

#### Interested?

• Talk to your high school counselor

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# **Early Education**

Early childhood education is rapidly developing as more information presents the importance of brain development in babies and young children. Gain experience and explore best practices for teaching developmental skills to young learners.

#### **Core Skills**

- Human growth and development
- Child safety
- Child advocacy
- Development of age-appropriate activities and lesson planning

#### **Future Career Options**

- Early childhood teacher
- Counselor/social worker
- Child advocate
- Child provider/center director
- Special education teacher

Teamwork/employability

Communication skills

Speech pathologist

Work experience

Early childhood psychologist

# **Certifications/Academic Credit**

- English and/or math credit
- Postsecondary articulated credit
- VPAA elective credit

- CPR and first aid certificate
- Safe Schools training

# **Setting Students up for Success**

Making connections with guest speakers, field trips, and taking advantage of job shadows, co-op and work experiences give students a head start in the field of early childhood education.

# **Leadership & Scholarship Opportunities**

Club participation, competition and leadership can occur with FCCLA, Skills USA, community volunteering, National Technical Honor Society and CTC Student Council.

#### **21 Career & Technical Programs**

Agriscience

Auto Repair

**Business Careers** 

Collision Repair

Construction Trades

Culinary Arts

Early Education

**Electrical Occupations** 

Engineering Academy

Film & New Media

Graphic Arts

Health Sciences

Information Technology

Power Equipment

Precision Machining

Public Safety

Robotics & Automation

Teacher Academy

Web & App Development

Welding

Writers Studio

# **Student Support & Guidance**

- Career Tech staff teach and reinforce positive work ethic in all students.
- Attendance and academic progress is monitored to guide students toward individual growth and career planning that will establish a pathway to a meaningful life.
- Seminars are provided on college planning, financial aid and scholarship opportunities.

#### **Job Training & Experience**

Career Tech programs offer all students a chance to:

- Gain hands-on training
- Use state-of-the-art technology
- Demonstrate leadership, workplace readiness and ethics
- Participate in internships, job shadows, work experience, or paid co-op experience