Specialized Education & Training

are reflected on the educator's registry record and can be added to any of the designations (ECE, ASE, I, II, III).

Specialization

Articulating credentials to college credits is subject to institutional review but may occur at any level along the pathway.

Specializations

Foundation (formerly Tier 1)

Complete one of these:

Child Care Facility

(DCF Part I and II) courses and 5 clock hours of approved Early Literacy and Language Development or Emergent Literacy for VPK Instructors

Family Child Care Homes

(DCF Family Child Care Home Training and 5 clock hours of approved Early Literacy and Language Development or Emergent Literacy for VPK Instructors)

School-Age

(DCF Part I and II courses)

Introductory Child Care Training

(DEL Approved)

(formerly Tier 4)

ECE II/ASE II

Associate degree with at

least 21 Early Childhood

Early Education or Youth

Development credits from

accredited institutions.

US Department of Education

Associate degree or higher in field*

Education/Child Development,

Achieve:

(formerly Tier 2)

ECE I/ASE I

Attain Florida Staff Credential by completing one of the following:

National Early Childhood Credential (includes National Child Development Associate - CDA)

Formal Educational Qualification

Birth through Five Child Care Credential (FCCPC, ECPC or CACC)

School-Age Child Care Credential (FCCPC or SAPC) **ECE III/ASE III** (formerly Tier 5)

Achieve:

Bachelor's degree or higher in field*

Bachelor's degree with at least 36 Early Childhood Education/Child Development, Family and Child Sciences, Elementary Education or Youth Development credits from US Department of Education accredited institutions.

*Degrees/coursework in areas outlined for DCF Florida Staff Credential will be considered in field.

Designations

• Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards approved training

• Florida Core Competencies for Early Childhood Educators approved training

• Trauma Informed Care for Child Care Professionals (TICC) Training

ECE = Early Childhood Educator ASE = Afterschool Educator

CORE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS Required to Earn Registry Designations