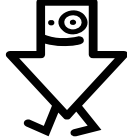


OPTIONS For Certification	Options for completion of Florida Professional Teaching Certificate Requirements For Career Changers and Non-Education Majors <i>Requirements and Information</i>				
	Description	Professional Educator Competency	State Exams	Participant Estimated Cost	Contact Information
Traditional	Complete Professional Preparation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 18-20 semester hours of appropriate education coursework (college/university level) * ▪ Practical teaching requirement * 6 hours may be waived with two years successful teaching experience	Complete A.P.P.L.E.S <i>(Accomplished Professional Practices for the Lee Educational System)</i>	Pass 3 exams General Knowledge, Professional Ed., Subject Area	College Tuition and Exams @ \$2,300.00	School District of Lee County Personnel Specialist http://personnel.leeschools.net Contact Number (239) 337-8197
District Alternative Certification	Complete a District Alternative Certification Program (DCP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A one to three year, online intensive training program ▪ Reading Competency 2 Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree & District Employee (Full-Time Instructional Personnel)	Fulfilled by program completion	Pass 3 exams General Knowledge, Professional Ed., Subject Area	Exams Only @ \$25.00 (Each)	District Certification Program Website OR Curriculum and Staff Development Center Coordinator for District Alternative Certification Program Contact Number (239) 337-8630
Educator Preparation Institutes	Complete Educator Preparation Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 22 weeks during the school year OR ▪ 7 weeks during the summer Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree	Fulfilled by program completion	Pass 3 exams General Knowledge, Professional Ed., Subject Area	Tuition, Textbooks and Exams @ \$1,800.00	Edison College Educator Preparation Institutes Coordinator Lee Campus www.edison.edu/epi Contact Number (239) 489-9017
Teacher Immersion Program	Complete Teacher Immersion Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 18 graduate credit semester hours of appropriate education coursework ▪ Practical teaching requirement Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree	Fulfilled by program completion	Pass 3 exams General Knowledge, Professional Ed. Subject Area	Tuition , Textbooks and Exams @ \$2,500.00	Florida Gulf Coast University College of Education (Scholarships are available in Math and Science) http://coe.fgcu.edu/tip.html Contact Number (800) 590-3428
American Board-Passport to Teaching	Complete Passport to Teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass a National Professional Ed Exam • Pass a National Subject Area Exam Eligibility: Bachelor's Degree	Complete A.P.P.L.E.S.	Fulfilled by successful completion of Passport to Teaching	Exams and Review Materials @ \$500.00 +	American Board For Certification of Teacher Excellence at www.abcte.org Contact Number (877) 669-2228