

QuEST Career Seekers

Pathway To A College Degree
And Teacher Certification
For Plano ISD Graduates



Work for Plano
ISD right out of
high school!

Earn your
college degree
for free!

Overview

*WHO, WHAT,
HOW + WHY?*



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- Pathway for eligible Plano ISD students seeking to earn a bachelor's degree and teacher certification
- Partnership with Teachworthy and Indiana Wesleyan University
- Financial support from Plano ISD
- Stay with Plano ISD for at least two years as a teacher once on a Standard Certificate

Partnerships

**EPP +
UNIVERSITY**



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→ Teachworthy



◆ TEA approved Alternative Certification Program

→ Indiana Wesleyan University



◆ Individual degree plan to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Integrative Studies

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Degree

**BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE IN
INTEGRATED
STUDIES**



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- 80 credit hours with IWU
 - ◆ IWU - degree plan based on certification preference
- 30 credit hours
 - ◆ Plano ISD Core-30 Coursework
- 10 credit hours
 - ◆ Teachworthy Coursework
 - ◆ Capturing Kids Hearts

Application Process

**YOU MUST BE SIGNED
IN TO YOUR PISD
GOOGLE ACCOUNT
TO ACCESS THE
APPLICATION**



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→ Complete the application

- ◆ Phone Number and Email
- ◆ Plano ISD High School
- ◆ Year of Graduation
- ◆ Desired Level and Content Area
- ◆ Responses to Prompts (2)
- ◆ Recommendations (3)



→ Deadline: May 7, 2023 at 11:59 PM

Next Steps after Program Acceptance

APPLICATION AND POSITIONS

- Complete Plano ISD Application for a classroom assistant position
- Work as a Classroom Assistant for 2 years
 - ◆ Plano ISD Core-30
 - ◆ Teachworthy Coursework
- Work as an Associate Teacher for 3+ years
 - ◆ Apply for open teaching positions of interest
 - ◆ Candidates will follow the normal hiring and selection process
 - ◆ Positions are not guaranteed to program participants
 - ◆ IWU Coursework



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Financial Information

CLASSROOM ASSISTANT



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→ Classroom Assistant

- ◆ 2 Years
- ◆ Income: ~\$20,000 (22-23 comp plan) + benefits
- ◆ Cost:
 - TEA Fingerprint Review: \$ 50.25 (one and done)
 - Educational Aide Certificate: \$17

→ Plano ISD

- ◆ Plano ISD Core-30 credit hours
- ◆ Teachworthy: \$1,500

Position
Descriptions

**ASSOCIATE
TEACHER**



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- Hired as an **Associate Teacher**
 - ◆ Work as a teacher in your classroom independently while completing degree and certification requirements
- Supported by an **Associate Teacher Advisor**
 - ◆ Enhances your growth and development through on-campus job-embedded support
 - ◆ Serves as teacher of record

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ASSOCIATE TEACHER



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Associate Teacher

- ◆ 3+ Years
- ◆ Income: \$43,593.44 (22-23 comp plan) + benefits
- ◆ Cost:
 - Certification Test(s): \$116 each



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- ◆ IWU 80 credit hours: \$18,720
- ◆ Associate Teacher Advisor

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INTERN CERTIFICATE



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Intern Certificate

- ◆ Statement of Eligibility with necessary certifications
- ◆ 1 year
- ◆ Income: \$58,250 (22-23 comp plan) + benefits
- ◆ Cost:
 - Teachworthy: \$3,000 (paid in monthly payments during Intern year)
 - Intern Certificate: \$78
 - Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities Test: \$116
 - Standard Certificate \$78



Plano ISD

- ◆ Full Time Teacher Pay + benefits

Exit Criteria

HOW TO STAY IN THE PROGRAM

- Participation in program is contingent upon employment with PISD
- T-TESS evaluation by principal as Associate Teacher
- Repeated lack of success in program coursework
- Program duration - Associate teacher for a maximum of 8 semesters



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Communication

**CONTACT US
WITH QUESTIONS**



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Program Acceptance or Denial
communicated no later than May 26th

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Questions



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