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## Greetings from the Child Development Faculty at BYU-Idaho!

Our mission is to facilitate your growth in knowledge, skills, and dispositions that will lead you to nurture children, celebrate and protect childhood, and fulfill your divine purpose. We have identified five learning outcomes for our programs that we hope you will embrace as you take our courses:

- DEVELOPMENTAL PRACTITIONERS. We implement appropriate, researchbased practices that foster children's development in multiple domains.
- RELATIONSHIP BUILDERS. We use a strengths-based approach, valuing the positive qualities of children, families, and communities.
- INTENTIONAL TEACHERS. We incorporate multiple instructional methods, focusing on practical, first-hand learning.
- NATURE ENTHUSIASTS. We help children connect to the natural world physically, cognitively, emotionally, socially, and spiritually.
- JOYFUL LEARNERS. We follow our passions and seek joy in our studies, displaying creativity and integrity.

We offer several options for you to make child development a part of your college experience:

- A Bachelor of Science (4-year) degree in Child Development, which provides a broad knowledge base for working with and for children and youth and prepares you for graduate programs.
- An Associate of Applied Science (2-year) degree in Early Child Development, which provides knowledge and skills focusing on teaching and administering programs for young children.
- A Minor in Child Development, which can be attached to many degrees on campus.
- A Concentration or Cluster in Child Development, which can be used in an interdisciplinary degree.

The Child Development programs are housed in the Department of Home and Family in the Clarke Building on the BYU-Idaho Campus. We are eager to meet with you to talk about career opportunities and course sequencing. Please contact your faculty mentor soon!

Sincerely,



The Child Development Faculty

