Early Childhood Licensure

- To teach general education preschool, you must have the following:
  - Early childhood education endorsement

- To teach in a blended preschool classroom with both general education students and special education students and fulfill IEP minutes, you must have the following:
  - Early Childhood Education + the early childhood special education approval or
  - Early Childhood Special Education endorsement

- To teach Early Childhood special education self-contained classroom:
  - Early Childhood Education + the early childhood special education approval

  OR

  - LBSI (PK-21) + the early childhood special education approval

  OR

  - Early Childhood Special Education endorsement

- To teach in a Bilingual/Dual Language preschool classroom, you must have the following:
  - Early Childhood Education + Bilingual Endorsement in a target language spoken by 20 or more students in an attendance center

- To teach in an English as a Second Language (ESL) preschool classroom (required if an attendance center has 19 or less students who speak multiple languages), you must have the following
  - Early Childhood Education + ESL endorsement

  OR

  - Early Childhood Education + Bilingual endorsement
**Alternative Provisional Educator Licensure**

- Educator license with stipulations endorsed for alternative provisional education (ELS-APE) with an early childhood education endorsement or an educator license with stipulations endorsed for visiting international educator (ELS-VIT) with an early childhood education endorsement.

- Short-term approval for early childhood education
  - Approval added to the professional educator license that allows an educator to serve in an early childhood classroom for three years by either;
    - Passing the Early Childhood test
    - OR
    - Completing 9 semester hours in Early Childhood Education

- The educator is pursuing a professional educator license and holds any of the following:
  - An ECE Credential Level of 5 awarded by the Department of Human Services under the Gateways to Opportunity Program developed under Section 10-70 of the Department of Human Services Act.
  - An Educator License with Stipulations with a transitional bilingual educator endorsement and he or she has (i) passed an early childhood education content test or (ii) completed no less than 9 semester hours of postsecondary coursework in the area of early childhood education.