

NCFE CACHE Level 2 Technical Occupational Entry for the Early Years Practitioner (Diploma)

Course Code: CH5TQEYPC2

Level: 2

Type: Part Time

01/08/2026 - 31/07/2027 (Flexible)

09:30 - 12:30

12 Month(s)

Cambridge Campus

2149.6 (Funded Course)

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About the course

This course is designed for learners working in, or volunteering in an Early Years setting.

The aim of this qualification is to provide learners with the knowledge and understanding of babies and young children from birth to 7 years of age with applied knowledge in the early years, 0-5 years. The qualification content meets the Department for Education's (DfE) Level 2 full and relevant criteria for a Level 2 Early Years Practitioner in the workforce.

To gain this qualification, learners must achieve a total of 37 credits from all 14 mandatory units.

Progression and career opportunities

This qualification allows progression on to the Level 3 Early Years Educator qualifications and other relevant Level 3 qualifications relating to early years and childcare.

This qualification allows a learner to count towards the Level 2 ratio as a qualified Level 2 Early Years Practitioner across the Early Years Workforce.

Learners may work under supervision in a variety of roles such as:
Nursery practitioner
Classroom assistant
Pre-school practitioner

Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification but should be at least 19 years of age with a general secondary education and an interest in the subject and working in the early years sector.

There are no specific recommended prior learning requirements for this qualification.

Learners must be in the correct job/volunteering role to provide the relevant evidence for a portfolio of work, to show competence in both knowledge and skills to meet the qualification requirements.

You must allow for skills application with babies and young children sufficient to meet the assessment criteria for the qualification.

Assessment

We want you to achieve to the very best of your ability at Cambridge Regional College. To make this happen we offer both learning and personal support by specialist staff tailored to meet your specific needs.
You will be assessed by a vocationally competent assessor who will support and help you gather a portfolio of evidence, using a range of methods.

This programme is delivered on site at our Cambridge campus to support the knowledge for the qualification with practical observations carried out in the workplace. All resources will be available on our virtual learning environment (VLE) system and we use an electronic portfolio system called Smart Assessor.

Finance and Funding

Up To and Including Level 2 Funding

This course is fully funded, free, for learners who are aged 19 and above and earn below £25,000, or below £30,491 and live in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority area.

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