

# Childcare and Teacher Training

## Early Years Educator Level 3 Apprenticeship

### In Brief

#### Start Date / Duration

This course can start at various times during the year. This qualification will take up to 24 months to complete.

#### Entry Requirements

- Learners will need to be at least 16 years of age. Some settings require you to have a suitable Level 2 qualification in Health and Social Care or Childcare and four GCSEs at grade C/4 plus GCSE English at grade 4 or above
- Apprentices without Level 2 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to taking their end point assessment
- You will need to find an employer to employ you as an apprentice.
- Please see our **Apprenticeship vacancies**. <https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/our-departments/apprenticeships/apprenticeship-vacancies/>
- As your programme may involve working with children, you will be required to undertake a satisfactory Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) check

#### You will achieve

You will achieve a Cache Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator) QCF

### Course Overview

Early Years Educators, nursery nurses, and childminders support children's learning, development, health, and safety from birth to age 5. They work in diverse settings such as nurseries, preschools, children's centres, reception classes, and as childminders.

The apprenticeship includes completing a Level 3 Award in Paediatric First Aid or Emergency Paediatric First Aid to meet EYFS standards.

For more information about this apprenticeship, visit the Apprenticeship Standards website [<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/early-years-educator/>] .

### What does an Early Years Educator do?

- Plans and supervises activities based on each child's needs and interests
- Supports numeracy and language development through games and play
- Ensures each child feels safe and secure
- Observes and tailors learning experiences for each child
- Meets care needs like feeding, changing nappies, and administering medicine
- Collaborates with colleagues, parents, carers, and professionals to meet each child's needs

## **Course Content**

### **How will I be assessed?**

You will be assessed using a portfolio of evidence, observations in the workplace and assignments. You will be assessed both in college and in your place of work.

### **What Equipment Will I Need?**

You will be required to provide pens and paper or computer.

### **Where will I study?**

You will study within the workplace and attend classes at Barnsley College, Old Mill Lane Campus, Church Street, Barnsley, S70 2YW.

### **What can I do next?**

With additional experience, an Early Years Educator can become the Manager of an Early Years setting.

### **How much does the course cost?**

There is no cost to being an Apprentice. All costs associated with your apprenticeship, including the cost of training and your salary, will be paid by your employer.

## **Financial support**

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on 01226 216 267.

## Extra information

### Contact the Apprenticeship Team

For further information please contact the team on 01226 216 166 or email: [apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk) [mailto:apprenticeships@barnsley.ac.uk]

### Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and Honeywell Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>].

### Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Call 01226 216 769 for further information.

### English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't hold a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths, you will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards achieving a higher grade in English and Maths, we can help you do that too and we offer Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths) which can be added to your study programme.

If you're aged 19 or above and don't hold a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths we can help. We offer FREE English and Maths qualifications that can be studied on a part-time basis, subject to eligibility.

If you need any further information, please contact our Information Team by calling 01226 216 123 or emailing [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

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