

## The Rural Teacher Initiative

Earn an Elementary Education (K-6) Degree

In response to the call to help paraprofessionals become certified teachers, we have developed a program that empowers them to build on their experiences, their knowledge of students, and their commitment to the region.

Paraprofessionals understand the dynamics of our schools, and they offer an important source of teaching talent. This program is designed to create a steady flow of individuals interested in teaching in rural school districts. One of the program's main goals is to ensure that paraprofessionals receive training that is comprehensive and rigorous as students receive in the traditional undergraduate educator preparation program.







## Requirements:

Completion of University College requirements
Passing Scores on the ACT

GPA of 2.7

Worked a minimum of three years in the school district

Received a favorable annual evaluation

For More Information:

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