



Apply for Initial Speech & Language Disabilities Certification on TEACH

Before applying on TEACH, submit the Online Release Authorization Form found under Quick Links at [Teacher Certification Office \(www.teachercertification.buffalostate.edu\)](http://www.teachercertification.buffalostate.edu)

Go to [TEACH \(www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach\)](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach)

Log on to TEACH with your username and password

Select "TEACH Online Services"

Select "Apply for Certificate"

Make selections from the drop boxes to select certificate title:

Area of Interest: Classroom Teacher
Subject Area: Speech and Language Disabilities
Grade Level: PreK-12 – All Grades
Title: Speech and Language Disabilities
Type of Certificate: Initial Certificate

Answer yes to the question regarding enrollment in or completion of an approved teacher preparation program for this title and enter the program code **23454**

If the college recommendation for this title has already been posted to your TEACH account, you will not need to enter the program code. TEACH will automatically select the pathway for this application.

Answer the moral character questions and electronically sign affidavit

Submit \$50 application fee online using a credit card

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Once you meet the requirements for Professional Certification, you will be able to apply for Professional Certification by following the same steps and using the same program code.

Requirements for Professional Certification:

- Praxis II Exam – Speech & Language Disabilities
- 3 years of paid, full time Classroom Teaching experience
- Mentored experience

Certification requirements are subject to change at any time and without notice