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**MCCC RECEIVES GRANT OF \$32,030**  
**TO PURSUE EARLY CHILDHOOD**  
**EDUCATION PROGRAM ACCREDITATION**

MONROE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College has received a grant of \$32,030 to pursue National Association for the Education of Young Children accreditation for its early childhood education program.

The NAEYC Early Childhood Associate Degree Accreditation Grant was awarded by the Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children.

The NAEYC Commission on Early Childhood Associate Degree Accreditation awards accreditation to associate degree programs that demonstrate evidence of meeting its Professional Preparation Standards.

“NAEYC sets the standards of excellence for teacher preparation programs, and the ECE program is committed to creating well-prepared graduates that can effectively meet the needs of diverse children and families,” said Felice Moorman, assistant professor of early childhood education.

Accreditation provides a framework for self-study, external evaluation and improvement in the quality of teacher preparation programs. There are currently programs at 180 institutions in 34 states accredited by the commission. More than 100 additional programs are currently in self-study in 37 states.

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MCCC is one of nine other Michigan colleges that will be seeking NAEYC Early Childhood Associate Degree accreditation or reaccreditation in the next two years.

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