

Memo



To: Dr. Karla Guseman
From: Dianne McDonald
Date: May 19, 2026
Re: Course Revision-Early Childhood Education

I respectfully recommend the revision of Early Childhood Education, a year-long unweighted course, into two semester courses for the 2027-2028 school year:

- Early Childhood Education 1, semester-long, dual credit weighted class
- Early Childhood Education 2, semester-long, unweighted class

The revision of the Early Childhood Education pathway transitions the program from a traditional year-long format into two specialized semester courses: Early Childhood Education 1 and Early Childhood Education 2. This restructuring is designed to provide a more rigorous and scaffolded approach to professional teacher preparation. Additionally, this modular format allows for greater scheduling flexibility while ensuring that students who complete the full sequence are better prepared for industry-standard certifications and collegiate-level education programs.

This course revision has been discussed and approved at the Curriculum Coordinating Council.

Thank you and please let me know if you have further questions.