

What is Transition to Teaching?

The Fort Worth Independent School District Transition to Teaching program is for recent college graduates who have not majored in education and mid-career professionals who wish to become teachers in the high-need areas of secondary school math and science.

The Transition to Teaching program utilizes grant money from the Department of Education to offer a tuition stipend for individuals to obtain a Master of Arts degree from Texas Woman's University through a collaborative effort with the Fort Worth ISD.



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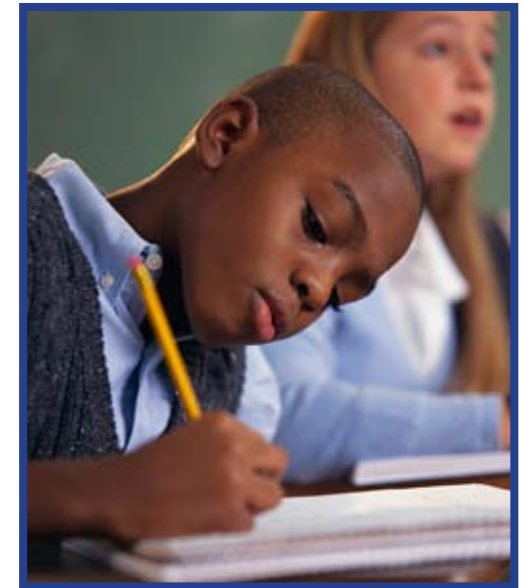
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...change the lives of children.

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HQ-ED Project

A collaborative program between FWISD and Texas Woman's University

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What are the benefits?

- \$5,000 stipend for graduate school
- Ability to work full-time while working towards certification
- Certification fields available: 8-12 Physical Science, 8-12 Chemistry, 8-12 Composite Science, 4-8 Mathematics, 8-12 Mathematics
- Master of Arts in Teaching from Texas Woman's University
- Teach for FWISD for three years upon successful completion of the program

Who is eligible?

Candidates must:

- Hold a bachelor's degree
- Not be certified to teach
- Be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident
- Meet the requirements for admission to Graduate School at Texas Woman's University

Criteria for the MAT Program

- 3.0 or higher GPA on the last 60 semester hours of college work
- 2.5 or higher GPA on all previous college work
- Texas Higher Education Assessment test scores of:
 - 260 or higher in Reading
 - 240 or higher in Math
 - 240 or higher in Written Language

Master of Arts in Teaching

The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) is an interdisciplinary degree designed to prepare students who hold a baccalaureate degree but do not have initial teacher certification. Most of the courses are offered through distance learning on the Internet, in the evenings, or on Saturdays.

The MAT degree program focuses on:

- The multiple roles of a teacher as a researcher / scholar / practitioner
- Theory and research-based practices for curriculum design and instruction
- Increased content knowledge needed for instruction
- Application of appropriate technology in education
- Assessment of teaching and learning
- Understanding of socio-cultural and learning differences among students

New teacher preparation

The FWISD and TWU work together to offer new teachers with support that ensures:

- Solid knowledge of Math and Science content
- Skills to integrate technology into teaching methods
- Scientifically-based teaching strategies that address diversity
- Solid support in a teacher induction program that provides mentoring and development

How to apply

- Candidates should complete the Texas Common Application for graduate Admission online at:

<http://www.twu.edu/mat/>
or call 940-898-2186.

- Complete the Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) at:
<http://www.thea.nesinc.com/>
- Contact Vivian Frick at the Fort Worth ISD Transition to Teaching Grant Coordinator
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Transition to Teaching is an alternative route to teacher certification!