

Kansas Early Childhood Director Credential

Criteria

Candidates demonstrate competency by documenting their education, experience, and professional contributions. Coursework in early childhood education, child development, and leadership and management shall be documented by official transcripts with a minimum grade of C in all required credit hours.

Table 2 summarizes the criteria for the Kansas Early Childhood Director Credential. A more detailed explanation of the criteria follows the summary.

Table 2. Kansas Early Childhood Director Credential Criteria Summary

	Provisional Director Credential	Director Credential
General Education	Associates degree in any field	Baccalaureate degree in any field
Coursework in Early Childhood Education or Child Development	24 credit hours	30 credit hours
Coursework in Leadership and Management	Coursework that includes identified topic categories in either an approved block of 9 credit hours in early childhood program leadership and management OR 18 credit hours in general leadership and management	Coursework that covers specific content in either an approved block of 9 credit hours in early childhood program leadership and management OR 18 credit hours in early childhood program leadership and management and/or general leadership and management AND Additional professional development related to leadership and management
Experience	500 hours of paid or supervised teaching experience AND 1,000 hours of administrative experience	500 hours of paid or supervised teaching experience AND 3,600 hours of administrative experience
Professional Contributions	Membership in a state-approved professional association and documentation of 1 contribution in professional leadership, program improvement, or advocacy	Membership in a state-approved professional association AND documentation of 3 contributions from at least 2 of the following areas: professional leadership, program improvement, and advocacy

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