



Child Development Career Technical Training Area

Retail Sales and Services Career Pathway Child Development

The Job Corps Child Development career training program takes 8 to 12 months to complete and requires training in the following subject areas:

- Ways to set up a safe, healthy environment to promote learning
- Steps to advance children's physical and intellectual competence
- Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development
- Establishing productive relationships with families
- Introduction to the early childhood profession
- How children grow and learn

Credentials:

All Job Corps training programs are aligned with industry credentials.

Eligibility requirements:

Before completing a Child Development training program, students should:

- Have the basic math and reading skills necessary to perform the job.
- Complete the core curriculum and pass all written and performance tests.
- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent.

- Have completed a formal training program of at least 120 clock hours of child care education.
- Have 480 hours of experience working with children in the past five years.

*The last requirement can be spread out, but it is anticipated that most Job Corps students who become certification candidates will begin to fulfill work experience qualifications while in the Job Corps Child Development training program.

Average length of training:

8 to 12 months

The salary range for various careers in Child Development is:

\$20,000 to \$26,000/year

THE BENEFITS OF JOB CORPS

Hands-on training and internships • Housing, meals, and basic medical care • Earn while you learn: Biweekly living allowance • Administered by the U.S. Dept. of Labor

What is Job Corps?

- **A residential career training program**
- **Your path to a career in a high-growth industry**
- **A place to earn your high school diploma or GED**
- **Career counseling and support after graduation**



Career Technical Training programs vary at different Job Corps centers.

Administered by the U.S. Department of Labor, Job Corps is the nation's largest career technical training and education program for low-income students ages 16 through 24. Job Corps is a U.S. Department of Labor Equal Opportunity Employer Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. TDD/TTY telephone number is (877) 889-5627.