

ACSI Early Educator Core Competencies (EE CC) describe the knowledge, skills, and best practices that early childhood educators need in order to provide high quality care and education to young children and their families while centered on God's developmental design for each individual child.

Core Competencies with Examples (examples are not exhaustive):

- 1. Child Development and Learning: Spiritual, Social, Emotional, Physical, Cognitive**
 - Milestones
 - Individual variances
- 2. Learning Environment and Curriculum**
 - Curriculum using content knowledge to build meaningful learning
 - Early learning standards
- 3. Observation, Screening, Assessment, and Documentation**
 - Documenting and assessing to support young children and families
 - Objective observation and documentation
- 4. Relationships, Interactions, and Child Guidance**
 - Class management
 - Self-regulation
- 5. Health, Safety, and Nutrition**
 - Safe environments
 - Health and wellness
- 6. Cultural and Linguistic Diversity**
 - Family cultures
 - Second language learners
- 7. Family and Community Relationships**
 - Communication and engagement with families
 - Community involvement
- 8. Special Needs and Inclusion**
 - Individual needs of learners
 - Intervention planning
- 9. Leadership**
 - Organizational
 - Classroom
- 10. Professionalism**
 - Ethical guidelines for conduct and practice
 - Lifelong learning
- 11. Biblical Studies**
 - Personal spiritual growth
 - Applying God's Word