



(CHD) - Child Development Basic Certificate

We advise CTE dual enrollment students in the shortest credential options within an AAS degree. We do this because they are the shortest credit hour options and allow students the greatest chance of completing a credential before they graduate high school. All courses in the short certificate and advanced certificate options are counted towards an AAS degree within the career program.

Special Details for DE students in the CHD Career Program:

Students are required to complete a minimum of 20 field experience hours for each class within the basic certificate. Field experience is defined as observation of children ages 0-5 in a pre-k facility. It is recommended that students observe children in a licensed pre-k facility.

Field hours are tracked through the student’s field work journal. The student is responsible for coordinating and scheduling observations. It is recommended to schedule observations in the morning hours. Students will be required to have a background check which may incur a fee. The CTE scholarship will reimburse the student for the background check fee.

CHD courses are offered in an online format.

Academic Course Pairing Option: English (ENG 101 & ENG 102) can be covered under the CTE scholarship. For scholarship coverage, students **must** take the English course and a CTE course in the same semester.

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Course	Prerequisite	Title	Semester Hours
*CHD 100	None	Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children	3
CHD 204	None	Methods and Materials for Teaching	3
CHD 209	None	Infant and Toddler Programs	3
*CHD 206	Current First Aid Certificate	Children’s Health and Safety	3
**Eligible to take ENG 101			
Total Credit Hours			12

*Additional CDA credential requirements are the responsibility of the student.

For ENG 101 eligibility, submit official ACT scores to Jefferson State showing an English sub test score of 18 or higher **OR score 05 or higher on the Accuplacer WritePlacer exam administered through the Jefferson State testing center.

Please reference the Jefferson State Course Catalog for additional information [Catalogs - Jefferson State Community College](#)