

LEVEL 2 EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER APPRENTICESHIP



About the apprenticeship

This apprenticeship is for individuals who are at the start of their early years career or who wish to take their first steps into the childcare sector. This programme will develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours of early years practitioners. You will be working in a role such as Nursery Assistant, Early Years Practitioner or Nursery Practitioner and will work as part of a team with responsibility for supporting young children from birth to 7 years of age with child initiated and adult led activities based around the needs and interests of each individual child whilst also ensuring their care and welfare of under the guidance of an Early Years Educator, teacher or other suitably trained staff.

Duration

With a duration of 15 months (including 3 months End Point Assessment), you will receive online training and support from our assessor.

On starting you will undertake an online skills scan enabling us to understand your learning style and needs and we will tailor your learning experience accordingly. Your assessor will work with you to ensure that you stay on track to complete your programme on time by managing your progress through Bud our learning platform.

Off the Job-Training

20% of your time at work is spent completing off the job training. This can be any time devoted to learning and improving new skills and can include:

Online teaching, practical training, writing assignments.

Entry requirements

Aged 16–18: If apprentices lack GCSEs (or equivalents) in English or Maths (Grade 4/C or above), they must achieve Functional Skills (FS) as part of their apprenticeship programme.

Aged 19+: Since 11 February 2025, FS qualifications in Maths are optional, subject to agreement between the apprentice and employer or if they are not required for the job role they are working in. However, you must still hold an English GCSE or equivalent to be counted in ratio.

End Point Assessment

The knowledge, skills, and behaviours that you have learned throughout your apprenticeship, and which confirms that you are occupationally competent will be assessed by an independent assessor. This will be through a combination of the following: - Professional Discussion underpinned by a Portfolio of Evidence and an observation followed by questioning.

OUR DELIVERY MODEL

Month 1	Theme 1	Introduction to the Early Years Practitioner
Month 2	Theme 2	The role of the Early Years Practitioner
Month 3	Theme 3	Safeguarding
Month 4	Theme 4	Health and Safety
Month 5	Theme 5	Supporting the Wellbeing of Babies and Young Children
Month 6	Theme 6	Understand how to support children's development
Month 7	Theme 7	Support the planning and delivery of play opportunities and activities
Month 8	Theme 8	Equality diversity & inclusion
Month 9	Theme 9	Partnership Working
Month 10	Theme 10	Support the needs of children with SEND
Month 11	Theme 11	EPA Readiness
Month 12	Gateway Meeting	
Months 13 to 15	Prepare for and undertake your End Point Assessment (EPA)	

What does it cost?

The cost of the programme is £5000 and is funded by the Government. Non levy paying employers are required to make a co-investment payment of 5% (£250) towards this cost when the learner is aged 22 or over on starting the apprenticeship.

How do I start this apprenticeship?

Contact Brighter Horizons for a candidate enquiry form on **01403 786620** or email info@brighterhorizonstraining.co.uk

Once returned you will be invited to register on Bud, undertake the apprenticeship sign-up process and complete a learning activity ready for the start of your course.

