

## **You Can Become a Teacher!**

Think about your favorite teacher in school. Can you imagine yourself teaching a classroom of students?

Do you like learning new things and sharing them with others? Teaching school children of all ages is a rewarding job. You can make a difference to a student, just as your favorite teacher has done for you.

For example, you can become a kindergarten teacher or teach a specific subject in high school, like history or math. Or you can teach students with disabilities as a special education teacher.

Besides teaching classroom lessons, teachers also grade assignments, meet with parents, work with school staff and help with extracurricular activities.

To become a teacher, you will need to go to college. Teachers attend college for four or five years, major in education, and then receive their degree and teacher certification. There are even special shorter programs to for adults with a different college degree who want to change careers and become teachers.

Many communities are in need of teachers and the need will continue to grow. You could be in front of the class before you know it! For more information on teaching, visit the “Career Center” at [CFNC.org](http://CFNC.org), talk to your school counselor or interview a teacher at your school.

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