

No Child Left Behind Act
Chart for Highly Qualified Teacher Requirements
Grades K-5 - Exceptional Student Education
Self- Contained or Coteach Classrooms - Regular and Alternate Achievement Standards

Less Than One Year of Teaching Experience

Elementary Education

Option 1:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND Elementary Education K-6 (graduates of Florida state-approved programs or reciprocity with other states if the out-of-state certificate is valid and standard)

Option 2:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND a passing score on the Florida Teacher Certification subject area examination in Elementary Education K-6

Option 3:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND a valid American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) Passport Certificate in Elementary Education

At Least One Year of Teaching Experience

Elementary Education

Option 1:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND a passing score on the Florida Teacher Certification subject area examination in Elementary Education 1-6 or K-6

Option 2:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND [Verification of a Highly Qualified Subject Area Content Test](#) from another state documenting passing another state's subject area examination in Elementary Education

Option 3:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND [Verification of a Highly Qualified Florida HOUSSE Plan](#) in Elementary Education

Option 4:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND [Verification of a Highly Qualified Out-of-State HOUSSE Plan](#) in Elementary Education

Option 5:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate in the appropriate ESE coverage AND a valid National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certificate in Middle Childhood Generalist (equivalent to Florida's Elementary Education K-6 coverage)

Option 6:

Eligible for or holds a valid Florida Temporary or Professional Certificate the appropriate ESE coverage and a valid American Board Certification for Teaching Excellence (ABCTE) Passport Certificate in Elementary Education (equivalent to Florida's Elementary Education K-6 coverage)