



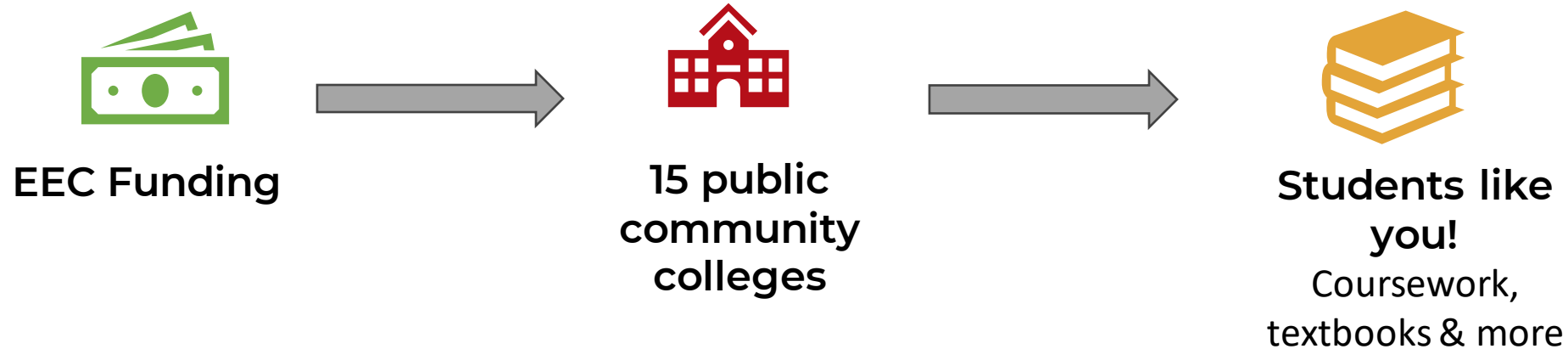
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Early Education & Care

Early Childhood Career Pathways Grant

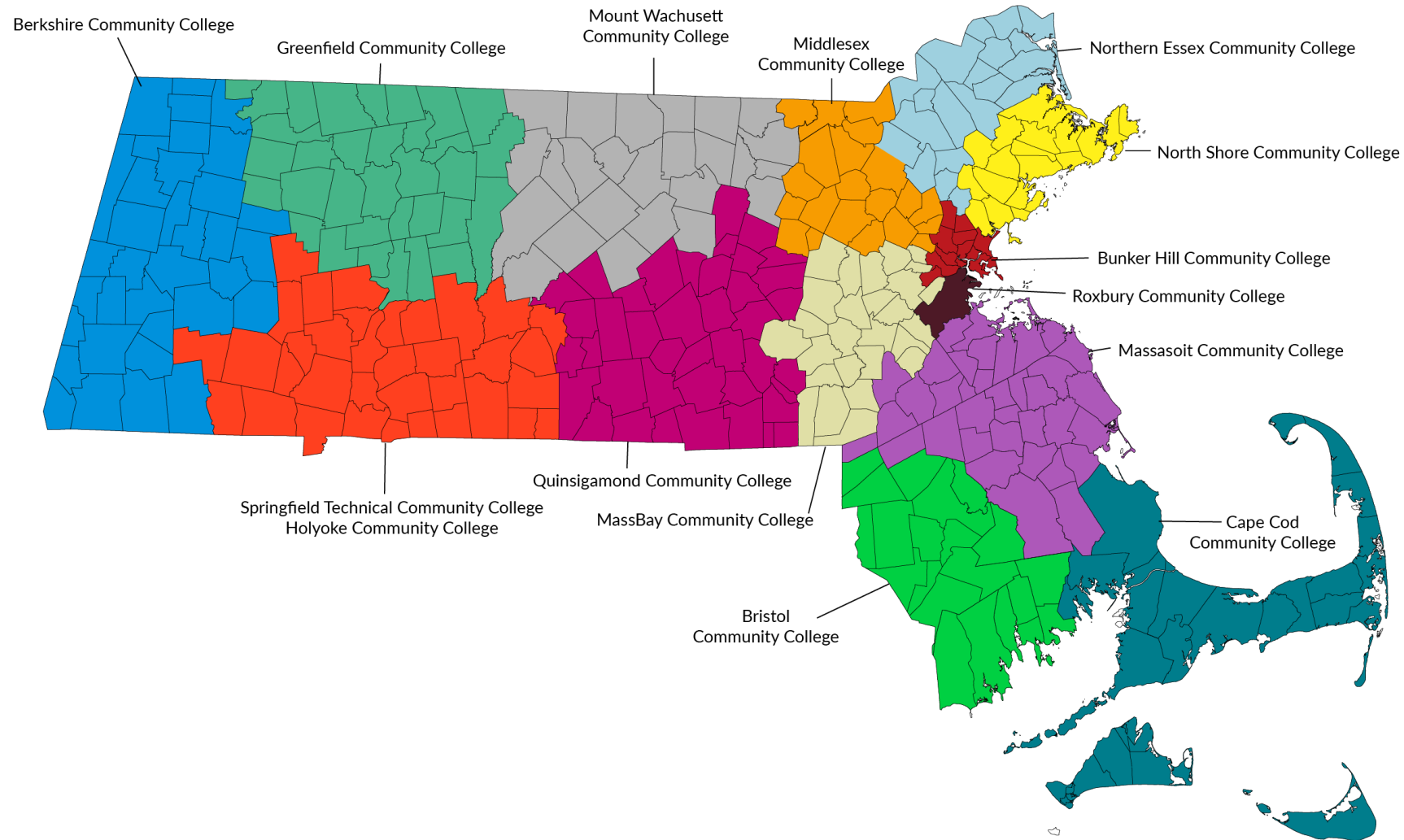
What is the Career Pathways Grant?

