



WESTERN COLORADO
COMMUNITY COLLEGE
A Division of Colorado Mesa University

Apprenticeship - Early Childhood Educator

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Overview

- **Early Childhood Educator - Apprenticeship**
 - **2,000 experience hours**
 - **190 Hours**
 - **College Courses**
 - **Credit for Prior Learning**
 - **Foundation - Teacher Ed Student Teaching BA**
- **College Degree + Experience**
- **Grow Future ECE Leaders**
- **Recruit Earlier and Retain Longer**

Apprentices

- **High School**
 - **Technical Scholars/Concurrent - Jr/Sr**
 - **Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-Tech) - Need Recommendation**
 - **School District Partner**
 - **Pre-Apprenticeship Career Center - 9th/10th grade**
- **Adults**
 - **Traditional/Non-Traditional**
- **Diversity - First Generation/Ethnicity/Gender/+**

Foundation

- **Courses**
 - **Theory linked to Hands On Experiences**
 - **Faculty trained Quality Evaluation Tools**
- **Teacher Ed Student Teaching -**
 - **Mentor/Coaching Training and Supports**
- **Workforce Partners**
 - **Funding Stipends - Hire, Materials, Substitutes, Mentors**

Service Area

Western Slope

- **High Schools Mesa and Montrose County**
- **Adults - Anyone attending CMU/WCCC**

Strategic Plan-High School

- **Tech Scholar - Jr/Sr - Cohort Model**
 - **Year 1 - Earn Assistant Teacher Technical Certificate**
 - **180 College Hours = 12 credits**
 - **60 Hours Experience**
 - **120 Hours Training towards National Child Development Associate Certification**
 - **Placement Assistance - Summer**
 - **Career Lattice**

Strategic Plan - High School

- **Tech Scholar - Sr - Cohort Model**
 - **Year 2 - Earn Teacher Technical Certificate**
 - **195 College hours = 13 credits**
 - **60+ Hours Experience**
 - **Completion of Portfolio for National Child Development Associate Certification**
- **Two Year Students - with Additional Credits**
 - **6 Credits > Director Tech Certificate**
 - **35 Credits > Assoc Applied Sciences EDEC**

Strategic Plan - P-Tech & Adult

- **P-Tech - High School**
 - **Coursework - Extended Time**
 - **Proceed through Stackable Degrees - Assistant Teacher, Teacher, Director Certificate, AAS degree**
- **Adults**
 - **New or Employed**
 - **Value Life Experiences - CPL**
 - **Career Lattice**
 - **Potential to Complete Teacher/Director Certificate in 12 Months**

Partners in the Community

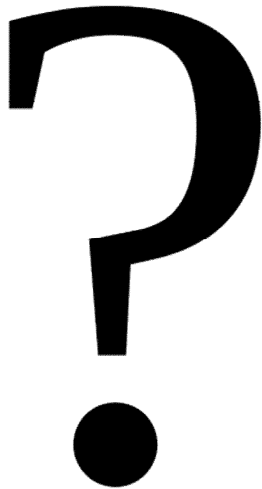
Workforce Partners

- **School Districts, CO Preschool Program, Universal Preschool, Head Start**
- **Private Facilities, Family Home Care Providers**

Wrap-Around Supports

- **Workforce Center, Hilltop, CMU/WCCC, MindSprings, Public Health**

Questions



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