

Education & Skills Funding Agency

Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator)

The Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) prepares learners to become Early Years Educators, enabling them to work with children from birth to 5 years and gain knowledge of children aged 5 to 7 years.

Funding

This course is fully funded (no cost) via the Adult Education Budget as part of the Government's National Skills Fund Free Level 3 qualifications opportunity – subject to meeting eligibility criteria.

Eligibility Criteria

To access this course via the Adult Education Budget you must;

- Be aged 19 or above on 31st August within the academic year
- Live in England
- Have lived within the EU for a minimum of 3 years
- Not have already completed the qualification
- Not be on any other funded training (e.g. apprenticeship)
- Reside in an area where AEB funding support is available we will help you ascertain this by

And either,

- be unemployed OR
- earn under the national living wage (i.e. earn less than £18,525 annual gross salary) OR
- earn above the national living wage, but do not already hold a full Level 3* or equivalent qualification or higher





Main Qualification Structure

The apprentice must achieve a minimum of 61 credits, 46 of these must be at level 3 or above. The apprentice must achieve 46 credits from the mandatory units and a minimum of 18 credits from the optional units.

Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Level Method	Credit	GLH
Support healthy lifestyles for children through the provision of food and nutrition	2	2	20
Support healthy lifestyles for children through exercise	2	1	8
Support physical care routines for children	2	2	15
Promote children's emotional well-being	3	2	14
Understand how to support children who are unwell	3	2	19
Understand legislation relating to the safeguarding, protection and welfare of children	3	3	21
Use legislation relating to the health and safety of children	3	2	20
Follow legislation relating to equality, diversity and inclusive practice	3	3	21
Working in partnership	3	2	15

Optional Units

Unit Title	Level Method	Credit	GLH
Engage in professional development	3	2	15
Understand the value of play in Early Years	3	2	20
Plan, lead and review play opportunities which support children's learning and development	3	3	22
Promote enabling play environments	3	2	16
Developing children's emergent literacy skills	3	3	25
Developing children's emergent mathematical skills	3	4	34
Support children's transition to school	3	2	17
Develop children's cognitive skills	3	2	20
Promote children's speech, language and communication	3	3	21
Promoting children's physical development	3	2	19
Promoting children's personal, social and emotional development	3	3	23
Support children with additional needs	3	4	30
Use observation, assessment and planning to promote the development of children	3	5	37
Use longitudinal studies to observe, assess and plan for children's needs	3	5	34

Duration

Typically this Diploma will take 7 months to complete.

Progression

Upon achievement of this qualification, it is intended that learners will be able to enter the workforce as Early Years Educators.

Learners can progress to the Level 3 ILM in leadership and management depending on the context in which they work. Learners can progress into employment in any early years setting including foundation stage within a school.

Job roles learners may progress into include:

- practitioner in Day Nurseries and Nursery Schools
- practitioner in Reception classes in primary schools
- · pre-school worker

Qualifications

The qualification will be assessed using a range of methods. This could include direct observation in the workplace, a portfolio of evidence, written assignments or a task.

Level

This is a Level 3 Diploma.

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