

Teacher Certification Programs

Initial Certification:

- Clinical practice based model, in a classroom, with an experienced professional coach. You learn how to teach while facing real time issues and receiving immediate, customized feedback.
- Online modules allow background and supplemental learning to be done at the candidate's pace.
- A flexible timeline means candidates can finish in as little as one semester or up to a year.
- **Open entrance** means candidates don't have to wait months to begin the program. Candidates start when it works best for their lives.
- Collaborative support is essential to this process and our model ensures that all parties, the school, the district and NWED personnel, are focused on the candidate's success.

Our model of teacher education is designed to have **fewer** barriers to entry and **encourage candidates** from **non-traditional backgrounds** to enter the profession.

Getting Started:

STEP 1 Fill out an application

STEP 2 Sign up for and take the WEST-B (if needed)

STEP 3 Send in copies of all transcripts and test scores*

STEP 4 Interview

STEP 5 Get your decision

STEP 6 Accept your place in the program and start taking modules!

*WEST-B scores (or equivalent) and copies of your transcripts, must be received before a decision is made on your file.

Required Tests:

- WEST-B or equivalent**: Basic skills test required for admission
- NES/WEST-E: Content test required for each endorsement
- ACTFL OPI/WPT: Fluency test required for World Language candidates

**More information on equivalent tests can be found on our website.

Costs:

- \$9,900 (single endorsement)
- \$11,400 for dual endorsement with Special Education
- Pay as you go and no interest payment plans available!

Northwest Educational Development is a non-profit organization that seeks to improve the overall educational landscape through the intentional recruitment, training, and retooling of practitioners in a clinical-practice based model of teacher education.



Our **innovative programs** were designed by current and former classroom teachers, administrators, counselors, and teacher educators to be **flexible**, **affordable** and **accessible**.

Endorsements Available (Grades)

Biology (5-12)

Chemistry (5-12)

Early Childhood Education (P-3)

Elementary (K-8)

English Language Arts (5-12)

Mathematics (5-12)

Social Studies (5-12)

Special Education (P-12)

World Language (P-12)

We are committed to
working collaboratively
with partnership districts to
create options that increase
the diversity of candidates
going into teaching.