The Early Childhood Career Pathways Grant is a workforce development grant between EEC and the 15 public community colleges in Massachusetts.

Each college is awarded a grant to build the early childhood workforce through college funded courses. The colleges use this funding to provide academic services to educators, including coursework, textbooks, tutoring, mentoring, technology and other student support services.



Where are the 15 public community colleges?



What does the EEC Career Pathways Grant provide?

Massachusetts
Community
Colleges have
dedicated
supports for early
childhood staff to
take college
courses.



Support with class selection and enrollment



College level courses that lead towards EEC certification



College level certificate or associates degree in early childhood



Textbooks, tutoring, mentoring, career counseling, access to library, food pantry and other campus supports



Assistance and support applying for the ECE Scholarship

Am I eligible for Career Pathways services?

Career Pathways students must:

- Have an active account in [EEC's Professional Qualifications Registry](#) (PQR)
- Live and work in Massachusetts
- Be employed for at least 20 hrs/wk at an EEC licensed or funded program OR intend to begin working at an EEC licensed or funded program within 6 months, OR be a recent or near future graduate of a high school EEC program
- Agree to the terms and conditions of participation, including: completing course and or college application, participate in supports necessary for success, remaining employed during participation in the course(s), agreeing to remain in the field for at least 1 year after completion, sharing demographic data for the purposes of reporting
- Other requirements as requested by the college (For example: high school diploma, good financial/academic standing, application to the college)

How do I get started?

You can start the process by choosing a community college. Keep in mind:



Proximity: Choose a college that is close to where you live or work so you can access in-person classes and services like the library and tutoring center.



Previous Coursework: If you've already taken classes at a community college, return to that college.



Language Needs: If you need classes in a language other than English, select a college that offers the language you need.

Then what?

Now that you have chosen a community college you are ready to get enrolled!



Send an email to the Career Pathways Grant Coordinator at the community college of your choice.



There will be several steps to take for course registration. Watch your email for a reply from the Grant Coordinator (please check your email regularly).



Have any previous college transcripts available upon request from the Grant Coordinator to determine eligibility for enrollment and to identify course selection.

