

# Accelerated Early Childhood Educator



As an **Early Childhood Educator**, you love to work with people, in particular, young children. You enjoy the challenge of teaching children from a variety of different learning backgrounds. Your focus of attention will be in teaching children between the ages of three to six years of age in a wide scope of settings.

In this program, students complete four credits towards an Early Childhood Educator Certificate of Apprenticeship by attending classes at Mohawk College every Tuesday and Thursday. Upon graduation, students are encouraged to continue their apprenticeship training at Mohawk College.

**Your  
Future  
Your  
Choice**



Hamilton-Wentworth  
Catholic Schools

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The Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board, The Ministry of Training, Colleges, and Universities (MTCU), Mohawk College (Fennell Campus), have partnered with local school boards to offer this opportunity for students who want to pursue a career as an Early Childhood Educator.

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## ***Career as an Early Childhood Educator***

To qualify, YOU must:

- Be at least 17 years of age and in your graduating year
- Be in your final semester of Grade 12 with a minimum of 26 credits
- Have an interest in working with young children
- Be in good academic standing, including completion of all compulsory courses required for your Ontario Secondary School Diploma
- Be willing to attend Mohawk College and a Cooperative Education placement in Semester one or two

A limited number of spaces are available.

Program components include:

- Pre-employment orientation and integration sessions at the home school
- A Cooperative Education placement in an early childhood setting
- Two days per week at Mohawk College to continue their apprenticeship
- In-school training

Program Credits/Certification:

- Earn four high school credits towards an Ontario Secondary School Diploma
- Earn college credits toward an Early Childhood Educator Certificate of Apprenticeship

A Guidance Counsellor or Cooperative Education teacher must help you to complete an application form for the Accelerated Program and submit all required documents.

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This program combines instruction in high school and at Mohawk College and provides a Cooperative Education placement working with children. It is offered in Semester one or two and is open to students in their graduating year with a minimum of 26 credits.