



Becoming an Early Childhood Educator Has Never Been Easier

Early Childhood Educators (ECEs) play an important role in helping children learn and grow. Upgrading your classification from a Child Care Assistant to an Early Childhood Educator II can provide you with more career opportunities and higher wages.

Flexible Training Options

Several Manitoba post-secondary institutions offer recognized Early Childhood Educator II programs. Many full-time ECE II programs lead to a diploma within 24 months or less, while some programs offer part-time options so you can work and complete training at the same time.

Tuition Reimbursement

A reimbursement of up to \$5,000 per school year is available for out-of-pocket tuition expenses at a recognized Manitoba ECE post-secondary program.

ECE II Assessment Programs

If you are currently working in the child care sector and have related education, or if you have experience in child care from another province or country, you may be eligible for this free program that supports participants to build a portfolio and demonstrate skills under the supervision and guidance of a peer advisor.

ECE II Training Options in Manitoba at a Glance*



Accelerated program



Workplace training



Online/hybrid training options



ECE III training options

Classrooms in:



Winnipeg



Brandon



Northern Manitoba



Rural areas

Assiniboine College       

Louis Riel Vocational College¹  

Manitoba Institute for Trades and Technology  

University College of the North    

Red River College Polytechnic     

Robertson College   

Université de Saint-Boniface²    

The University of Winnipeg³    

¹ Indigenous-based curriculum ² French language university

³ Allows for completion of a Bachelor of Arts degree

* These ECE II training options were last updated in September 2025 and are subject to change.
For current program information, visit manitoba.ca/childcarecareers or the post-secondary institution where the program is offered.



Make the next move in your child-care career.

Learn more about a career in early childhood education at
Manitoba.ca/childcarecareers.