

Requirements to become a family day care educator

Essential requirements to be eligible to become a family day care educator

- You must be at least 18 years of age.
- You must have a passion and desire to work with and care for children from birth to 12 years.
- You need to be skilled at creating a welcoming environment in your home, conducive to the health, safety, development, learning and care of children and the ability to identify health and safety issues pertaining to the home environment.
- You must demonstrate well developed communication and interpersonal skills and be competent communicating, reading and writing in English.
- You will need to document each child's learning, in line with the National Quality Framework and National Education and Care Services Regulations.
- You need an understanding of the Early Years Learning Framework and Framework for School Aged Care.
- You must have a registered Australian Business Number (ABN).
- You must be interested in running your own business, including keeping records of income and expenditure.
- You must meet the compliance and accountability requirements specified by Australian and state government laws.
- You need to have computer and internet access.
- You are required to participate in professional development and scheme activities.

To qualify to be an FDC Educator you require

- Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority approved qualifications in first aid, cardio pulmonary resuscitation, asthma management and emergency anaphylaxis management
- Child-related employment screening (this will also be provided for each adult aged 18 and over residing in the premises)
- Responding to Abuse and Neglect – Education and Care training
- Medical clearance
- Public liability insurance.

Family day care professional values

- We respect and have regard for the dignity of others.
- Our decisions and actions have regard for the wellbeing of people and the environment, both now and for the future.
- We recognise individual and collective strengths.
- We promote the importance of quality care and learning.
- We give our best and act honestly, openly and fairly in our work.
- Our practices and actions demonstrate the importance of continual learning and the development of children.
- We work with others, sharing perspectives, skills and knowledge.

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