

What is an Associate Educator License?

The Associate Educator License (AEL) is the process for individuals seeking to become a Utah teacher, but who have not completed an Educator Preparation Program (university-based or alternate program). The AEL is a temporary and nontransferable license.

The USBE requirements and instructions are found at:

www.schools.utah.gov/licensing/apply



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Alternative Pathway to Professional Educator License

APPEL Program

USBE Licensure Types:

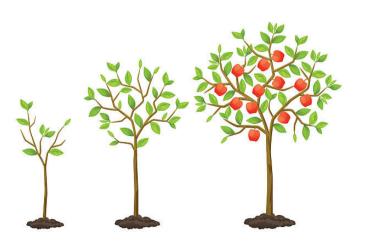
/ Local Education Agency
(LEA)-Specific Educator License

Educator has temporary authorization to teach requested by individual school district.

Associate Educator License (AEL)
Educator has met a minimum set of
educator requirements and is
completing a licensure program to
receive a Professional Educator License.

Professional Educator License (PEL)

Educator has completed all USBE Educator Licensing Requirements.





Steps to Obtain Professional License

- Step 1: Apply for Associate Educator License with USBE https://schools.utah.gov/licensing/apply
- Step 2: Apply for positions at JSD https://employment.jordandistrict. org/apply
- Step 3: Accept a job offer at JSD to be enrolled in APPEL program
- Step 4: Complete all USBE Licensing Requirements

Licensure Requirements

- Pedagogy Courses:
 - Five mandatory education courses offered through the partnering schools of higher education in the JSD program.
- Content/Subject Area:
 - For Elementary:
 - Courses in elementary content areas and Foundations of Reading Assessment.
 - For Secondary:
 - Fulfillment of endorsement requirements in specific subject areas.
- Clinical Experience:
 - Involves observing a teacher at the same school for at least half a day and observing a teacher at a different JSD school for another half a day.
- Educator Competencies:
 - Achieved through an Effective or Highly Effective educator evaluation (JPAS) within the APPEL Domains.
- Completion of Pedagogical Performance Assessment (PPAT):
 - A portfolio assessment conducted by Educational Testing Services (ETS): https://www.ets.org/ppa/testtakers/teachers/prepare
- Educator Dispositions:
 - Demonstrates proficiency in curriculum creation, instructional delivery, adaptive teaching, student assessment, and reflective teaching practices.
- Recommendation for Professional Educator License
 - Upon successful completion of the APPEL program, the HR Licensing Specialist recommends the Associate Educator to the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) for a Professional Educator License.