Road to NYS Teacher Certification
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Teacher Certification Process

- Choose the best preparation pathway
- Find the certification requirements
- Create a TEACH account
- Take all required assessments
- Take all required workshops
- Submit credentials and documents
- Apply for certification
Pathways to Teacher Certification

- Approved Teacher Preparation
  - Traditional Certification
  - Alternative Certification

- Individual Evaluation
  - Persons educated outside United States
  - Persons not graduated from a teacher preparation program
Pathways to Teacher Certification (continued)

- Interstate Reciprocity
- National Board Certified
Basic Certification Requirements

- **Preparation**
  - Academic coursework
  - Pedagogical coursework
  - Student teaching/practical experience

- **Assessments**
  - Educating All Students Test (EAS)
  - edTPA (Teacher Performance Portfolio Assessment)
  - Content Specialty Test (CST)
  - Bilingual Education Assessment (BEA)
Basic Certification Requirements (continued)

- Workshops
  - Child Abuse Identification
  - School Violence Intervention and Preventions
  - Dignity for All Students Act
- Fingerprint Clearance
Types of Certifications

- Initial
- Professional
- Internship
- Transitional A
- Transitional B
- Transitional C
- Transitional G
- Supplemental
- Bilingual Extension
Types of Certifications

- **Initial**
  - entry-level certificate for classroom teachers (issued in specific subject/grade titles)
  - Valid for five years

- **Professional**
  - advanced-level certificate for classroom teachers (issued in specific subject/grade titles)
Types of Certifications

- Internship Certificate
  - issued to a student in a NYS registered/approved graduate teacher education program which includes an internship experience(s)
  - student must be 50% through the program and program determines student is eligible
Types of Certifications

- Transitional A

  issued to an individual in a specific career and technical education title in a NYS school district or BOCES who does not meet the requirements for an Initial Certificate, but who possesses the requisite occupational experience.
Types of Certifications

- Transitional B
  - issued to permit an individual to work as a classroom teacher in a New York State public school
  - individual must be enrolled in a New York State Transitional B program
  - placement is required in a partnering school district
Types of Certifications

- Transitional C
  - Hold a graduate academic or graduate professional degree from a regionally accredited institution
  - Individual must be enrolled in a New York State Transitional C program
  - Placement is required in a partnering school district
  - Issued to permit an individual to work as a classroom teacher in a New York State public school
Types of Certifications

- **Transitional C (Continue)**
  - Complete the following workshops
    - Child Abuse Identification
    - School violence Intervention and Prevention
    - Dignity for All Students Act
  - Fingerprint clearance
  - Complete required teacher certification exams including the
    - Educating All Students Test (EST) and
    - Subject Specific Content Specialty Test (CST)
Types of Certifications

- Transitional G
  - permits a college professor (who holds a graduate degree in any area for which there is a certificate title)
  - successfully taught the subject of the certificate area at the college level for at least two years within the ten years immediately preceding the application)
  - school district must submit recommendation
Types of Certifications

- Supplemental
  - issued to New York State certified classroom teachers to enable them to teach in a different subject area where a shortage exists
  - district must submit a recommendation
Types of Certifications

- Bilingual Extension

An extension of this type is attached to a valid base certificate, authorizing the holder to teach bilingual education. The individual must hold the appropriate base certificate.

Alternative Teacher Preparation Programs

http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/alternative-teacher-preparation-programs

http://www.nysed.gov/college-university-evaluation/summary-requirements-transitional-c-certificate
Identifying Certification Requirements

http://eservices.nysed.gov/teach/certhelp/CertRequirementHelp.do
Creating a TEACH account

http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/selfreg.html
Opportunities

New York City

- Teaching Fellows Program
  - [http://nycteachingfellows.org/](http://nycteachingfellows.org/)
  - Application deadline: January 23, 2019
  - Program start: June 2019
Federal Grants and Loan Forgiveness

- TEACH Grant

- Stafford Loan Forgiveness Program for Teachers

- Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)
Resources:

- Certification Requirements

- Pathways to Certification

- Applying for Certification
Resources: (continued)

- NYS Inventory of Registered Program
  http://www.nysed.gov/heds/irpsl1.html

- CUNY Education Program Grid
Resources: (continued)

- Citizenship/Immigration Status
  http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/citizenshipreq.html
Reflections? Questions?
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