



HUDSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL COURSE FRAMEWORK



COURSE / SUBJECT

Early Childhood Education

KEY COURSE OBJECTIVES/ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS Important ideas and core processes	UNIT PACING Names of units and approximate pacing	UNIT LEARNING TARGETS By the end of the unit, students will be able to...	STANDARD Which standards (i.e. common core, MMC, etc.) does this address?
	Unit 1: The Early Childhood Education Center Pace: 13 days	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain the three reasons the need for child care is growing in our society. 2. List and describe the three general approaches to child care. 3. Explain the six areas that contribute to a quality child care program. 4. Describe how to plan the learning environment so it meets the needs of program goals, children’s needs, staff needs and how it would encourage parent involvement. 5. Explain the 5 areas that must be considered to promote health and safety in a child care center. 6. Describe the difference between a schedule and a routine. 7. Explain the benefits that children gain from schedules, routines and transitions. 8. Describe the steps required in creating a quality lesson plan. 9. Explain the importance of music in the preschool program. 	H2.2 Research support systems that assist individuals and families in their roles as caregivers and parents. H2.4 Identify and create the characteristics of a nurturing environment. H3.4 Research necessary conditions for optimal growth and development. H3.6 Create plans to manage problems and crises.
	Unit 2: The Preschool Experience	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create lesson plans that are appropriate for preschool aged children. 2. Independently teach a preschool lesson to a group of preschool children. 3. Explain the importance of using voice and expression when reading to preschoolers. 4. Analyze the quality of children’s literature. 	H2.4 Identify and create the characteristics of a nurturing environment. H3.4 Research necessary conditions for optimal growth and development.