

Teacher Qualification Requirements

Elementary School Teacher Qualifications

All teachers in SEI Classrooms must have [a valid Arizona teaching certificate \(charter school teachers are exempt from this requirement\)](#), ~~their Standard Elementary Teaching Certificates as defined in Arizona State Board of Education Rules, R7-2-608. Elementary Teaching Certificates.~~ They must be ~~Highly Qualified~~ [Teachers in grades K-6 must be highly qualified in elementary content](#) as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Additionally, they must have a Structured English Immersion endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.J), an English as a Second Language endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.I), or a Bilingual endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.H).

Middle Grades and High School Teacher Qualifications

All teachers in SEI Classrooms must have [a valid Arizona teaching certificate \(charter school teachers are exempt from this requirement\)](#), ~~their Standard Secondary Teaching Certificates as defined in Arizona State Board of Education Rules, R7-2-609. Secondary Teaching Certificates.~~ They must be ~~Highly Qualified in English~~ [Teachers in grades 7-8 must be Highly Qualified in Language Arts or English](#) as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, ~~which means that they must not only have a bachelor's degree and full state certification or licensure, but they also must demonstrate that they know each subject they teach as provided in SBE Rules R7-2-609.~~ [Teachers in grades 9-12 must be Highly Qualified in English as defined by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.](#) Additionally, they must have a Structured English Immersion endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.J), an English as a Second Language endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.I), or a Bilingual endorsement (Provisional endorsement or [full](#) endorsement) (SBE Rules, R7-2-613.H).

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