



Educators use their ability to communicate ideas, facts, and abstract concepts to help individuals learn. They must be patient and have the ability to maintain composure in stressful situations. Teachers also must be able to relate to and establish rapport with people from diverse backgrounds. In addition to enthusiasm, they should be sensitive, warm, friendly, and have a love of learning and children. Those working with adults should also enjoy working and being with people. Teachers need to possess integrity, endurance, and objectivity, and paramount is the ability to inspire and motivate. The desire for intellectual growth is vital as is life long learning. Teachers need to stay current on the latest theories in curriculum, methodology, as well as technology and its use in the classroom.

RELATED OCCUPATIONS

- » Adult Education Teacher
- » Assistant Principal
- » Business Education Teacher
- » Christian Education Worker
- » Corporate Trainer
- » Curriculum Specialist
- » Day Care Administrator
- » Education Consultant
- » Educational Researcher
- » Education and Training Administrator
- » Educational Materials Sales Representative
- » Elementary Teacher
- » Kindergarten Teacher
- » Librarian
- » Library Consultant
- » Media Center Specialist
- » Museum Educator
- » Physical Education Teacher
- » Preschool Teacher
- » Principal
- » Resource Teacher
- » Secondary School Teacher
- » Special Education Teacher
- » Teacher, Adventure/Outdoor Education
- » Social Services Volunteer (Vista/AmeriCorps/Peace Corps)

Some of these career options require additional training and/or education.

INTERNET RESOURCES

- » School of Education degree programs, University of Colorado at Denver <http://soe.cudenver.edu>
- » What can I do with this education degree? // University of North Carolina at Wilmington www.uncwil.edu/stuaff/career/Majors/education.htm
- » Coalition of Essential Schools National www.essentialschools.org/cs/resources/view/ces_res/137
- » Colorado Department of Education www.cde.state.co.us/
- » Colorado Education Jobs www.coloradoeducationjobs.com/
- » Colorado Loan Incentive for Teachers <http://www.collegeinvest.org/How%20Our%20Loans%20Help/LIFTLoan.htm>
- » Colorado Writing Project www.coloradowritingproject.org/
- » Education America, Job Postings www.educationamerica.net/
- » Education Commission of the States www.ecs.org/
- » Education Week, on-line teacher magazine www.edweek.org/
- » Education World, Resources, Job Listings www.education-world.com/jobs/
- » High Plains Regional Technology in Education Consortium www.hprtec.org/
- » Jefferson County Education Association www.jcea-cea.org/
- » Job Postings in Higher Education www.higheredjobs.com/
- » Mid-Continent Research for Education and Learning // research and practical guides for educators www.mcrel.org/
- » National Board for Professional Teaching Standards www.nbpts.org/
- » National Geographic On-line for Kids www.nationalgeographic.com/kids
- » PRAXIS Information from the Colorado Dept. of Education www.cde.state.co.us/cdeprof/wizard_PRAXIS.asp
- » TeacherLinkUSA <https://www.edulinkinc.com/teacherlink/index.asp>
- » Center for Effective Teaching and Learning <http://cetal.utep.edu/>
- » Teaching Tips www.teachingtips.com
- » U.S. Department of Education www.ed.gov

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- » American Federation of Teachers www.aft.org
- » Colorado Association of Libraries <http://cal-webs.org>
- » Colorado Association of Middle Level Education www.camle.com
- » Colorado Classified School Employee Association <http://ccsea.org>
- » Colorado Council International Reading Association www.ccira.org
- » Colorado Education Association www.coloradoea.org
- » Colorado Language Arts Society www.clas.us
- » Council for Exceptional Children, Special Interest Divisions www.cec.sped.org/dv
- » Denver Classroom Teachers Association www.denverclassroom.org
- » National Council of Teachers of English www.ncte.org
- » National Council of Teachers of Mathematics www.nctm.org
- » National Education Association www.nea.org
- » National Middle School Association www.nmsa.org
- » National Science Teachers Association www.nsta.org