Highfield Level 3
End-Point Assessment
for ST0135 Early Years
Educator v1.2



Government funding band – £6,000



On-programme duration – typically 18 months



Gateway requirements – level 2 English and maths (optional for 19+, please see funding rules), early years educator qualification (level 3), First Aid qualification in line with the requirements of the EYFS Framework and completion of a portfolio of evidence



End-point assessment method – a knowledge test and a professional discussion underpinned by portfolio

Working as an Early Years Educator

Early Years Educators are highly trained professionals who play a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe. They work in a range of settings including full day care, children's centres, pre schools, reception classes and as childminders. They may either be working on their own or supervising others to deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) requirements set by Government for the learning, development and care of children from birth to 5 years old.

The programme's structure

Your apprentice will be placed in a role, typically for 18 months, during which they will be supported while on-programme by their tutor. Their tutor will review the progress of the apprentice against the standard to ensure they are prepared for the end-point assessment.



Your apprentice's journey



Ready for training

- Initial assessment
- English and maths training (optional for 19+, please see funding
- On-programme training to meet the requirements of the standard
- Gateway readiness self-assessment



Set for assessment

End-point assessment methods are:

Multiple-choice test

A 60-minute multiple-choice test consisting of 35 questions

Professional discussion underpinned by a portfolio:

- A 90-minute professional discussion
- Portfolio of evidence submitted at gateway which is not directly assessed



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On completion of the apprenticeship, apprentices may wish to progress into other roles in the education industry, such as nursery nurses or childminders. Learners will be able to work within setting including: full day care centres, children's centres, pre-schools and reception classes.

With additional experience, an early years educator can become the manager of an early years setting.

Available support

On-programme support

- Delivery resources
- Tutor support resource

End-point assessment support

- Gateway and mock assessments
- Bespoke end-point assessment solutions
- Progression tracking system
- Staff training, standardisation and support



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