

# School Board of Brevard County

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## STEPS TO TEACHER CERTIFICATION

- The first step toward being qualified to be hired and eligible for a three year Temporary Certificate is you must have a Bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college/university. If you have foreign transcripts they must be evaluated by an approved credential evaluation agency.  
<http://www.fldoe.org/edcert/ApprovedCredential.asp>
- The next step is to take and pass the subject area exam in the subject area/grade level you want to teach (Elementary Ed. K-6, Music, Math, English, etc.). Go to this website to register [www.fl.nesinc.com](http://www.fl.nesinc.com) . You can acquire the study guides from the website, Barnes & Noble or order online at [www.Xamonline.com](http://www.Xamonline.com) .
- Once you pass the subject area test apply to the Florida Department of Education for that subject area(s) <https://certify.fldoe.org/publicweb/default.aspx>. Be sure to send official transcripts with your degree conferred and your complete social security number noted to the Florida Department of Education.
- The Florida Department of Education will send you a Statement of Status of Eligibility stating you are eligible for the three year nonrenewable Temporary Certificate. You may be eligible to teach while completing the requirements stated on the Statement of Status of Eligibility. Brevard Public Schools district personnel will advise you of any additional requirements for employment in our school district and compliance with the federal No Child Left Behind Act.
- The Statement of Status of Eligibility will list the requirements to be completed while you hold the three year nonrenewable Temporary Certificate in order to receive a five year renewable Professional Certificate. Some of the requirements will include the following and must be completed by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year your certificate expires except for the General Knowledge test:
  - ✓ Passing score on the General Knowledge test which includes Math, Reading, Essay and English. This must be complete by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year hired.
  - ✓ Passing score on the Professional Education test (by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year your temporary certificate expires).
  - ✓ Completion of the new teacher induction program (completed by the Administrator).
  - ✓ One year of full-time teaching experience.
  - ✓ Education courses may be required. The Florida Department of Education will make this determination upon review of your transcript. An additional 18 credit hours (+/-) may be needed and must be completed by May 1<sup>st</sup> of the year your Temporary Certificate expires.

Once you receive your Statement of Status of Eligibility from the Florida Department of Education you can choose a path to complete your educational course requirements such as attending an accredited college/university or you may be eligible to apply to the Brevard Public Schools Professional Development Certification Program.

You must have a **completed** employment application on file [www.brevardschools.org](http://www.brevardschools.org) (BEACON) to apply for available positions in your area of certification.

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