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2025-2026 Directory of Early Childhood Programs in Community Colleges in MISSOURI

Missouri State University – West Plains

College Website: www.wp.missouristate.edu NAEYC accredited: No

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Early Childhood Education Degree Programs:

<https://wp.missouristate.edu/academics/child-and-family-development-degree-info.htm>

Early Childhood Education – Basic Child & Family Development Certificate of Proficiency

(12 early childhood credit hours, 12 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Advanced Child & Family Development Technical Certificate

(25 early childhood credit hours, 25 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Associate of Applied Science in Child & Family Development

(40 early childhood credit hours, 60 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Associate of Arts in Child & Family Development

(12 early childhood credit hours, 60 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT)

(20 early childhood credit hours, 60 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Bachelor of Science in Child & Family Development

(71 early childhood credit hours, 111 total credit hours)

Early Childhood Education – Master of Early Childhood & Family Development

(99 early childhood credit hours, 121 total credit hours)

Useful Links:

Admissions: <https://wp.missouristate.edu/admissions/>

Tuition/Fees: <https://wp.missouristate.edu/Costs/default.htm>

Satellite Campuses:

Colleges/Universities with transfer agreements:

The purpose of this directory is to assist Missouri child care educators in selecting a college and degree path that best fits their needs. This information is provided to the best of our knowledge from the college's website and staff. TEACH Missouri is not a college affiliated program. TEACH Missouri is a scholarship for early childhood educators employed in Missouri child care programs.

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