

# Teacher, Elementary School

## PANHANDLE

*Average Wage*

**\$18.25**

*Average Annual*

*Job Openings*

**130**

*Employment in*

2004	2014
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2,450	3,200
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## TEXAS

*Average Wage*

**\$24.61**

*Average Annual*

*Job Openings*

**8,035**

*Employment in*

2004	2014
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128,700	180,650
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## UNITED STATES

*Employment in*

*2006*

**1,509,180**

*Female* **81%**

*Minority* **26%**

## EMPLOYMENT CODES

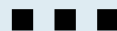
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*Elementary School Teachers,  
Except Special Education*

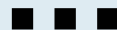
## JOB DESCRIPTION

Teach elementary pupils in public or private schools basic academic, social, and other formative skills; maintain order and discipline in the classroom and on the playground; and discuss pupils' academic progress with parents.



## SKILLS AND APTITUDES NEEDED

- ◆ Ability to communicate clearly
- ◆ Ability to inspire trust, confidence
- ◆ Ability to motivate students and understand their educational and emotional needs
- ◆ Be organized, dependable, patient, and creative



Elementary teachers must be able to recognize and respond to individual differences in students, and employ different teaching methods that will result in higher student achievement. They prepare a teaching outline for the course of study and prepare, administer, grade and record tests for their students.

Most elementary teachers instruct one class of children in several subjects. In some schools, two or more teachers work as a team and are jointly responsible for a group of students in at least one subject. In other schools, a teacher may teach one subject to a number of classes, such as music, art, reading, science, math, or physical education. A small number of teachers instruct multilevel classrooms, with students at several different learning levels.

## PANHANDLE AREA PUBLIC TRAINING PROVIDERS

Training Provider	Direct Training	Related Training	Education Offering
<b>Amarillo College</b> Amarillo, Dumas, Hereford		√	A.A. (Associate of Arts Degree), General Studies Major-Education Degree Plan
<b>Clarendon College</b> Clarendon, Pampa		√	A.A. (Associate of Arts Degree), Elementary Education (4-8) Major
<b>Wayland Baptist University</b> Amarillo	√		B.S.I.S. (Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies Degree) Major (Teaching Field) Elementary/Middle School Education Certification
	√		B.A. (Bachelor of Arts Degree) Major (Teaching Field) - Middle School Education Certification
<b>West Texas A&amp;M University</b> Canyon	√		B.S. (Bachelor of Science Degree) Interdisciplinary Studies Major (EC-4 and 4-8 Certification)

For information on public training providers outside of the Panhandle Area, please refer to the Resource Index.

### LICENSE/CERTIFICATION

Required: Texas Teacher Certification (may be optional for private school teachers)

### HIGHEST EMPLOYMENT LEVELS BY INDUSTRY

Elementary/Secondary Schools

99%

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

American Federation of Teachers, 555 New Jersey Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20001, (202) 879-4400, <http://www.aft.org>

Education Resources Information Center (ERIC), 4483-A Forbes Blvd., Lanham, MD 20706, (800) 538-3742, <http://www.eric.ed.gov>

National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, 1525 Wilson Blvd., Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22209, (800) 228-3224, <http://www.nbpts.org>

National Education Association, 1201 16th St. NW, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 833-4000, <http://www.nea.org>

Texas Education Agency, 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, TX 78701-1494, (512) 463-9734, <http://www.tea.state.tx.us>

Texas State Teachers Association, 316 W. 12th St., Austin, TX 78701, toll free (877) 275-8782, <http://www.tsta.org>

For additional website sources, please refer to the Resource Index.

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