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Elementary Education Residency Licensure C55490	Crystal Harvey Department Chair, Teacher Education charvey@forsythtech.edu	June 2025

This document is designed to support your research into the requirements for residency licensure in elementary education on a state-by-state basis, encompassing the United States territories as well.

Educational Preparation: Forsyth Technical Community College's Elementary Education Residency Licensure pathway offers coursework aligned with North Carolina state guidelines to support teachers pursuing alternative licensure as they work toward full professional certification.

Licensure and Reciprocity: Residency licensure requirements vary significantly by state. In North Carolina, candidates must be employed by a public school and work toward licensure while teaching. States may require additional coursework, assessments (e.g., Praxis exams), or mentoring programs. Individuals should consult the state department of education where they intend to teach for specific licensure rules and reciprocity agreements.

[Forsyth Tech Website](#)

[Additional Resource \(1\)](#)

[Additional Resource \(2\)](#)

**Disclaimer:** It is crucial to acknowledge that laws and regulations in the field of Elementary Education Residency Licensure are subject to constant change. For the most current information and requirements, we strongly advise you to consult the specific state board or agency responsible for Elementary Education Residency Licensure licensure/certification.

<b>State</b>	<b>Meets State Educational Requirements</b>	<b>Does Not Meet State Educational Requirements</b>
Alabama		X
Alaska		X
American Samoa		X
Arizona		X
Arkansas		X
California		X
Colorado		X
Connecticut		X

<b>State</b>	<b>Meets State Educational Requirements</b>	<b>Does Not Meet State Educational Requirements</b>
Delaware		X
District of Columbia		X
Florida		X
Georgia		X
Guam		X
Hawaii		X
Idaho		X
Illinois		X
Indiana		X
Iowa		X
Kansas		X
Kentucky		X
Louisiana		X
Maine		X
Maryland		X
Massachusetts		X
Michigan		X
Minnesota		X
Mississippi		X
Missouri		X
Montana		X
Nebraska		X
Nevada		X
New Hampshire		X

State	Meets State Educational Requirements	Does Not Meet State Educational Requirements
New Jersey		X
New Mexico		X
New York		X
North Carolina	✓	
North Dakota		X
Northern Mariana Islands		X
Ohio		X
Oklahoma		X
Oregon		X
Pennsylvania		X
Puerto Rico		X
Rhode Island		X
South Carolina		X
South Dakota		X
Tennessee		X
Texas		X
US Virgin Islands		X
Utah		X
Vermont		X
Virginia		X
Washington		X
West Virginia		X
Wisconsin		X
Wyoming		X