SD Early Childhood Professional Development

SD Universities Out of State Universities

Colleges and Technical Colleges

SD Early Childhood Enrichment Centers

SD Universities

Augustana University (AU) Sioux Falls, SD

➢ [Children and Youth Minor](#)

Black Hills State University (BHSU) Spearfish, SD

➢ [Early Childhood Special Education Major and/or Minor](#)

Northern State University (NSU) Aberdeen, SD

➢ [Early Childhood Education Associate Degree](#)

Sinte Gleska University (SGU) Mission, SD

➢ [Bachelor of Science Degree - K-8 Elementary Education/Early Childhood](#)

➢ [Associates of Arts Degree - Early Childhood](#)

South Dakota State University (SDSU) Brookings, SD

➢ [Early Childhood Education - Birth to Grade 3 (B.S.)](#)

➢ [Early Childhood Education Minor (also available online)](#)

University of South Dakota (USD) Vermillion, SD

➢ [Elementary Education & Early Childhood (B.S.Ed.)](#) - [View Curriculum](#)

➢ [Child/Adolescent Development Minor](#)

Colorado State University

➢ Online Human Development & Family Studies Degree | CSU Online

University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

➢ Early Childhood Education, BA | Online Program | UCCS

Montana Western University

➢ Early Childhood Education | University of Montana Western

University of Nebraska – Lincoln

➢ Early Childhood Education in a Mobile Society Option | Child, Youth and Family Studies

Iowa State University

➢ Early Childcare Education and Programming

Winona State University – Minnesota

➢ Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 3)

Southwest Minnesota State University

➢ BS in Early Childhood Education (ECE) Online Degree - SMSU

Universities from other states that offer online options

University of Wisconsin – Stout

➢ [B.S. Early Childhood Education](#)

Mayville State University – North Dakota

➢ [B.A. in Early Childhood](#)

Walden University

➢ [BS in Early Childhood Studies](#)

Kansas State University

➢ [Early Childhood Education Degree](#)

University of Missouri – Mizzou Online

➢ [Early Childhood Education in a Mobile Society](#)

Universities from other states that offer online options

Colleges and Technical Colleges

Lake Area Technical Institute (LATC) Watertown, SD

➢ [Child Care Technician](#)

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) Kyle, SD

➢ [Bachelors in Early Childhood](#)
➢ [Associates in Early Childhood](#)

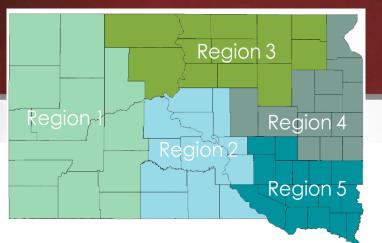**Sisseton Wahpeton College (SWC) Agency Village, SD**

➢ [Early Childhood Development (Associate of Arts)](#)

Sitting Bull College McLaughlin and Mobridge, SD

➢ [Early Childhood Education (B.S.) Teaching and Non-Teaching](#)
➢ [Early Childhood (Associate of Science)](#)
➢ [Curriculum and Instruction - Master of Education](#)

Southeast Technical College (ST) Sioux Falls, SD

➢ [Early Childhood Specialist (Associate Degree Program)](#)

South Dakota Core Knowledge and Competencies (CKCs):

The South Dakota Core Knowledge and Competencies (CKCs) outline essential knowledge, skills, values, and dispositions that all early childhood and school-age educators should demonstrate to support children's development, learning, and well-being. Regardless of an individual's professional status or background, the CKCs provide a framework to help educators assess their competency, set personal development goals, and work toward continuous improvement.

South Dakota Pathways to Professional Development:

Pathways is a comprehensive tool designed to elevate the quality of care in early childhood and school-age settings. It provides professionals with a guide for their growth and development in the field. By using Pathways, educators can explore options for professional growth, pursue continuing education opportunities, and be formally recognized for their commitment to advancing knowledge and competencies.
Pathways supports professionals working with children from birth through age 12 and is essential for those dedicated to improving care standards across South Dakota.

Region 1: Early Childhood Connections

Region 2: The Right Turn

Region 3: CHILD Services - Sanford Health

Region 4: Child and Family Resource Network

Region 5: CHILD Services | Sanford Health

SD ECE Training Calendars

Child Development Associate (CDA)