SECONDARY EDUCATION

According to the Bureau of Labor and the Occupational Outlook Handbook, employment of high school teachers is projected to grow 8 percent from 2016 to 2026, about as fast as average for all occupations. Rising student enrollment should increase demand for high school teachers, but employment growth will vary by region. Employment growth for public high school teachers may depend on state and local government budgets. Many schools report that they have difficulty filling teaching positions for certain subjects, including math, science, English as a second language, and special education. As a result, teachers with education in those subjects or certifications to teach those specialties should have better job prospects.

WCSU Secondary Education
Occupational Outlook Handbook

RELATED CAREER PATHS

The career paths listed below are only a sample of the opportunities one may consider. They have been taken from the Bureau of Labor’s Occupational Outlook Handbook and the O*Net Online. Some career paths may require additional education and training. To gain more understanding of the different career paths, take a look at Candid Career, where you can watch testimonials of people doing exactly what you might want to pursue.

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SAMPLE RÉSUMÉS
For a list of sample résumés created for Secondary Education majors, please visit our online career tool, Optimal Résumé, at [https://wcsu.optimalrésumé.com/](https://wcsu.optimalrésumé.com/). This is where you can choose a template and create résumés formatted specifically for the industry to seek. Whether you are applying directly to a person or an applicant tracking system, there are things you will need to know in order for your résumé to be recognized. We encourage students not to take any chances. Come speak with someone in our office, Monday through Friday, anytime between 9 am to 4:30 pm, or attend one of many résumé workshops we conduct throughout the year.

**JOB SEARCH ENGINES**

Prepare for interviews, compare salaries and get company reviews with a free student account from Glassdoor. Simply click the link and sign up with your student email address.

- CT Reap
- K12 Job Spot
- Higher Ed Jobs
- School Spring
- Teachers for Teachers

**RESEARCH RESOURCES**

- Connecticut State Department of Education
- Chronical of Higher Education
- GreatSchools.org-School Search
- National Center for Education Statistics-School Search
- Teacher Certificate Degrees
- TeachingCertification.com
- United States Department of Education

**SALARY INFORMATION**

- Teacher Portal
WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW

Join a professional society or association related to your area of interest.

Read and understand how to get teaching certification in the state of Connecticut.

Volunteer for Junior Achievement in your community.

ASSOCIATIONS

Associations are a great way for college students, recent graduates, and career changers to enhance personal and professional development, opportunities to build credibility, and many networking avenues that can’t be found anywhere else. Associations also offer drastically reduced membership rates for current students so NOW is the time to join.

American Association for Employment in Education (AAEE)

American School Counseling Association (ASCA)

Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators (NAECTE)

National Child Care Association (NCCA)

National Education Association (NEA)