

Private Academic Certificate – Elementary Teacher

Section 55.11. Teachers.

In addition to the general requirements of Sections 51.31 and 51.34 (relating to general requirements; and certification for teachers), elementary school teachers shall meet one of the following requirements:

Be a graduate of an approved 4-year college or university with a Pennsylvania teaching certificate in elementary education to teach grades K through 6, or a Pennsylvania early childhood certificate to teach grades N through 3.

Be a graduate of an approved 4-year college or university and shall apply for a private academic teaching certificate by submitting documentary evidence of the successful completion of a minimum of 18 semester hours in the theory of elementary education.

Be a graduate of an approved 4-year college or university and submit documentary evidence of a minimum of 2 years of successful teaching experience in a public, nonpublic nonlicensed or accredited elementary school.