



# Maryland

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## Maryland Approved Alternative Preparation Program Directory

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**For information on Maryland Approved Programs: Alternative Preparation, contact the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), Division of Educator Certification and Program Approval, Program Approval and Assessment Branch at [pamela.darien@maryland.gov](mailto:pamela.darien@maryland.gov). For information about a specific program, or to seek guidance on entering a program, contact the local program contact listed in the directory.**

**All programs listed in this directory meet the content and pedagogy requirements necessary for State Program Approval. Programs undergo standards-based State Program Approval Peer Review on a five-year cycle.**

**For information on policies and procedures concerning Alternative Preparation, visit the MSDE Website, Division of Educator Certification and Program Approval, Teacher Preparation and Program Approval.**

## **Anne Arundel County**

### **Title of Program:**

AACC/AACPS Secondary RTC Program

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2013.**

### **Partners:**

Anne Arundel Community College

Anne Arundel County Public Schools

### **Certification Areas:**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Computer Science (grades 7-12)**

**Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**Family and Consumer Sciences (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Middle School: English Language Arts (grades 4-9)**

**Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)**

**Middle School: Science (grades 4-9)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Social Studies (grades 7-12)**

**Technology Education (grades 7-12)**

**World Languages (PreK-12) – French, Spanish**

**[Anne Arundel County Public Schools Alternative Teacher Certification Website](#)**

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## **Anne Arundel County**

### **Title of Program:**

The Resident Teacher Certificate (RTC) Program Special Education and Elementary or Secondary Education

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2011.**

### **Partners:**

Notre Dame of Maryland University  
Anne Arundel County Public Schools

### **Certification Areas:**

Completion of this program will result in dual certification in special education and either elementary education or a secondary content area.

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Earth/Space Science (grades 7-12)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**Geography (grades 7-12)**

**History (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Physical Science (grades 7-12)**

**Social Studies (grades 7-12)**

**Special Education: Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)**

**Special Education: Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)**

**[Anne Arundel County Public Schools Resident Teacher Certificate Program Website](#)**

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

Bard High School Early College Baltimore

**This program earned State Program Approval in 2016.**

### **Partners:**

Baltimore City Public School System

Bard College

### **Certification Areas:**

**Art (PreK-12)**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Chinese: World Language (PreK-12)**

**Dance (PreK-12)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Music (PreK-12)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Social Studies (grades 7-12)**

**Spanish: World Language (PreK-12)**

**Theater (grades 7-12)**

[Bard High School Early College Program](#)

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

Baltimore City Teaching Residency (BCTR)

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2015.**

### **Partners:**

Baltimore City Public School System

TNTP, Inc.

### **Certification Areas:**

**Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Special Education Elementary (grades 1-6)**

**[Baltimore City Teaching Residency Website](#)**

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

National Aspiring Principals Fellowship offered by New Leaders, Inc.

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2021**

### **Partners:**

Baltimore City Public School System

New Leaders, Inc.

### **Certification Areas:**

### **Administrator I/II**

<https://www.newleaders.org/blog/introducing-the-national-aspiring-principals-fellowship>

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

The TeachingWell Residency Program

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2023.**

### **Partners:**

Baltimore City Public School System

Johns Hopkins University

### **Certification Areas:**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Environmental Science (grades 7-12)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Middle School Mathematics (grades 4-9)**

**Middle School Science (grades 4-9)**

[Baltimore City Teaching Well Residency Program website](#)

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

Teach for America

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2016.**

### **Partners:**

Baltimore City Public School System

Teach For America

Johns Hopkins University

### **Certification Areas:**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**English for Speakers of Other Languages (PreK-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Middle School Mathematics (grades 4-9)**

**Middle School Science (grades 4-9)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Social Studies (grades 7-12)**

**Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)**

**Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)**

**World Languages (PreK-12)**

### **[Teach For America-Baltimore Website](#)**

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## **Baltimore City**

### **Title of Program:**

City Teaching Alliance

**This program received continued State Program Approval in 2015.**

### **Partners**

Baltimore City Public School System

American University

### **Certification Areas:**

**Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)/ Special Education Infant/Primary (birth-grade 3)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)/ Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)**

**Middle School: English Language Arts (grades 4-9)/ Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)**

**Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)/ Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)/ Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)**

**English (grades 7-12)/ Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

### **[City Teaching Alliance Website](#)**

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## Harford County

### **Title of Program:**

The TeachingWell Residency Program

**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2023.**

### **Partners:**

Harford County Public School System

Johns Hopkins University

### **Certification Areas:**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Environmental Science (grades 7-12)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Middle School Mathematics (grades 4-9)**

**Middle School Science (grades 4-9)**

[Harford County Teaching Well Residency Program website](#)

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Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities

**Title of Program:**

CCBC/MANSEF Special Education Residency Program

**This program earned State Program Approval in 2023.**

**Partners:**

The Community College of Baltimore County

Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities

**Certification Areas:**

**Special Education (grades 1-8)**

**Special Education (grades 6-adult)**

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## Montgomery County

### **Title of Program:**

MC/MCPS Alternative Certification for Effective Teachers (ACET)  
**This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2015.**

### **Partners:**

Montgomery College  
Montgomery County Public Schools

### **Certification Areas:**

**Biology (grades 7-12)**  
**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**  
**Computer Science (grades 7-12)**  
**English (grades 7-12)**  
**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**  
**Middle School Mathematics (grades 4 - 9)**  
**Middle School Science (grades 4 - 9)**  
**Physics (grades 7-12)**  
**Technology Education (grades 7-12)**  
**World Languages (PreK-12) (*French and Spanish only*)**

### **[Alternative Certification for Effective Teachers \(ACET\) Website](#)**

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## Montgomery County

### **Title of Program:**

Montgomery College Early Childhood Education Alternative Certification Program (ECACP) leading to resident teacher status and state of Maryland certification in Pre-K – 3rd grade.  
**This program earned State Program Approval in 2022.**

### **Partners:**

Montgomery College  
Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS)

### **Certification Area:**

**Early Childhood Education (Pre-K – 3)**

**[Montgomery College Early Childhood Alternative Certification Program website](#)**

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## Prince George's County

### **Title of Program:**

The Resident Teacher Certificate (RTC) for Special Education and Elementary/Secondary Education

**This program received continued State Program Approval in 2013.**

### **Partners:**

Notre Dame of Maryland University  
Prince George's County Public Schools

### **Certification Areas:**

Completion of this program will result in dual certification in special education and either elementary education or a secondary content area.

**Biology (grades 7-12)**

**Chemistry (grades 7-12)**

**Earth/Space Science (grades 7-12)**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**English (grades 7-12)**

**Environmental Sciences (grades 7-12)**

**History (grades 7-12)**

**Mathematics (grades 7-12)**

**Physics (grades 7-12)**

**Social Studies (grades 7-12)**

**Special Education: Elementary (grades 1-6)**

**[Prince George's County and Notre Dame of Maryland Special Education Dual-Certification Website](#)**

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## Prince George's County

### **Title of Program:**

Prince George's County Resident Teacher Program

**This program earned initial State Program Approval in 2020.**

### **Partners:**

Prince George's County Public Schools

### **Certification Area:**

**Elementary Education (grades 1-6)**

**ESOL (PreK-12)**

**[Prince George's County Resident Teacher Program Website](#)**

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