

**ONE YEAR ALTERNATE ROUTE LICENSE**  
**Teach for America Elementary Education K-3 for Critical Shortage Areas**  
**Teach for America Elementary Education 4-8**

License	Requirement	Validity	Conversion/Renewal
Class A	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hold a bachelor's degree (non-education) from a regionally/ nationally accredited institution of higher learning</li> <li>2. Pass Praxis I (Pre-Professional Skills Test-PPST)</li> <li>3. Pass Praxis II Elementary Education #10014 (alternate route)</li> <li>4. Pass Praxis II Elementary Education #10016</li> <li>5. Apply for entrance into Teach for America Program</li> <li>6. Complete 9 hours of pre-teaching courses in Teach for America Program</li> <li>7. Secure Verification of Program Completion</li> <li>8. Apply for a One Year Alternate Route license</li> </ol>	1 year	<p><u>To Convert to a Five Year Elementary 4-8 Alternate Route license:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Secure a teaching position.</li> <li>2. Complete 1 year supervised internship</li> <li>3. TFA Professional Development including Barksdale Reading Institute literacy training</li> <li>4. Secure Verification of Program Completion</li> <li>5. Apply for a Five Year Alternate Route Elementary 4-8 License</li> </ol> <p><u>To Convert to a Three Year Elementary K-3 Alternate Route license for Critical Shortage Districts:</u> <i>(participants are restricted to teaching in Critical Shortage school districts in Mississippi. This license would not be transportable to other states.)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Secure a teaching position.</li> <li>2. Complete 1 year supervised internship</li> <li>3. TFA Professional Development including Barksdale Reading Institute literacy training</li> <li>3. Secure Verification of Program Completion</li> <li>4. Apply for a Three Year Alternate Route Elementary K-3 CSA License</li> </ol> <p><u>To Convert the Three Year Elementary K-3 Alternate Route license for Critical Shortage Districts to a Five Year K-3 CSA license:</u> <i>(participants are restricted to teaching in Critical Shortage school districts in Mississippi. This license would not be transportable to other states.)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Verification of continued employment in a Critical Shortage district in a K-3 classroom.</li> <li>2. Verification of participation in Mentoring and Induction</li> <li>3. Participate in TFA Longitudinal Study to compare alternatively prepared teachers to traditionally prepared teachers</li> <li>4. Documentation of student progress</li> <li>5. Apply for Five Year Alternate Route K-3 Elementary CSA License</li> </ol>

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