

FLORIDA
TEACHERS
—of Tomorrow—

Florida Teachers of Tomorrow:
**Alternative Certification
How-to Guide**

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Every Child Deserves a Great Teacher

At Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, we believe that a great teacher provides effective academic guidance. A skilled teacher helps shape a child's development by creating a positive learning environment and instilling values that go beyond the classroom.



When you embark on the rewarding teaching journey, you will:

Teaching a diverse student population - Florida's education system offers you the opportunity to work with students from various cultural backgrounds and experiences.

Smaller class sizes - Florida's education system is among the best in the country, with smaller class sizes and modern technology.

Pleasant climate - Florida's beautiful environment, beaches, and good weather give you a great place to enjoy during weekends and holidays.

Generous retirement incentives - Once you start teaching in Florida public schools, you're automatically enrolled into the state's retirement plan.

Professional development opportunities - The state of Florida places a strong emphasis on the professional development of its educators. You'll have access to ongoing training, workshops, and resources to enhance your skills and keep you updated with educational trends.

Strong support system - You'll get to build relationships with fellow teachers, students, parents, and support staff, some of which will last a lifetime.

Why Teachers of Tomorrow for your Educator Preparation Institute (EPI)

Choosing the right path to teaching is vital for your success in the classroom. Select a program that aligns with your study style and schedule and realize your dreams faster.

Here's why we stand out:



The #1 Educator Preparation Institute (EPI)

Our Educator Preparation Institute stands out as the #1 choice.

Our Educator preparation institute program is the leading program of choice in the country. We have a track record of effectiveness and success in preparing candidates for the teaching profession.

Become one of the countless successful teachers who have launched their careers through our program.



Accredited by AAQEP

We are accredited by the [Accreditation Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation \(AAQEP\)](#). Our programs are verified and meet quality assurance benchmarks for educator preparation.

With Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, you're assured that your teacher certification will be recognized and respected nationwide.



Over 80,000 Teachers Certified

Over 80,000 teachers have been certified through our program. Our track record demonstrates years of positive impact in classrooms in Florida by our certified teachers.

By choosing Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, you join a supportive community of educators who have made a real difference in the lives of countless students.



Trusted School District Partner

Accredited school districts across Florida trust us to provide well-prepared educators. Once you're ready to begin in the classroom, we assist with the job application process.

We assist you with the rigorous job application process and use our District partnership resources to help you find a teaching position.

How it Works - Timeline



The following is the timeline overview for you to transition from an applicant to a fully certified educator through the Florida Teachers of Tomorrow program.

Here's our step-by-step breakdown.

1. Apply Today

- Complete a **FREE** application
- Submit your official transcripts
- Submit Eligible - Statement of Eligibility
- Enroll in the Florida Teachers of Tomorrow program.

2. Become Eligible

- Complete online, on-demand training
- Pass state-required content area exams
- Complete classroom observations

3. Start Teaching

- Teach for one academic year
- Receive classroom support from your assigned field supervisor
- Earn full pay and benefits
- Complete additional required coursework
- Pass state-certification exam(s)

4. Fully Certified

- Earn full certification after completing all program requirements.

We'll be here to guide you through each of these steps.



Our Program



The Florida Teachers of Tomorrow Educator Preparation Institute gives you a well-rounded and supportive experience. We empower you with the skills and resources to have a flourishing career in education.

When you choose Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, you can expect:



Access to a research-based and comprehensive educator preparation curriculum designed to impart essential teaching skills, pedagogy, and classroom management techniques.



Support in preparing for required exams to meet certification standards.



Guidance and support from experienced mentors and coaches throughout the program.



Potential for program fee coverage through district partnerships and scholarships.



Flexible program structure to accommodate individuals with diverse schedules or work commitments.



Opportunities for networking, professional development, and exposure to district-specific resources.



Options for accelerated paths to certification, allowing for a faster transition into the classroom.



Ongoing career support services, including resume building, interview preparation, and exclusive job fairs and district hiring events.



Real-world classroom exposure to build confidence and readiness for the teaching profession.



Inclusion in an alumni community of educators, providing networking opportunities and exchanging ideas.

