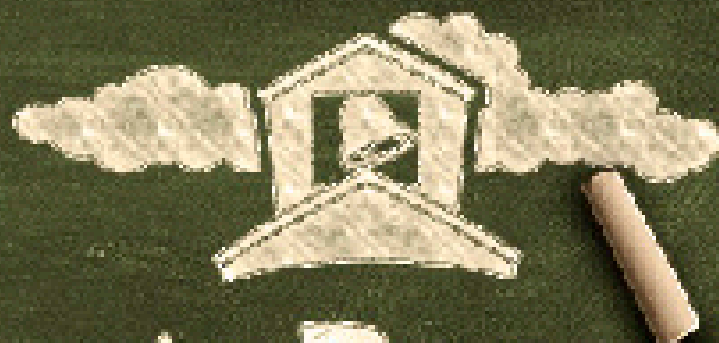


THE ULTIMATE CHECKLIST ON



How to Become A TEACHER In TEXAS



Your Checklist Of Things To Do



Sign Up with ECAP for Help and Support

- Sign up at [ECAP](#)
- Receive a 20-Minute Personalized Consultation on which path is best for you, the best test to take for your teaching goal and how to navigate test preparation options
- Receive a free Resource Guide of all the resource links you will need
- Note: You are not officially enrolled in the ECAP program at this point



Apply with ECAP

- Complete [ECAP Application](#)
- Your application must include completed Application, Required Fee and all Official Transcripts
- If you are getting a Trades and Industry Certification, you must complete a Statement of Qualification with your application to ECAP. ECAP will provide the form.
- Graduates from a university outside the U.S. or U.S. territories must provide proof of oral English language proficiency by passing the oral proficiency portion of the TOEFL



Register with ETS to take the TExES Content Test

- You must register for the appropriate TExES Content Test through the Pre-Admission Content Test (PACT) route prior to enrolling for admission in our program
- There is a \$134 test fee per test, or Core Subjects EC-6 (291) and Core Subjects 4-8 (211)
- You can request to change your test, test date, test center or test session online or by phone. A test date can only be changed to a date within the current testing year, and there will be a \$20 or \$80 charge depending on how close to your test date it is.



Study for the PACT (Pre-Admission Content Test)

- The free Resource Guide you received when you signed up with ECAP for help and support will give you links to test preparation websites where you can study and take practice tests
- We also offer an optional 4-hour practice tests to get you used to taking the proctored test



Take the PACT (Pre-Admission Content Test)

- You must pass at least one content test prior to being enrolled and starting a teaching job
- You can take as many additional subject tests as you would like to improve your marketability
- You are able to take each test up to five times in order to pass; however, you must wait 45 days to retest



Submit Test Results to ECAP

- You are responsible for making sure we get your test results, either from you or the testing Agency. We cannot enroll you without this.
- Let us know when you pass your test and we will confirm your score with TEA. You get your results a few days before we can see them, so make sure that you notify us.



Enroll in ECAP

- After we verify your test scores, ECAP will send you an invitation to enroll. When you sign this invitation and return it to us, you will be officially accepted into ECAP and ready to start training. You are also officially eligible to teach at this point.



Start Training with ECAP

- ECAP Academy is the core of our training
- ECAP Academy is held for three weeks during the summer each year in Fort Worth, or it is available multiple times each year via online courses. Academy represents approximately 160 hours of your required 300 clock hours of training and covers what you will need to understand and prepare for your first year in the classroom.



Look for a Teaching Job

- Once you have applied and been accepted into our program, you can begin looking for a Teaching Job



Complete Training with ECAP

- You will complete the remainder of your 300 clock hours of training in the classroom and address your own classroom performance in the areas of classroom management, effective lesson planning, student assessment and technology



Pass the PPR (Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities) Test

- You cannot take the PPR test until:
 - You have a teaching position
 - You have passed all content tests
 - You have taken the 7-hour review session from ECAP and completed prerequisite Coursework



Teach for One Year

- You will earn a year of service and you will be paid a standard teacher's salary, while you complete your first year of teaching
- An ECAP Advisor will coach and monitor you during this time
- We are here to make sure that you are successful as this is the most important component of your certification

CONGRATULATIONS YOU MADE THE GRADE! YOU ARE NOW A TEACHER!

This checklist is meant to be a resource and should not be used as the definitive guide to certification. Fees, rules and regulations change. Everyone should consult with an ECAP representative for any questions concerning these procedures.

If you forgot to sign up with ECAP, click below and we'll get you started right now.

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