

MENOBAMOOZHEWAAD

Those who care for children well.

INDIGENOUS EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

Our Early Childhood Education Indigenous Certificate at Leech Lake Tribal College combines a foundation of principles of child development with Indigenous focused coursework creating a pathway for students to prepare students to provide Anishinaabe culturally informed care that will be beneficial for all children and families.

This certificate serves as a licensing credential for employment in early childhood settings, much like a Child Development Associate. Students completing the Indigenous Early Childhood Credential will be prepared with early childhood foundational courses, Ojibwe language and courses supporting Anishinaabe worldview and values. Our program provides each student with an opportunity to customize their educational background to fit their current needs and to further their education to an Advanced Indigenous Early Childhood Certificate or an Associate in Arts Degree.

Advancement Opportunity:

Students completing the certificate program will have an opportunity to continue their course work at LLTC towards an Advanced Indigenous Early Childhood Certificate or an Associate in Arts Degree.

Graduates will be able to:

- Identify how young children learn and develop.
- Recognize the History of Leech Lake and an Indigenous relationship to land.
- Read, write, understand, and speak basic Ojibwemowin.

Early Childhood Education careers may include:

- Childcare Center Director
- Family Childcare Provider
- Camp Counselor
- Paraprofessional Education
- Childcare Teacher
- Head Start Teacher
- School Age Child Care
- Classroom Assistant



Indigenous Early Childhood 2023-2025 Program of Study

General Education Courses: 4 credits		Cr.	Pre-Req	Term	CK
OJI 101	Speaking Ojibwe I	4		FA/SP	

Indigenous Early Childhood Program Requirements: 13 credits		Cr.	Pre-Req	Term	CK
ANI 120	Land and Water Pedagogies	3		Interm.	
ECE 180	Child Growth and Development	3		Fall	
ECE 297	Preschool Practicum	4		Interm.	
HIS 150	History of Leech Lake	3		FA/SP	

Indigenous Early Childhood Program Electives: 3 credits		Cr.	Pre-Req	Term	CK
ECE 201	The Exceptional Child: Children with Special Needs	3	ECE 180	Fall	
ECE 210	Creative Activities for Children	3	ECE 180	Fall	
ECE 220	Relations and Management in Child Development	3	ECE 180	Spring	
ECE 222	Infant and Toddler Development	3		Spring	
ECE 240	Children, Families & Community	3	ECE 220	Spring	

Additional Requirement: 1 credit		Cr.	Pre-Req	Term	CK
ECE 102	Trauma and Resilience Training	1		Interm.	

		Total=	21 Credits		
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Please note that some of the pre-req's may be completed based on competency.