[Find contact information for Grant Coordinators](#)

Important Things to Remember!

As you plan out your next steps keep in mind:



You may be asked for a copy of your high school diploma or college transcript.



Reach out to only one college at a time.



Return to a college where you've already taken classes.



Classes start at the beginning of each semester: September, January & May. Classes are not offered "on demand."



Before you enroll, prepare by making sure you understand the time commitment needed for coursework (both in and outside of the classroom). Review each course description, mark your calendar with important due dates and registration deadlines, and seek assistance from the grant coordinator as needed.

Region 6: Metro Boston



imagine the possibilities

- Melissa Kerner
careerpathways@bhcc.edu
- Child Growth and Development and Curriculum in Early Childhood in Spanish
- [Bunker Hill Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- If you're interested in taking courses at BHCC, complete [this intake form](#).
- Campuses in: Charlestown, Chelsea, Everett, Malden and Quincy. Additional Boston locations: Chinatown, East Boston, South End



- Jennifer Kearns-Fox
jkearnsfox@rcc.mass.edu
- Campuses in: Roxbury Crossing



- Linda Romero ** Email Linda and she will send the link to the forms directly to you when they are available**
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508-380-2992
- Child Growth and Development in Spanish, CDA in Portuguese
- Campuses in: Wellesley, Framingham and Ashland

Region 5: Southeast

BRISTOL

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Heidi Campbell
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774-357-2505
- [Bristol Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- For more information about the Career Pathways program at Bristol, [complete this form](#).
- If you are interested in taking a summer course at Bristol, [complete this form](#).
- Campuses in: Fall River, New Bedford, Attleboro and Taunton



- Susan Driscoll
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- [Massasoit Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Brockton, Canton and Middleborough



- Kathy Blackwell
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- [Cape Cod Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- [Cape Cod Community College Early Childhood Education Department Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: West Barnstable, Hyannis, Plymouth, Bridgewater and Oak Bluffs

Region 3: Northeast



NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

- Kathy Gallo (English)
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[781-593-6722 x6249](tel:781-593-6722)
- [Mercedes Villar](#)
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- If you are interested in taking a summer course in ENGLISH at North Shore, [complete this form](#).
- If you are interested in taking Child Growth and Development in SPANISH this summer at North Shore, [complete this form](#).
- [North Shore Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Danvers and Lynn



Northern Essex Community College

- Doris Buckley (English)
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- Sharline DelRosario (Spanish)
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- Campuses in: Haverhill and Lawrence



- Nancy Pynchon
pynchonn@middlesex.mass.edu
[978-656-3236](tel:978-656-3236)
- [Middlesex Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- If you are interested in taking a summer course at Middlesex, [complete this form](#).
- Campuses in: Bedford and Lowell

Region 2: Central



- Get started with classes:
 - Rhonda DiMatteo
 - rdimatteo@mwcc.mass.edu
 - 978-630-9192
- More information and questions (English):
 - Jonie Latimer-Brady
 - jlatimerbrady@mwcc.mass.edu
- More information and registration (Spanish)
 - Jose Mangual
 - jmangual@mwcc.mass.edu
- [Mt. Wachusett Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Leominster, Devens and Fitchburg



- Rachel Wallace
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[508-726-2331](tel:508-726-2331)
- Campuses in: Worcester, Marlborough and Southbridge

Region 1: Western

- Get started with classes:
Abby Mahoney (English)
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[413-552-2345](tel:413-552-2345)
Marangely La Santa (Spanish)
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Emmy Phelps (Spanish)
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- [Holyoke Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Holyoke, Ludlow and Ware

- Get started with classes:
Nancy Ward (English)
njward@stcc.edu
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- Campuses in: Springfield



- Get started with classes:
Felicia Gooler
goolerf@gcc.mass.edu
413-775-1270
- [Greenfield Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Greenfield and Northampton

- Get started with classes:
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- [Berkshire Community College Career Pathways Webpage](#)
- Campuses in: Pittsfield and Great Barrington



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