

Equivalent Options for Education

School-Age Providers

School-Age Providers have options to meet licensing Staff Qualifications. These options are known as 'equivalents.' Providers can choose between the education pathway or the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) approved experience alternative. To learn more about the DCYF approved experience alternative, review the publication *Experience Based Competency Demonstration, School-age providers* (EPS_0054) online at www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pubs/EPS_0054.pdf.



ROLE	EDUCATION Education Requirement Named in WAC	EQUIVALENT Experience-Based Competency Demonstration - <i>Not available for Early Achievers PD Points</i>
Program Director	45 college credits	Not available
Site Director	30 college credits	Experience-based competency demonstration
Lead Teacher	12 college credits	Experience-based competency demonstration
Assistant Teacher Aide	High School Diploma or Equivalent; or Enrolled	Not needed, work toward full education requirement

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