Alabama CTE

Preschool CDA® I Internship (2022)

Foundational Standards	1	Incorporate safety procedures in handling, operating, and maintaining tools and machinery; handling materials; utilizing personal protective equipment; maintaining a safe work area; and handling hazardous materials and forces. F.1
	2	Demonstrate effective workplace and employability skills, including communication, awareness of diversity, positive work ethic, problem-solving, time management, and teamwork. F.2
	3	Explore the range of careers available in the field and investigate their educational requirements and demonstrate job-seeking skills including resume-writing and interviewing. F.3
	4	Advocate and practice safe, legal, responsible, and ethical use of information and technology tools specific to the industry pathway. F.4
	5	Participate in a Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) to increase knowledge and skills and to enhance leadership and teamwork. F.5
Safety	1	Summarize safety practices observed in the preschool internship setting. 1
	2	Develop a lesson plan to teach safety concepts to preschoolers. 2
	3	Generate a plan for maintaining a safe classroom and enforcing safety rules and standards. 3
Health	4	Observe and document practices for maintaining a healthy classroom environment. 4
	5	Design a five-day menu based on USDA guidelines for preschoolers' nutritional needs. 5
	6	Identify forms commonly used in the preschool setting to document illness, injuries, and specific health needs and describe the purpose of each. 6
	7	Create a professional competency statement that reflects a personal commitment ‘o maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment. 7

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Learning Environment	8	**Identify the elements of the internship classroom that meet the standards for a high-quality learning environment as defined by the Council for Professional Recognition and outlined in CDA® training materials.** 8
	9	**Select appropriate materials for a preschool setting.** 9
	10	**Design a preschool classroom space that meets the standards set by the Council for Professional Recognition, including space, furnishings, wall and floor materials, and safety equipment.** 10
Professionalism	11	**Summarize the steps of the CDA® credentialing process.** 11
	12	**Compare and contrast trends in early childhood education practices through the 20th and 21st centuries.** 12
	13	**Create and defend a personal educational philosophy that is supported by research.** 13