



Texas Tech University  
College of Education  
Teacher Certification Expenses

We do our best to keep this list up-to-date, but third parties may add or change fees without notice.

Educator Preparation Program Requirements	Description	Fees
<a href="#">Admission</a>	Application to <a href="#">Texas Tech University</a>	\$77 – may be waived with an EFI of \$0 on financial aid application.
	Application to <a href="#">TechTeach Program</a>	\$0
	Pre-Admission Content Exam (PACE)	\$30 non-refundable
	Texas Education Agency (TEA) <a href="#">Technology Fee</a>	\$35 non-refundable
	<a href="#">Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation</a> of Educator Certification <sup>1</sup>	\$50 non-refundable (optional)
<b>Courses</b>	University Tuition and Fees	See <a href="#">Tuition and Fee Information</a>
<b>Certification Exams</b>	<a href="#">Testing Vendor Registration Fee</a> <sup>2</sup>	\$116 non-refundable (per exam, per attempt, includes Content, SoTR, PPR, and any Supplementals, if applicable)
	<a href="#">Test Preparation</a> <sup>3</sup>	Teacher Candidates are responsible for purchasing their own study materials.
	edTPA Registration Fee <sup>4</sup>	\$311 non-refundable
	Tk20 (Data Management) Fee	\$113 non-refundable
<b>Student Teaching/Field Experience</b>	Transportation	Students are responsible for transportation to and from the Field Experience, Student Teaching, Internship, or Practicum campus.
	Cost of Living	Student Teaching is unpaid, but it requires the time commitment of a full-time job. Student Teachers are advised against employment during the Student Teaching semester.
<b>Graduation</b>	Regalia	\$73.96 + tax
	Honors Cord	\$15.98
<b>Issuance of Standard Certificate</b>	Fingerprinting/Background Check <sup>5</sup>	\$50 non-refundable
	TEA State Application Fee	\$78 non-refundable



<sup>1</sup> The Preliminary Criminal History Evaluation is encouraged for certification candidates who are aware that they have a previous record. This is optional for all students.

<sup>2</sup> Content exam must be passed in the junior year. For Elementary and Middle Level English, Science of teaching reading must also be passed in the junior year in addition to the content exam. All other exams, including PPR (until 2022 – being replaced by edTPA), Special Education, English as a Second Language, Bilingual Education and/or BTLPT can be taken within the senior year.  
\*Supplemental Exams are not required for certification and are optional.

<sup>3</sup> A subscription to [240Tutoring](#) is required for all TechTeach students until they pass their content certification exam. The fee is approximately \$50 per semester.

<sup>4</sup> edTPA is currently being piloted by our the TechTeach Program. This pilot will continue through 2021.

<sup>5</sup>\$50 is an estimated amount. Fingerprinting and Background Check costs vary depending on the level of Background Check.