

## Professional Development Plan

<p>Do you want to be an ECI (infant/ toddler) or ECP (preschool) major? Why?</p>	<p>I want to be a ECI major because I feel like I have the most to offer to a younger age demographic and those are the most formative years of a child's life. I would love to be part of molding the young minds of tomorrow. My daughter is my biggest inspiration through all of this and I want to be able to help other children like her. Infant/toddler is an extremely important part of a child's memory and I want them to be able to look back and say that they actually had at least one educator in life that had their best interest at heart always. I always want to be a safe space for any child who enters my classroom.</p>
<p>What qualities do you have that will help you be successful working with your chosen age group? Use examples from the course.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I am extremely child-oriented, nothing matters more to me then the comfort of all children in my classroom</li> <li>- I am patient , understanding , kind always even under frustration</li> <li>- I have the dedication to make sure every child that enters my classroom succeeds</li> <li>- I am willing to compromise to accommodate any concerns caregivers may have concerning my classroom</li> </ul>
<p>What skills would you like to develop that will help you be more effective working with that age group?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Working on building secure attachments with infants</li> <li>- Having a mental checklist of abuse signs to make sure all of my children are safe</li> <li>- I would like to develop strong activity planning skills ( working on learning how to make lesson plans , create activities for the children that are fun and educational)</li> <li>- Basic first aide / CPR training</li> </ul>
<p>What are your career goals?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- become an assistant teacher to build experience while i am completing my bachelors degree</li> <li>- Take mandated reporter training and whatever additional certifications needed to be well equipped to assist the children</li> <li>- Get certified to work with special education students in addition to having my regular associates degree</li> <li>- Enter into the DOE public school system as a 3K teacher</li> <li>- Get my masters degree</li> </ul>
<p>What steps will you take to achieve those career goals?</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.complete the NYSTCE assessment of teaching assistant skills</li> <li>2.search out assistance in how i would be able to take the trainings i need and make sure to complete all of them</li> <li>3.pursuing higher education by getting into a 4 year college so i can complete my bachelors degree</li> <li>4.reaching out for assistance to figure out how and when i can get certified to work with special needs children and what the requirements are i need to fulfill</li> <li>5.getting into a 3k center that will pay for my masters degree or possibly working for a charter school to build experience and get financial assistance from them to complete my masters</li> </ol>

What steps will you take at BMCC to help you reach those goals?

1. Joining the teacher enrichment club at BMCC to build connections with other like - minded individuals that want to pursue the same goals that i do

2. meet regularly with my advisor so i can keep my grades up for when it's time to move onto my four year college

3. taking my ECE classes seriously and internalizing all of the info provided to me so i can take it into the real world

4. i can utilize the learning resource center or the education department to get help with learning how to formulate lesson plans

5. i can apply for work study positions that are affiliated with BMCC that would put me in a child care environment



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