



*Maryland Approved Program Directory:
Alternative Preparation
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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: AACCC/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)	Middle School: English Language Arts (grades 4-9)
Chemistry (grades 7-12)	Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)
Computer Science (grades 7-12)	Middle School: Science (grades 4-9)
English (grades 7-12)	Physics (grades 7-12)
Family and Consumer Sciences (grades 7-12)	Social Studies (grades 7-12)
Mathematics (grades 7-12)	Technology Education (grades 7-12)
	World Languages (PreK-12)

[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-City Schools MAAPP (Bard)
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)

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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
The New Teacher Project

Certification Areas:

Biology (grades 7-12)	Mathematics (grades 7-12)
Chemistry (grades 7-12)	Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)
Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)	Special Education: Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)
Elementary Education (grades 1-6)	
English (grades 7-12)	

[Baltimore City Teaching Residency 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: Urban Teachers

This program received continued State Program Approval in 2015.

Partners

Baltimore City Public School System

Johns Hopkins University

Certification Areas:

Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)

Elementary Education (grades 1-6)

English (grades 7-12)

Mathematics (grades 7-12)

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

Middle School: Mathematics (grades 4-9)

Special Education Infant/Primary (birth-grade 3)

Special Education Elementary/Middle (grades 1-8)

Special Education Secondary/Adult (grades 6-adult)

[Urban Teachers Website](#)

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

[Alternative Certification for Effective Teachers \(ACET\) 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)

History (grades 7-12)

Mathematics (grades 7-12)

Physics (grades 7-12)

Social Studies (grades 7-12)

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

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

[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: Teach For America-D.C. Region
This program earned continued State Program Approval in 2017.

Partners:

Prince George's County Public Schools
Teach For America
Johns Hopkins University

Certification Areas

Biology (grades 7-12)	English (grades 7-12)
Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)	Mathematics (grades 7-12)
Elementary Education (grades 1-6)	World Languages (PreK-12)

[Teach for America Website](#)

[Prince George's County and Teach For America 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 Areas

Elementary Education (grades 1-6)

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

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