

Subject:	Child Development
Level:	Level 1 / 2 Cambridge National Certificate in Child Development Code J809
Awarding Body:	OCR
Awarding Body website:	OCR.org.uk
ASSESSMENT:	Examination in year 11 worth 40% of the total grade Two NEA units worth 30% each of the total grade
NEA units	2 units worth 60% of total grade
When will it be taken?	Ongoing throughout the course
Examination %:	40%
When will it be sat?	At the end of Year 11 programme of study
TIERS:	
Higher tier grades	N/A
Foundation tier grades	N/A
No Tier grades:	Level 2 – Distinction* (*2), Distinction (D2), Merit (M2), Pass (P2) Level 1 – Distinction (D1), Merit (M1), Pass (P1) and Fail/Unclassified.
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Description

This Cambridge National in Child Development will encourage students to:

- understand and apply the fundamental principles and concepts of Child Development to include health and well-being, creating a safe environment, the nutritional needs of children from birth to five years, and the development of children from one to five years
- develop learning and practical skills that can be applied to real-life contexts and work situations
- think creatively, innovatively, analytically, logically and critically
- develop independence and confidence in using skills that would be relevant to the childcare sector and more widely.

What will I learn?

Unit R057 - Health and well-being for child development (externally assessed)

In this unit you will learn about the importance of both pre-conception health and creating conditions in which a child can thrive, including the prevention and management of childhood illnesses and creating a safe environment.

Unit R058 - Create a safe environment and understand the nutritional needs of children from birth to five years (NEA)

In this unit, you will learn how to create a safe environment for children from birth to five years in childcare settings. You will investigate and choose equipment that is both suitable and safe for use and will learn about their nutrition and dietary needs.

Unit R059 - Understand the development of a child from one to five years (NEA)

In this unit you will learn the expected developmental norms for children from one to five years. You will use observation and research techniques and skills to investigate these development norms and explore your findings. You will also learn the importance of creating plans and providing different play activities to support children in their development.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is based on an examination sat in Year 11 and NEA will be assessed on an ongoing basis over the duration of the course.

The examination consists of two sections, comprising short answer and extended response questions. This is marked externally by the examination board.

All NEA units are internally marked by teachers using the OCR marking criteria and guidance and externally moderated by the OCR-appointed moderator.

Future Opportunities

This course offers many opportunities both in terms of employment in the sector and further study at Key Stage 5 in child development or health and social care.

Examples of appropriate employment to which you might progress include: Midwife, Nursery Nurse, Childminder or Pre-school/Nursery School Assistant.

The well-developed personal skills (e.g. initiative, teamwork and problem-solving) combined with work-related knowledge gained within this course means that students are particularly suitable for recruitment in a range of employment categories, e.g. health, care or early years settings.