

Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate Programs

The Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate is a credential for teachers that are working in early learning centers. This certificate enables early learning center teachers to be recognized for the professional training they have completed, as well as provide access to valuable resources such as the [School Readiness Tax Credits](#).

Beginning July 1, 2019, all lead teachers in Type III early learning centers must obtain an Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate within 24 months of their starting date at the center. Additional information can be found in the [Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate FAQs](#).

The following teacher preparation programs have been approved by the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) to offer coursework as an approved Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate Program:

Program	Program Contact	Program Phone	Program Email	Region	Type	Duration of Program
APTR UL Lafayette Department of Continuing Education	Dr. Martha Bryant	337-482-6386	Martha.bryant@louisiana.edu	Southwest Region	Blended: Classroom and Online Instruction	11 months
At the Heart of Teaching, Learning, & Leadership	Melissa Williamson	(210)464-6485	melissaattheheart@gmail.com	Central, Southwest, and Southeast Regions	Online Coursework	6 months
AVZ Health Place	Vanice Zenon	985-768-8556	vanicezenon@gmail.com	Southeast Region	Blended	5 months
Baton Rouge Community College	Natasha Whitton	225-216-8091	whittonn@mybrcc.edu	Southeast Region	Online	9 months
Career Training Group	Niki Da'Jon	(504)-236-7377	careertraininggroupla@gmail.com	Southeast Regions	Online Coursework	6 months

Children's Coalition Institute	Earnestine Dunn	318-323-8775	edunn@childrenscoalition.org	Central and Northern Region	Blended: Classroom and Online Coursework	7 months
CLL Cornerstones	Gabby Izzo	928-671-0479	Liza@mycll.org	Southeast and Southwest Regions	Online Coursework with Field-Based Coaching	10 months
C3 Lab School	Joy Mitchell	504-301-7737	cplanola@outlook.com	Southeast Region	Blended: Classroom and Online Coursework	6 months
Children's First Professional Development Center	Falicia Coleman	337-965-0424	faliciachildrenfirst@aol.com	Southwest Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	11 months
Delgado Community College	Lisa Melson	504-671-6535	lmelso@dcc.edu	Southeast Region	Classroom Instruction	12 months
Early Learning Louisiana University of Florida Lastinger Center	Karen Molinario	786-897-7567	Karen.molinario@coe.ufl.edu	Northern and Southeast Region	Online Coursework	11 months
Elite Teachers University	Precious Acker	504-612-6260	eliteteachersinstitute@gmail.com	Southeast Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction	6 months

					and Online Coursework	
Fletcher Technical Community College	Beth Melancon	985-438-7972	Beth.melancon@fletcher.edu	Southeast and Central Region	Blended: Classroom and Online Coursework	4 semesters
Franklinton Child Enrichment Ancillary Certificate Program	Anita Redding	985-515-1996	fceccda@yahoo.com	Southeast	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	6 months
Frog Street Press	Mark Jasso	713-894-3066	mJasso@frogstreet.com	Central, Southwest, and Southeast Regions	Online Coursework	6 months
Jefferson Parish Early Childhood Collaborative	Julie Paley	504-250-6843	eccda@jpschools.org julie.paley@jpschools.org	Southeast Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	9 months
LSU Early Childhood Education Institute	Gracyn Austin Cynthia F. DiCarlo	225-578-7882 225-578-7005	ecac@lsu.edu cdicar2@lsu.edu	Central and Southeast region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	6 months
LSU-Alexandria	Susan Myrick and Cindy Rushing	318-442-8891 or 318-451-4768	smyrick@lsua.edu or cindy.rushing@rpsb.us	Central Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction	10 months

					and Online Coursework	
Northshore Technical College	Arlendra Zenon	985-545-1412	arlendrazenon@northshorecollege.edu	Southeast Region	Classroom Instruction	9 months
NSU Early Childhood Gateway: A Path to CDA and the Ancillary Certificate Program	Melanie Albarado and Kimberly Duncan	318-677-3176 or 318-677-3153	albaradom@nsula.edu duncank@nsula.edu	Central and Northern Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	11 months
Nunez Community College	Kathleen Huff	504-278-6288	khuff@nunez.edu	Southeast Region	Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	9 months
On Track by 5 Alliance Ancillary Certificate Program	Shannon Bernard	337-521-7134	sptbernard@lpsonline.com	Southwest Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	11 months
Success by Six of St. Charles Parish	Dr. Tamanika Odinga	985-785-3173	todinga@stcharles.k12.la.us	Southeast Region River Parishes	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	10 months
Southern University of Shreveport	Priscilla Metoyer Dr. Terence Vinson Dr. Lonnie McCray	318-670-9328 (Dr. Vinson) or 318-670-9363 (Dr. McCray)	pmetoyer-mccs@att.net tvinson@susla.edu lmccray@susla.edu	Northwest Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	9 months

Southern University and A & M College	Tonya Rose Natalie Chesser	225-771-3469 225-771-4678	Tonya_Rose@subr.edu Natalie_Chesser@subr.edu	Southeast Region	Blended: Classroom Instruction and Online Coursework	11 months
Southern University of New Orleans	Sherry Bachus Dr. Willie Jones	504-286-5334 504-284-5520	sbachus@suno.edu wijones@suno.edu	Southeast Region	Online Coursework	11 months
Teacher Institute-Volunteers of America	Angell Floyd	225-926-8005	teacherinstitute@voagbr.org	Southeast Region	Classroom Instruction	9 months
Unitech Training Academy (Offering Early Childhood Development Technical Diploma)	Katherine Stelly Katie Picoy	337-988-4042	kstelly@unitechta.edu kpico@unitechta.edu	Central, Southeast, and Southwest Regions	Blended: Classroom and Online Instruction	8 months

- Individuals who receive admission to an approved Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate Program may be eligible to use Louisiana Pathways Scholarships to assist with the cost of tuition.
- Frequently asked questions regarding the Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate can be found [here](#).

Approved Early Childhood Jump Start Pathways: The following high schools have been approved as Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate Programs. They are able to offer approved coursework to high school students enrolled in the school.

Program	Program Contact	Program Phone	Program Email	Region
Bossier Parish School of Innovation and Technology	Becky Trammel	318-759-2916	Becky.trammel@bossierschools.org	Northern Region
Rapides Parish Career and Technical Education Program (CTEP)	Alisha Ferrington	318-449-3198	Alisha-Ferrington@rpsb.us	Central Region

Programs no longer offering coursework in Louisiana

Program	Program Contact	Program Phone	Program Email	Region	Type	Duration of Program
ProSolutions Training Blended Ancillary CDA Certificate Program	Cindy Davis	770-642-6722	cindydavis@caresolutions.com catreciabryan@prosolutions.com	Southeast Region	*Currently not offering coursework in Louisiana	12 months
LSU-Eunice	Angela Greaud	337-550-1323	abuchana@lsue.edu	Central and Southwest Regions	Online Coursework *Currently not offering coursework in Louisiana	7 months
Bright Horizons	Ashley Achord (Bright	985-230-6932	Ashley.Achord@brighthorizons.com	*Internal Only (Blended: Classroom	9 months

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	Horizons at North Oaks)			Bright Horizons employees)	and Online Coursework	
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