

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grades)

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\*One semester only- Highschool elective/Career exploration

**“THE GOAL OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION SHOULD BE TO ACTIVATE THE CHILD’S OWN NATURAL DESIRE TO LEARN.”**

**Maria Montessori**



**Course Description:** In this class, students will learn about early childhood growth and development, the importance of hands-on play, and multiple types of intelligence. They will study the history of education and different approaches to early education. By the end of the semester, students will learn practical classroom ideas and know how to implement them. They will plan and present lessons for various education styles and learn tips on classroom management. Students will also explore different careers in the field of early childhood education.

**Tuition \$200** (includes homework handouts, tests, and project supplies) 50% refund if class is dropped in the first 4 weeks, no refund if dropped after 4<sup>th</sup> week.

**Textbook:** Early Childhood Education downloadable text by Vicki Tillman **\$34.99**.

<https://www.7sistershomeschool.com/product/early-childhood-education>

**Materials needed:** 3 ring-binder for your downloadable curriculum and handouts.

### **Instructor:**

- Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology & Addictions Counseling from Indiana Wesleyan University.
- Worked as a social worker for Head Start and the Foster Care System for several years.
- Lead teacher for Head Start and Early Head Start and day care classrooms.
- Spent time in the classroom substitute teaching.
- 13 years of homeschool experience with our 3 children.