

The Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District (CFISD) on-line application requires specific information. It will be helpful for you to have the following information available before you proceed with the on-line application:

1. Personal information regarding past cities, states, and counties of residence since age 18
2. Graduation dates from college (undergraduate), and graduate school (post-bac studies)
3. Number of college credits (not a required field, but included on application)
4. Overall GPA (not a required field, but included on application)
5. Names, addresses, phone numbers, and if possible, email addresses for the five (5) required references.

It is suggested that you print these instructions for reference as you proceed with the on-line application. It is also important to note that you will be able to save separate portions of your application and, if necessary, return to them for a period of thirty (30) days after starting the application.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR ON-LINE APPLICATION

WELCOME PAGE: Allows you to register, log-in, review positions, or access applications.

LOG IN BOX: *When you begin your application, you will have two (2) options:*

1. Register for a "New User Account" (***if you have not previously registered***)
2. Log in to Job Application Center (***for registered/returning applicants***)
 - o You may click on this link to return to your application or to apply for another position once you have completed your first application.

New User Registration: *Registered/Returning users should bypass these instructions and go to "Log in to Job Applicant Center".*

All fields are required.

- Social Security number – must include dashes (xxx-xx-xxxx)
- Must provide a valid, working email address. *This email address is used for important correspondence from the Human Resources Department and the applicant system. If you do not have email, please consider utilizing a free service such as Gmail, Yahoo or Hotmail.*

CLICK SUBMIT WHEN FINISHED.

Message Screen for New Users Only:

You will be given two (2) important pieces of information at this point. **Please write them down!**

1. Log-In/User ID: _____
2. Password: _____ (***Password is case sensitive.***)
 - o You will immediately receive a confirmation email containing this information. **Please save this email for future reference!**
 - o Go to the upper right corner of your screen and click on "LOG-IN".

Registered/Returning Applicant – Log in to Job Applicant Center:

- Enter your User ID (a number) and Password (this is case sensitive).
- You can also choose to edit previous applications by clicking on the "Edit" function shown in blue.
- A new page will appear.
- In the lower left of your screen will be **JOB CATEGORIES**.
- Click on the Job Category for which you are applying and are certified or highly qualified to teach.
- You will be directed to all the JOB OPENINGS under that category.

NEW FOR 2009-2010!!

YOU MUST FIRST APPLY FOR ONE OF THESE GENERAL JOB OPENINGS:

- ***Elementary Teacher***
- ***Middle School Teacher***
- ***High School Teacher***

YOUR CHOICE WILL BE BASED ON CERTIFICATION AND/OR HIGHEST LEVEL OF INTEREST. ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS INITIAL TEACHER APPLICATION.

APPLYING FOR A JOB OPENING: *This is for all applicants.*

You will see the following:

- Job Opening Information
- Fill Out Application
- Back to Job Opening List

CLICK ON "FILL OUT APPLICATION"

- **NEW APPLICANTS** will see two (2) options:
 1. BLANK APPLICATION
 2. RETURN TO JOB LISTINGS

Click on BLANK APPLICATION

- **RETURNING APPLICANTS** will see three (3) options:
 1. BLANK APPLICATION
 2. APPLICATION WITH LOADED CONTENT
 3. RETURN TO JOB LISTINGS

At this point, you can save time by choosing from previous applications listed in the drop down box. This will enable all of your prior basic information to be automatically added to the new application. Or, you may choose to begin a new application.

- You can also see all previous applications that are *STARTED, BUT NOT COMPLETED*.
 - The number of days left to complete any unfinished applications will be listed, along with the original date the application was started.
 - ***You have thirty (30) days to complete an application before it is purged, requiring you to begin again.***

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION: *This is for all applicants. This information will serve to begin your Background Check. Please be as accurate as possible and answer all questions as accurately as possible. This information will be kept confidential as outlined in the application disclaimer. All fields marked with a red asterisk (*) are required.*

- **CURRENT ADDRESS**
All areas are required.
Must include COUNTY in this section.
- **PERMANENT ADDRESS**
Fill in if different from current address.
Please include COUNTY in this section.
- **PREVIOUS ADDRESSES:** *This is part of the complete background check.*
Specific street addresses are needed.
Begin at eighteen (18) years of age to present.

CLICK ON SAVE AND CONTINUE. You will be directed to the next page.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION: *Begin with the last degree or college/university attended.*

- Use the drop down box to locate your college/university. If not, use the “OTHER” box.
- **Degree:** Select from drop down box.
- **Major/Minor:** Select from drop down box. If major is not available, use the “OTHER” function to fill in the box.
- **GPA:** *This is not a required field.*
- **Credits:** If you are not absolutely sure of credits, approximate as close as possible. *This is NOT a required field.*
- **Graduation Date:**
 - May use calendar function or place dates in blank.
 - Use the **mm/dd/yyyy** format to insert dates
- **ACP Program:** Use the drop down box to answer, if enrolled.

