

No Child Left Behind Act: Highly Qualified Timelines: Teachers/Paraprofessionals

The "highly qualified" requirements in the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act apply to teachers <u>and</u> paraprofessionals. The timeline for meeting highly qualified requirements for paraprofessionals was at the end of the 2005-06 school year. The timeline was extended for teachers to June 20, 2007.

| | Teachers | Paraprofessionals |
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| Who must meet the requirements? | All teachers of core academic subject areas at all schools (including charter schools). Charter schools must be NCLB compliant; they are not exempt. | • Paraprofessionals who provide instructional support to Title I, Part A, students. (Note: For school-wide programs, all paraprofessional providing instructional support must meet the requirement.) |
| What are the requirements? | Bachelor's degree. CTC issued credential. Demonstrated core academic subject matter competence. <i>Teachers credentialed <u>after</u> July 1, 2002:</i> Pass approved subject matter exam. Major in subject area, graduate degree, or National Board Certificate, or HOUSSE (<u>middle/high school only</u>). <i>Teachers credentialed <u>before</u> July 1, 2002:</i> CA High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation (HOUSSE) (all grades). Major in subject area, graduate degree, or National Board Certificate, or HOUSSE (<u>middle/high school only</u>). Pass approved subject matter exam. | Secondary school diploma. For those hired <u>after</u> January 8, 2002: two years of study at a college or university (48 units), associate's degree (or higher), pass the academic assessment, or be NCLB compliant. |
| When must the requirements be met? | June 20, 2007 | End of the 2005-06 School Year |
| Is there funding to support meeting this requirement? Who will be targeted | All districts receiving Title I, Part A, must set aside 5% toward Highly Qualified support; Program Improvement schools and districts must set aside an additional 10%. All schools <u>must be</u> 95% compliant status or will be targeted for | |
| for an audit? | audit. | |

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