What Constitutes a Highly Qualified Special Education Teacher Under The Individuals With Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-446)

Are you a special education teacher who teaches at the elementary level or any of the following: English, reading, language arts, mathematics, science, foreign language, civics and government, economics, arts, history or geography?  

**NO**

Do you have a bachelor's degree?  

**YES**

Do you have a state special education certification or license, or have you passed a state special education licensing exam?  

**YES**

Have you had your license waived on an emergency, temporary or provisional basis?  

**NO**

Is it your sole responsibility to provide consultative services to a core content teacher who meets the NCLB highly qualified teacher requirement?  

**NO**

Are you a new or veteran special education teacher who teaches core academic subjects exclusively to students who are assessed against alternate achievement standards?  

**YES**

Are you highly qualified in math, language arts or science?  

**NO**

Will you complete current HOUSSE or NCLB requirements for other subjects you teach within two years employment?  

**YES**

Can you demonstrate competence in all the core subject areas that you teach by successfully completing your state’s high objective uniform standard of evaluation (HOUSSE) covering one or more subjects or can you demonstrate subject matter knowledge appropriate to the level of instruction being provided as determined by your state?  

**YES**

Have you passed a state test of subject knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, math and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum?  

**YES**

Can you demonstrate competence in all the core subject areas that you teach by successfully completing your state’s high objective uniform standard of evaluation (HOUSSE) covering multiple subjects?  

**YES**

Are you a veteran special education teacher teaching two or more core academic subjects to students with disabilities?  

**NO**

Are you a new special education teacher teaching two or more core academic subjects to students with disabilities?  

**YES**

Are you a veteran or new special education teacher teaching two or more core academic subjects exclusively to students who are assessed against alternate achievement standards?  

**YES**

Do you teach above the elementary school level?  

**YES**

Can you demonstrate competence in all the core subject areas that you teach by successfully completing your state’s high objective uniform standard of evaluation (HOUSSE) covering multiple subjects?  

**NO**

Have you passed a state test of subject knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, math and other areas of the basic elementary school curriculum?  

**NO**

Are you considered highly qualified under IDEA as long as your assignment doesn’t change.

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