

Alternative Principal Certification Checklist

Before	<p>Meet education requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">You must hold a master's degree from an accredited university.Note that the degree can be in any discipline. <p>Check off classroom experience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">You must hold a valid classroom teaching certificate.Make sure that you have at least 2 years of classroom teaching experience. <p>Research principal preparation programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Decide on a program that fits your needs.Make sure you meet the requirements to be admitted into the program, as each program has specific criteria.You must pass the Principal as Instructional Leader (268) to get an intern certificate, so if you have a certificate-required position in mind, plan a program launch date accordingly.
During	<p>Complete all certification program requirements.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">This includes all coursework, training, internship hours, and exams.Pass the Principal as Instructional Leader (268).Pass the Performance Assessment for School Leaders (368). <p>Earn recommendation for standard certification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Your certification program must recommend you, which includes input from at least your site-supervisor (principal mentor). <p>Apply and pay for a principal certificate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Your program must recommend you for the certificate.
After	<p>Congrats! You are now a certified principal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Access your updated certificate through your TEAL login.