

Teacher, Secondary School

PANHANDLE

Average Wage
\$23.62

*Average Annual
Job Openings*
90

Employment in
2004 2014
1,650 2,100

TEXAS

Average Wage
\$25.64

*Average Annual
Job Openings*
5,640

Employment in
2004 2014
85,550 117,850

UNITED STATES

Employment in
2006
1,030,780

Female 62%
Minority 20%

EMPLOYMENT CODES

OES 31308

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*Secondary School Teachers,
Except Special
and Vocational Education*

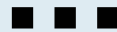
JOB DESCRIPTION

Instruct students in public or private schools in one or more subjects, such as English, mathematics, or social studies. May oversee study halls and homerooms and supervise extracurricular activities.



SKILLS AND APTITUDES NEEDED

- ◆ Ability to communicate clearly
- ◆ Ability to inspire trust, confidence
- ◆ Ability to motivate students
- ◆ Be organized, dependable, patient, and creative



Secondary school teachers instruct students in the subjects introduced in elementary school, but at a higher level of knowledge. Secondary teachers specialize in a specific subject, such as English, Spanish, mathematics, history, or biology. They may use films, slides, overhead projectors, and the latest technology in teaching, including computers, telecommunication systems, and video discs. Use of computer resources, such as educational software and the Internet, exposes students to a vast range of experiences and promotes interactive learning.

Teachers plan, evaluate, and assign lessons; prepare, administer, and grade tests; listen to oral presentations; and maintain classroom discipline. In many schools, teachers are increasingly involved in making decisions regarding the budget, personnel, textbook choices, curriculum design, and teaching methods.

PANHANDLE AREA PUBLIC TRAINING PROVIDERS

Training Provider	Direct Training	Related Training	Education Offering
Amarillo College Amarillo, Dumas, Hereford		√	A.A. (Associate of Arts Degree), General Studies Major-Education Degree Plan
Clarendon College Clarendon, Pampa		√	A.A. (Associate of Arts Degree), Secondary Education Major
Wayland Baptist University Amarillo	√		Teacher Certification (EC-12) Major: Teaching Content with BS, BA, or BM option
	√		Teacher Certification (8-12) Major: Teaching Content with BS, BA, or BBA option
West Texas A&M University Canyon	√		Teacher Certification (EC-12) Major: Teaching Content with BS, BA, or BM option
	√		Teacher Certification (8-12) Major: Teaching Content with BS, BA, or BBA option

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

100%

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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