

Middle Childhood Education

Kent State University offers several programs in Middle Childhood Education (MCED) that prepare students for licensure in grades 4-9 (ages 8-14). Graduates are eligible for the Middle Childhood Reading Endorsement. Both the Bachelor of Science in Education and the courses needed for a Middle Childhood Generalist license are offered at the Kent, Stark, and Geauga campuses.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

The Bachelor of Science in Education includes two concentrations (students select from Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies) and the teaching of reading. Student teaching experiences incorporate both concentration areas. Graduates of this baccalaureate program, upon passing the required state assessments, receive licensure in Middle Childhood Education for their two chosen concentration areas, and reading, for grades 4-9.



Language Arts

Students take content area courses in literature, writing, and grammar or linguistics.

Mathematics

Content area courses include algebra, geometry, calculus, statistics, and trigonometry.

Science

Students in this concentration are prepared to teach all areas of science in grades 4-9, including Life Science, Physical Science, Earth Science, and Chemistry.

Social Studies

Content area courses in the social studies concentration include history, geography, and politics.

GENERALIST LICENSE

The Middle Childhood Generalist license can be added to an existing Middle Childhood license. The MC Generalist license allows teachers to teach grades 4-6 in concentration areas beyond the two listed in their initial licensure.

IB MYP CERTIFICATE

Kent State is the only university in Ohio and one of three in the United States offering the International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Program Certificate in Teaching and Learning as part of its undergraduate program for Middle Childhood Education. Educators graduating from Kent State will not only be qualified to serve in Ohio but also in any of the IB "world" schools in more than 128 countries.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students applying to the MCED program must have a GPA of 2.75. As MCED is a selective program, students must also have a minimum GPA of 2.75 to be admitted to Advanced Study (junior and senior level courses); test scores and an interview are also considered.

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The MCED program is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and nationally recognized by the Association for Middle Level Education (AMLE). The MCED program received International Baccalaureate (IB) recognition in 2016.

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