

**Supporting the Governor's "60 by 30" Goal for Michigan's Workforce**

By 2030, 60 percent of Michigan adults will have learning or training after high school.

**PREPARING FUTURE EDUCATORS AND YOUTH WORKERS**

**High School Credentials**

**Immediate Employment\***

**Careers With Continued Education\***



**CDA**

**Child Development Associate**

**Great Start or Head Start Associate/Assistant Teacher, Early Care and Education Lead Teacher**

**B-K, PK-3 Teacher or Child Care Center Program Director**



**MI-YDA**

**MI School-Age Youth Development Associate**

**Recreation Leader, Youth Development Worker, Teacher Assistant, School-Age Site Supervisor**

**K-12 Teacher, Community Learning Center or Nonprofit Director (e.g., Boys & Girls Club Director)**

**BENEFITS OF CREDENTIALS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

- »»»»» Jump-start higher education
- »»»»» Provide career opportunities in high-need fields
- »»»»» Graduate with job-ready skills
- »»»»» Earn college credits without cost

**THE OPPORTUNITY**

The Michigan Department of Education is making changes to [expand secondary learning opportunities for all students](#). Under the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V), Career and Technical Education (CTE) curricula will be directly tied to credentials that allow employment upon graduation. Students in the Education & Training career cluster will be able to work toward the Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential or the Michigan Youth Development Associate (MI-YDA) Credential.

Both CDA and MI-YDA Credentials are based on similar competencies and require practical field/clinical experience, development of a portfolio, and a verification visit to observe candidates working with children.



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