Florida Teachers of Tomorrow vs The Traditional Pathway



Florida Teachers of Tomorrow

VS

College/University

Geared toward career-changers and those entering teaching non-conventionally.

Accepts a **bachelor's degree** in any area/subject with a 2.50 GPA, from an accredited institution

Self-paced and can take as little as **3 months** for you to begin a paid full-teaching position

Flexible learning schedule, allowing you to work as you learn

Costs \$2,995 for the entire program

Geared toward individuals pursuing teaching as their initial career choice.

Only accepts candidates with a **bachelor's degree** in education.

Takes **four years** to complete plus additional time to complete certification requirements

Follows a full-time structured format

Costs \$25,000 a year



Pricing

Application fee	Enrollment fee	Monthly access fee*	Program fee	Total Program Cost
\$0	\$95	then \$95	\$2,900	\$2,995

Payable when you start teaching. The monthly access fees will be totaled and applied towards your total program fee balance. Balance is divided into 10 equal monthly payments

*The \$95 monthly access fee allows you continued access to coursework and training.

Note: There are other certification and exam payments not made directly to Teachers of Tomorrow.

Trusted Support Through Your Teaching Journey



In addition to our alternative certification program, we've partnered with two companies committed to helping you succeed as an educator.



The Learning Liaisons

The Learning Liaisons offer test prep to help you pass your teacher certification exams.

You'll get personalized guidance, premium video guides, and study groups to help you prepare and pass all your teacher certification exams.



SimpleK12

SimpleK12 is your go-to platform for continuous learning and growth in your teaching career. They offer various online training and professional development courses designed to empower educators.

As a Florida Teachers of Tomorrow candidate or certified teacher, you can access SimpleK12's webinars and training materials library to stay up-to-date with the latest teaching trends, technologies, and best practices.

Together with Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, The Learning Liaisons and SimpleK12 are dedicated to supporting you in your journey to become an exceptional educator and throughout your teaching career.

Helping You Find Your Next Job

In partnership with school districts across Florida, we're here to make that transition smoother for you. We'll help set you up for success as a first-year teacher by helping you find a job while you complete the program.

We'll help with resume creation, job applications, and interview preparation.



Frequently Asked Questions



Do I Need A Bachelor's Degree to Apply For an EPI?

A bachelor's degree is required to apply for the Florida Teachers of Tomorrow program. Your bachelor's degree can be in any area or field.

If you meet this requirement, apply and embark on your journey to becoming a certified educator through our program.

Does Florida Teachers of Tomorrow Take Any Financial Aid?

Teachers of Tomorrow is not eligible for any federal financial aid. However, we provide annual scholarships and work with school districts to create financial opportunities to ease the transition into a teaching career.

We also offer flexible payment plans helping aspiring educators get access to high-quality teacher education.

Does Florida Teachers of Tomorrow Offer Any Assistance to Military Workers?

YES. Florida Teachers of Tomorrow supports military personnel, and veterans in pursuing a teaching career.

We offer reduced program costs of up to \$100 and self-paced training options to aid in a smooth transition to the teaching profession.

How Long Does it Take to Complete the EPI?

The program is designed to be flexible, allowing you to work at your own pace.

How long does it take to complete the course work to begin teaching? **As little as three months.**

How long does it take to complete the ACP? As little as a year

Remember, you can start teaching and earning full pay and benefits after completing your coursework, before your full certification.

Does Florida Teachers of Tomorrow Offer Job- Seeking Assistance?

Florida Teachers of Tomorrow works closely with accredited school districts across the country to get our educators in the classroom.

After becoming eligible, our team will guide you through the application and interview process.

You can select from available teaching positions within school districts in Florida, and our support team will assist you in securing a position that aligns with your preferences and qualifications.

We're here to ensure a smooth transition into your teaching career, from certification to employment.

Keeping our mission

At Florida Teachers of Tomorrow, we are dedicated to developing outstanding educators who have a profound, positive impact on their schools and communities. Founded in 2005, we've become the nation's top educator preparation institute.

We are proud of our strong collaborations with aspiring educators, supporting them through every step of their teaching careers. Our strong district partnerships allow us to connect our certified educators with schools in need of teachers to ensure every student has access to a quality education. In today's educational landscape, your classroom presence is crucial.

Together, we are shaping the future of education.