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Jefferson State follows equal opportunity admission policies and employment practices. College facilities are accessible to the handicapped.



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## CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



Early Childhood Associate Degree  
**naeyc**  
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## Welcome to the Early Care and Education Field

*The mission of Jefferson State's Child Development Department is to provide a quality, innovative program of study and to promote Child Development (Early Care and Education) as a professional field of study.*

Research continues to show the importance of the early years. Early learning experiences lay the foundation for life-long learning. Positive experiences are essential and will actually impact later educational and life successes.



Our NAEYC nationally accredited Child Development Program seeks to provide students a **quality**

education in preparation for reaching their goal of helping young children and families achieve a **quality** start.

With over 40 years of rich program history, Jefferson State's Child Development Program continues to seek ways to improve and better meet the ever-changing needs of this profession. Specialized degree tracks offered are: Educarer (teacher), Administrator (director/owner), and Afterschool.

Additional training opportunities, such as the annual Stepping Stones Conference, County-wide Directors Breakfasts and the Afterschool Summit are also offered annually.

We know education provides students greater potential for success; personally, professionally and financially. We invite you to become a part of our growing, dynamic, cutting-edge program.

## CHOOSE FROM **THREE** ASSOCIATE DEGREE TRACKS OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

### Educarer (Teacher) Degree Track

Preparing to teach in private and not-for-profit early care and education programs or in state pre-kindergarten 4 programs

### Administrative Degree Track

Preparing to become an administrator/director/owner of child care programs

### Afterschool Degree Track

Prepare to become a professional in before and after school programs or an aide in public school systems

**OR**

## COMPLETE THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) CREDENTIAL EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT

The Child Development Department provides the educational component of this credential awarded by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition. The CDA designated courses are also a part of the JSCC Child Development certificate and associate degree. For more specific CDA information, check the Child Development website at:

[www.jeffersonstate.edu/chd](http://www.jeffersonstate.edu/chd)  
and click on the **CDA Information**

*Note: Additional fees are paid to the Early Childhood Professional Recognition in Washington, DC for the Credential.*



## FINANCIAL AID/SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Scholarships for Teachers & Administrators of Licensed and Exempt Programs for Young Children:

T.E.A.C.H. Scholarship (licensed programs only)  
334-271-0304

Leadership Scholarship (Licensed and Exempt programs)  
334-293-4552

**Or**

Visit Jefferson State's Child Development Web Page at [www.jeffersonstate.edu/chid](http://www.jeffersonstate.edu/chid) and click on

[T.E.A.C.H. Scholarship](#) or  
[LEADERSHIP Scholarship](#)

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Federal, State, and Local Financial Aid and Scholarships: **Contact:**

Jefferson State Community College  
Office of Financial Aid  
205-856-8509

**Or**

Visit [Jefferson State's Web Site](http://Jefferson State's Web Site)

[www.jeffersonstate.edu](http://www.jeffersonstate.edu)  
Click on Future Students then  
Click on Financial Aid

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**Program**  
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