



TEACH BUFFALO

LOCAL PROGRAMS | APPLY | TEACHER CERTIFICATION



Become a Teacher

New York State offers multiple pathways to certification. You can learn more at the NYSED [Certification from Start to Finish](#) page or the NYSUT [How to Become a Teacher](#) page. Initial certification requires a bachelor's degree and permanent certification usually requires a master's degree.

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Search Jobs

In this chart of hiring sites, you can search for jobs with Buffalo Public Schools and charter schools that serve students from the City of Buffalo.

[HIRING SITES](#)

[VISIT THE NEW TEACH BUFFALO WEBSITE](#)

Turn into the Teacher who inspired you!

Buffalo needs great teachers to guarantee that students succeed in school and in life. Learn how to take the next step toward becoming a teacher in Buffalo.

WHAT IS TEACH BUFFALO?

Starting in April 2021, with funding from Cullen, TNTP began convening a "Buffalo Education Collaborative" consisting of local college and university leaders, local school leaders, and local nonprofits that work with teachers to discuss needs in the community and learn from each other and about best practices nationwide. Throughout the course of their work, the group agreed that we needed a hub of information for teacher candidates who might want to teach in Buffalo.

The Teach Buffalo website serves as the first step in creating a central source of information and guidance for prospective Buffalo teachers. It contains information on both local teacher education programs as well as links to hiring sites for local schools along with information on the region and about the teacher certification process. The version being launched today is an initial starting point onto which the group wants to add multiple additional features.



Residency Programs

Teacher residency programs are modeled on the residencies medical doctors complete before becoming fully certified practicing physicians. Teacher candidates first serve as a resident teacher in a local school, where they earn a stipend or salary, have a mentor teacher, and hone their craft.

Four local colleges and universities currently host residency programs, each with different models and target audiences. Click the "Learn More" button below!

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Hiring Sites in Buffalo

Links to the Buffalo Public Schools and 22 charter schools that serve Buffalo students can be found on the Teach Buffalo website along with the hiring for prospective teachers. Click the "Learn More" button below!

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Why Buffalo?

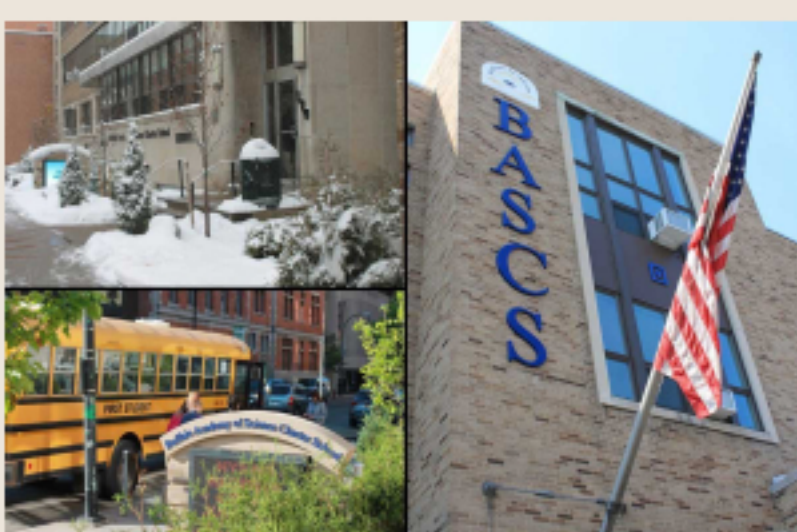
1.2 million people call the **Buffalo-Niagara Falls metropolitan area** home. Nestled against two Great Lakes and the mighty Niagara River, the area abounds with natural scenery and wildlife habitat.

Few other American cities offer the opportunity to stroll along **beaches** and **nature preserves** with downtown as a backdrop.



Schools in Buffalo

In any given year, approximately 80 public schools serve students from Buffalo. The school district, known as **Buffalo Public Schools**, typically operates about 60 schools serving over **30,000 students**. Additionally, **20 organizations** will operate **22 charter schools** that serve over 10,000 students from the city of Buffalo in the 2022-23 school year. These schools vary widely in age, size, location, and mission.



AmeriCorps Programs

Although they do not lead directly to certification, two AmeriCorps programs in Buffalo currently give corps members experience working with students in the classroom and many choose to become teachers following these programs. AmeriCorps corps members are eligible for **education awards** that can be used to repay student loans or to pay for additional educational expenses.



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What Cullen Staff says about

TEACH BUFFALO

A step toward bettering Buffalo

"Cullen Foundation is thrilled to be part of the collaborative that's launching the Teach Buffalo website. A one-stop site to guide prospective teachers in their search for careers in our Buffalo schools, our hope is that the site serves as a conduit for augmenting and diversifying Buffalo's vital Pre K to 12 Teacher pipeline."

FLORINE LUHR | President



"We have been working with TNTP for over two years and with community representatives for over a year to learn what Buffalo needs and consider ways we can help. TeachBuffalo is the first step of what I hope will be many to help local schools recruit the teachers they need to serve our kids."

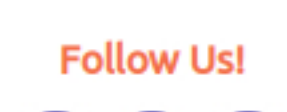
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