

The need for Spanish-speaking child care providers in the Douglas County area is growing tremendously. Today, 6.7% of the county's GENERAL Douglas County population is of Hispanic descent. The Hispanic 0-4 population is growing even more rapidly, and comprises 12% of that age population. That's approximately 4,000 Hispanic children, many of which are receiving child care in family child care homes and child care centers.

This project was developed through a partnership between the *Nebraska Association for the Education of Young Children/T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood@ NEBRASKA* and *Metropolitan Community College*. The goals of this project are to improve the quality of early care and education through education, compensation and continuity.

For more information about this project, or about the Nebraska Association for the Education of Young Children, Inc. visit the website at NebraskaAEYC.org or contact:

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"We create the world we live in by the way we care for our children"
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Early Childhood Education In SPANISH!!!

Habla Espanol?



Ahora, aprenda en Espanol!

College credit courses
are now being offered in Spanish at
Metropolitan Community College - South Campus for
teachers, teacher aides, directors and home providers
whose primary language is Spanish.

This project is funded through the T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood@ Nebraska contract with the Nebraska Department of Education with funds from the Department of Health and Human Services Child Care Development Funds, and with support from The Head Start State Collaboration Office and private foundations.

The T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood® NEBRASKA project provides:

- 80% of the costs of tuition and books
- \$60 per term for travel for students
- pay for release time to the centers to help with the cost of substitute care
- a bonus of \$350 at the end of the contract year for the student

The centers agree:

- to pay 10% of the cost of tuition and books
- to provide the release time
- to provide either a 2% salary increase or a matching bonus at the end of the contract year for the student

The students agree:

- to take at least 12 credits in a 12 month period
- to earn at least a C
- to pay 10% of the costs of tuition and books
- to remain with their facility for a year after the completion of the T.E.A.C.H. contract, thus reducing the staff turnover

For information about
T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood®
NEBRASKA

Contact Brandee Lengel at
1-877-656-2005

Or email to TEACH@NebraskaAEYC.org
(English speaking only)

Availability based on funding resources

Schedule of 2008-2010 Early Childhood Education College Courses in Spanish

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	TERM	CREDITS
ECED 1150	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	Fall 2008	4.5
ECED 1260	Children's Health and Nutrition	Winter 2008-2009	4.5
ECED 1060	Observation & Assessment & Guidance	Spring 2009	4.5
ECED 1110	Infant/Toddler Development	Summer 2009	4.5
ECED 1120	Preschool Child Development	Fall 2009	3.0
ECED1160	Early Language & Literacy	Winter 2009-2010	4.5
ECED1050	Expressive Arts	Spring 2010	4.5

Note: Students may register for the following practicum courses as pre-requisites are completed:

ECED 1221-Infant/Toddler Practicum 3.0

ECED 1240-Preschool Age/School Age Practicum 3.0

Contact Elizabeth Brewer, the Faculty Practicum Coordinator in the Early Childhood Education Program at the Fort Omaha Campus, 457-2890, for further information. (English speaking only)