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REFERENCES: *Five (5) professional references are required. References from family members, co-workers, or friends are not acceptable.* It is your responsibility to distribute the forms and let your referent(s) know to fax or mail the completed form to our office. Please note: References expire after one year and must be resubmitted. *Please read the following information carefully.*

CERTIFIED TEACHERS: Professional references should include the following. Items marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

- Current and/or most recent principal*
- Assistant principal (if any)*
- Department chair(if any)*
- Instructional specialist (if any)*
- Other administrators who have supervised/evaluated the quality of your work.

STUDENT TEACHERS: Professional references should include the following. Items marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

- University supervisor*
- Cooperating teacher(s)*
- University/college professor*
- Administrator of the campus where you student taught.
- Current or most recent former employer (if any).
- Others who have supervised/evaluated the quality of your work in an educational or non-educational setting.

Please note: You will be able to download the reference form after submitting this application. Before you distribute the form, be sure to do the following:

- **Print your name, on-line application ID number and the job openings for which you are applying.**
- Sign all of the forms.
- Return the form by one of the following ways:
 - By Fax to 281-517-2826
 - By Mail to:
Cypress Fairbanks ISD
Human Resources Department, Suite 238
10300 Jones Road
Houston, Texas 77065

CLICK ON SAVE AND CONTINUE. You will be directed to the next page.

WORK EXPERIENCE: This is for all applicants. *Begin with your current or most recent employment as “Work Experience 1.”*

- If this is your CURRENT place of employment, please check the box indicating such.
- If you enter the date without the calendar functions, use the **mm/dd/yyyy** format.
- “Reason for Leaving” has very limited space for entering information.
- Be specific in areas of responsibility and duties.
- If you are student teaching, list the school district, campus, grade(s), and subjects taught.

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PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS: *This area is for those who hold valid teaching/administrative/counseling certifications from the state of Texas or other states in the United States. You must fill in all fields of the certification area!*

- You may use your Social Security Number (xxx-xx-xxxx) or the TEA Identification number
 - **Out-of-State Applicants** who do not hold a Texas certification, but who are certified in another state, may enter the certificate number.
 - If you hold a valid Texas certificate, please use your Social Security Number or TEA identification number.
- Select the state where your certification was granted and is valid.
- Date Issued/Expires can be entered either with the calendar or by entering the date in **mm/dd/yyyy** format. **You must enter both the issue and expiration dates!**
 - Lifetime Certificate Holders: Please check the box as indicated. If you check the Lifetime box, no expiration date is needed.
 - **Student Teacher Applicants: You must use August 1 of the current year for both the issue and expiration dates (mm/dd/yyyy).**
- Use the drop down box to select:
 - Certification Type (most cases “Standard” or “Provisional”)
 - Certification Area

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GENERAL QUESTIONS: *You must answer **all** of the questions as listed. Please take your time in responding to these questions and check your work for spelling and grammatical errors.*

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JOB RELATED QUESTIONS (if any): *You must answer **all** of the questions as listed. Please take your time in responding to these questions and check your work for spelling and grammatical errors.*

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ATTACHMENTS: *The following attachments add more information to your application. They must be sent in one of the following formats:*

1. .doc (Word)
2. .txt
3. .pdf (Adobe)

- Transcripts showing degree awarded and other transcripts from colleges/universities attended.
- Teaching Certificates, if applicable
- Résumé
- ACP acceptance letters, if applicable
- For student teachers: university letter of certification status, if not yet graduated
- For out-of-country applicants: evaluation of foreign transcripts from a credential evaluation service. Access these services at <http://www.naces.org>.

PLEASE NOTE: When attaching documents, please send them with a file name that indicates the documents belong to you. For example:

- jane doe transcripts.pdf
- john smith certificate.doc
- sally jones acp letter.doc

If you cannot attach the documents requested, you may fax or send them in the U.S. mail.

PLEASE NOTE: All of your attachments are linked to a General Job Opening under one of the following categories. (TE10, TM10, TH10). If applying under multiple categories, you must attach all documents to the General Job Opening for which you initially applied.

GENERAL JOB OPENINGS

TE10

Elementary Teacher

TM10

Middle School Teacher

TH10

High School Teacher

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REVIEW APPLICATION: You may now review your application.

- Check for typing, spelling or general writing errors and edit, if needed.
- Make sure your application is complete.
- Print the application for your records before submitting.
 - Please note that depending on your Internet browser, you may have to hold down the "Shift" key while pressing the PRINT button.

SUBMIT APPLICATION:

- Clicking on this button constitutes an electronic signature indicating the information you provided is true and accurate. If you are NOT ready to submit your application, click on EXIT APPLICATION.

LAST STEP AFTER SUBMITTING APPLICATION:

- A screen will appear thanking you for submitting your application.
- You can now **download and print out the reference forms** for distribution to your supervisors by clicking on the blue reference link. Please remember that five professional references are required.
- You may log out or submit another application.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:

- If you have successfully submitted your application, you will be sent a confirmation email, provided you have a working email address.
- All applications are reviewed by the Human Resources Department. If selected for a screening interview, you will be notified via email.

Thank you for your interest in the Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District!
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