



DUAL ENROLLMENT ACADEMY

FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS



2026-27
ACADEMIC YEAR

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Downtown Milwaukee Campus

Pursue a career in child care or exceptional education settings for young children and have a positive impact on a child's life. Upon successful completion of this academy, students will earn the Child Care Services Technical Diploma and Preschool Certificate.

About

Dual Enrollment Academy (DEA) participants receive college-level training to begin careers in high-demand fields. Throughout their senior year, DEA students earn high school and college credits while spending the majority of their school day at MATC. The DEA is designed for students attending high schools within MATC's district.

Student Eligibility Requirements

- Be a 2026-27 high school senior
- Have a counselor recommendation
- Have a high school GPA of 2.0 or higher
- Be in good academic standing and on track to graduate from high school
- Have 90% attendance record in high school (exceptions made for illness)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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SEMESTER 1	MATC COURSES		CREDITS
	CHILDD 108	Early Language and Literac	3
	CHILDD 151	Infant and Toddler Development	3
	CHILDD 195	Family & Community Relationships	3
	CHILDD 174	Field Experience 1	3
	ENG-195	Written Communication	3

SEMESTER 2	MATC COURSES		CREDITS
	CHILDD 167	Health, Safety, and Nutrition	3
	CHILDD 179	Child Development	3
	CHILDD 188	Guiding Child Behavior	3
	CHILDD 148	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3
	ENG-196	Oral/Interpersonal Communication	3

TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS

30

All classes are held at MATC's West Allis and Downtown campus in the evening timeframe. Classes may change from face-to-face to virtual, hybrid and/or online. Program curriculum requirements are subject to change.



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Student Benefits

- High school seniors earn college credits and high school credits
- Students may earn an industry-recognized credential upon program completion
- Students attain an introduction to the college experience
- MATC offers virtual learning and hands-on experiences, and students benefit from their instructors' professional industry experience
- Credits earned through DEA can be applied to MATC programs in the future, which shortens the time and reduces the cost to complete a technical diploma or associate degree

Cost

Please contact your high school for parameters on tuition and books.

Tuition: \$5,405.48*

Books: \$111.35*

*2025-26 fees shown; 2026-27 fees may increase slightly. MATC's DEA Grant will cover all costs associated with the academy above the 18th credit.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PATHWAY

Infant/Toddler Badge

Take this step to further develop your options in a child care career. After completing this certificate, your credits can be applied toward earning the Child Care Services technical diploma and Early Childhood Education associate degree. **EARNED IN DEA**

Child Care Services Technical Diploma

Child development, nutrition, creative activities, and practical experience with young children are emphasized. Graduates work in child care centers, as well as serve as family child care providers. **EARNED IN DEA**

Early Childhood Education Associate Degree

Pursue a career in child care or exceptional education settings for young children and have a positive impact on a child's life. Program requirements include the completion of four practicum experiences. This degree transfers to all four year institutions for a degree in Early Childhood Education (i.e. kindergarten teacher). **REMAINING CREDITS: 36**



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