

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 www.studentloans.gov/myDirectLoan/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.

Student Financial Services