Federal TEACH Grant Application

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Last Name   First Name   Student ID #   Phone   Academic Year

Grant Information:

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant program provides up to $4,000 per year ($16,000 total for a 4-year program) in grants to undergraduate students who commit to **(1)** teaching full-time, **(2)** teaching in a high-need subject area **(3)** for at least 4 years within 8 calendar years of completing the program for which you receive the grant, and **(4)** teach at schools that serve students from low-income families. Graduate students may be eligible for $4,000 per year ($8,000) total with the same commitment. If the commitment is not fulfilled, the grant will be permanently converted into a loan to be repaid by the recipient. The loan will be an unsubsidized Direct Federal Stafford Loan with interest that is capitalized; meaning interest is calculated from the time of the grant disbursement.

http://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/teach-grant.pdf

Student Eligibility:

To determine eligibility for this grant, you must:

- Have already completed the FAFSA for the academic year for which you are applying for this grant,
- Have declared or intend to declare an undergrad major in a high need teaching field of Math Ed, Science Ed, Spanish, Special Ed, or Cherokee Ed **OR** have a graduate major of Reading Ed, Math Ed, Science Ed, or Special Ed.
- Be enrolled in courses that are necessary for your major
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale **OR**
- Have scored above the 75th percentile on an admissions test such as the SAT, ACT, GRE or MAT

You must also:

- Complete the TEACH grant counseling at https://studentaid.gov/app/launchTeach.action
- Sign a TEACH grant Agreement to Serve (ATS), each year at https://studentaid.gov/app/launchTeach.action
- Teach for at least four years within 8 calendar years of completing your program in a school serving low-income families (view the annual school directory at https://studentaid.gov/app/tcliDirectorySearch.action)
- Provide documentation to the U.S. Department of Education each year that you completed your teaching obligation.

☐ Please check this box if you are an undeclared freshman with less than 15 credit hours who intends to declare a major in one of the majors listed above.

Student Certification:

I understand that the TEACH grant program has specific service obligations that must be met in order for the award to remain as a grant. If I fail to meet all of the conditions of the award or if the service is not documented as required, I understand that the award will permanently convert to an unsubsidized Direct Federal Loan and that I will be responsible to repay this loan with interest calculated from the disbursement date of the grant. I also understand that once a TEACH grant is converted to a loan; it cannot be converted back to a grant.

Student Signature:_____ Date:_____

*This document is used for internal use to determine initial eligibility and is not a binding contract.
**Students must complete this application every academic year that they intend to apply for the TEACH grant.