

COMPETENCY PROFILE

STARS: BASICS IN CHILDCARE

WCC: ECE 104 (2 Credits)

Course provides students with an understanding of the basic core knowledge needed for working in a child care center.



CHILD GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Demonstrate knowledge of age and culturally appropriate expectations.
- Demonstrate knowledge that children learn through play and active involvement in their environment.
- Demonstrate knowledge of planning activities based on the needs of children.

CHILD GUIDANCE

- Understand the importance of and demonstrate the ability to use positive communication skills.
- Demonstrate knowledge of how the use of positive communication skills influences a child's behavior.
- Understand the relationship between a child's age-appropriate behavior and adult expectations.
- Demonstrate techniques that promote positive behaviors in children.
- Demonstrate knowledge of factors which may influence a child's behavior.
- Identify culturally relevant community resources to assist in working with a child who exhibits challenging behavior.
- Demonstrate knowledge of conflict resolution.

HEALTH

- Show proper hand washing, appropriate diapering/toilet procedures and routine disinfecting of toys/equipment to help prevent the spread of communicable disease.
- Demonstrate an understanding of proper food handling procedures.
- Demonstrate knowledge of state licensing regulations to medication management.
- List five community resources for children with special needs.

SAFETY

- Demonstrate knowledge of child abuse indicators and mandatory reporting procedures.
- Demonstrate knowledge of safety procedures and accident prevention.

PROFESSIONALISM

- Demonstrate an understanding of licensing standards.
- Demonstrate an understanding of working with parents and partners.
- Demonstrate an understanding of professionalism as it relates to the early childhood field.

College Textbooks:

 Child Care Center Licensing Guidebook, Second Edition; Washington State Department of Early Learning, 10/2006

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