Education

Educators come from a variety of backgrounds and are connected by a common passion for instilling knowledge and inspiring others. These individuals believe in the power of education and strives to provide access to knowledge for all who seek it. Jobs in education take many different forms, including substitute teaching, creating curriculum, providing support service to schools, adult and public education and much more.

Tips for success

- **Challenge your assumptions**: Classroom teaching is an important educational career field, but it’s one of many, all of which have the potential to make a lasting impact.

- **Get certified**: Research what certification looks like for various job roles and whether certain institutions will help you acquire certification while on the job.

- **Volunteer in your community**: These experiences will allow you to build connections in the industry and learn more about the area of education you are most interested in.

Professional Associations

There are several local and national professional associations connected to this career field. Joining a professional association will help you network with professionals already in your field of interest, as well as expose you to new opportunities you may not have considered.

- **American School Counselor Association**
- **Association for Career and Technical Education**
- **International Association of Teachers of English as a Foreign Language**
- **National Education Association**

Possible areas of employment

- College/University/Higher Education
- Early Childhood Development
- English as a Second Language
- Health Education
- Human Resources
- Music Education
- Physical Fitness/Athletic Training
- School Administration
- School Counseling (Clinical & Guidance)
- Special Education

Top desired skills

- Communication
- Time management
- Compassion
- Empathy
- Intercultural fluency
- Leadership
- Enthusiasm
- Conflict resolution
- Organization