Tennessee Is Looking For The Teacher In You.

IF YOU'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO TEACH, HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Teach Tennessee

What you know can make a difference.

Governor Bredesen's Teach Tennessee program is a unique path to teacher licensure for exceptional mid-career professionals who demonstrate expert knowledge and want to make a positive difference in the lives of Tennessee's students.

We'll Teach You
TO BE A TEACHER

The highly innovative Teach Tennessee program provides selected qualified candidates an expedited licensure path, with developmental skills in lesson planning, teaching strategies, classroom management; a mentoring program for the classroom; and more.

Now in its fourth year, the program has produced 167 Teach Tennessee Fellows who are now leading classrooms throughout the state.

Already highly successful, Teach Tennessee is an actively supported partnership with the Department, higher education and the State's school districts. Selected cohort candidates receive comprehensive training and support as well as personal attention. Because each of our candidates has unique professional skills, our approach to your professional development is flexible to respect that individuality. The program also includes individual mentoring, inside and outside the classroom. While Teach Tennessee is designed to be successful for you and your students, the process is continually reviewed and improved to assure continued

For more information visit the Teach Tennessee Web site at www.TeachTennessee.org.

LIKE YOU, OUR TEACH TENNESSEE FELLOWS COME FROM

A Variety of Professional Careers.

Chemists, accountants, veterinarians, a youth minister, software engineers, a police officer, a doctor, even a retired Marine…**all have become Teach Tennessee Fellows.**

Our Teaching Fellows are different, but so much alike. They're different by professional background and work experience; as well as by age and ethnicity.

But they're so much alike in their **desire to give something back**, to **stimulate and inspire** young minds, to share their knowledge, and in the process, **change a life for the better**…

Maybe even their own. Beginning with our inaugural cohort in 2005, Teach Tennessee Fellows continue to work their dream, while encouraging young minds to follow theirs.

QUICK FACTS

Minimum qualifications

- A bachelor's degree, and either 24 semester hours of college credit with a grade point average of 3.0 in the content area you intend to teach, or have passed the Praxis II (specialty area) exam in that subject.
- Five years of work experience in your subject area (visit our Web site for details at www.TeachTennessee.org).

Subject areas

- Math, science, foreign language and other required core subject areas in grades 7–12.

Who will be chosen

- First preference goes to prospective teachers of mathematics, sciences and foreign languages
- Selection favors those wanting to teach in hard-to-staff school districts (urban and rural schools).

Think You Belong In The Classroom?

HERE'S WHAT SOME OF OUR TEACH TENNESSEE FELLOWS HAVE DISCOVERED:

"I want to make a difference in peoples' lives. I don't want to have my success measured in dollars gained, but in lives changed."

— Chemist/Engineer from New Jersey teaching Honors Trigonometry and Applied Calculus in Memphis City Schools

"Teach Tennessee has Changed my life. I feel like I am doing exactly what I was meant to do, and I feel like I'm going to make a difference doing it."

—Chemist teaching Chemistry in Nashville

"The Teach Tennessee Program gave me the foundation of information I would need to begin teaching and the support system for confidence to start a new career in education."

— Nutritional Scientist teaching Chemisty in Rutherford County

"Throughout my first year of teaching, I found myself questioning if I was too old to change careers and still be successful. What I found is the desire to make a difference in the life of a child was the secret ingredient needed to be successful."

— Engineer teaching Algebra in Knox County

Teach Tennessee is a most innovative and rewarding way of meeting the important goal of educating our children. You're invited to share in that vision. For information or to request an application packet, please visit www.TeachTennessee.org, or call 615-532-2843.

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