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APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR
APPROVAL OF THE LESS THAN ONE-YEAR CAREER
PATHWAY CERTIFICATE IN CHILDCARE AIDE FOR
PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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REPORT: The proposed Childcare Aide Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate is for individuals whose career goal is in the childcare industry and who desire to make a positive impact on a child's development. Upon completion of the 22-credit certificate, graduates will be prepared for employment as childcare aides in both registered and certified childcare homes and childcare centers. Childcare aides work under the direct guidance of lead teachers in the early education classroom. All courses required for the certificate also fulfill requirements for the Early Education and Family Studies AAS. If students choose to continue their education beyond this certificate, they will be able to complete the Early Education and Family Studies AAS at Portland Community College and be prepared to transfer to Portland State University.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Oregon State Board of Education for the Childcare Aide Less Than One-Year Career Pathway Certificate for Portland Community College.