## CAREER PATHWAYS FOR ADULT EDUCATION

# **ABOUT CAREER PATHWAYS**

Career Pathways combine education, work readiness and job training to attain necessary skills and credentials for specific in-demand occupations or industries. Career Pathway maps illustrate how students can move along a career path in a specific occupational area from adult education through post-secondary or advanced job-training programs and into employment. To advance along a career pathway more quickly, explore opportunities to participate in education and training concurrently. It is suggested that this map be used in conjunction with information on specific education and training programs in Wyoming or in your local area.

Education and Childcare

Human Services Career Cluster

**Sector Description:**

This sector provides rewarding education careers such as elementary or secondary school teacher

and special education teacher. The education field also offers careers other than teaching, such as

librarian or in childcare or school administration. Many occupations in education require postsecondary

education credentials and strong interpersonal skills. In Wyoming, teachers in the K-12 system are

required to have a teaching license for specific grades and/or subjects. Teachers need to have, at a

minimum, a bachelor’s degree and complete a training program, including student teaching.

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**Sample Entry or Certificate Options**

Teacher Assistant/Paraprofessional

**Sample Advanced or Degree Options**

School Administrator

Preschool Teachers

**Sequential -or- Concurrent**

Childcare Provider

Primary or Secondary Teacher

#### Adult Education

-Core Skills: Reading, Writing, Math, Science

-English Language Skills

-Career Exploration & Planning

-High School Equivalency Preparation

-Employability Skills & Digital Literacy

-Integrated Education and Training

-Work Experience Trainings

Adult Education Director

Early Childhood Development Specialist

Special Education Teacher

Curriculum Developer

Librarian

Guidance Counselor



**Customized Pathway-Jobs/Course**

##### Additional Occupational Options

-Physical Education Specialist -Health Educator

-Preschool Teacher -Professor

-English as Second Language Teacher

-Career & Technical Education Teacher

-Professional Development Specialist

-Teacher Trainer

## CAREER PATHWAYS FOR ADULT EDUCATION- Education and Childcare

**ADULT EDUCATION-High School Equivalency (HSE)**

**Median Wages: $10.49 Hourly / $21,818 Annual**

Many jobs require a high school diploma/equivalent. The official HSE tests (GED or HiSET)

require that students demonstrate proficiency in English, reading, writing, math, science

and social studies.

**SKILLS**

* read for comprehension
* understand math and its practical applications to the career
* using scientific rules & methods to solve problems
* effective oral and written communication skills
* strong critical thinking abilities: use of logic and reasoning to identify strengths and

weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions or approaches to problems.

* Digitally literate: proficient in Word, Excel and Powerpoint

TEACHER ASSISTANT

Median Wages: $15.89 Hourly / $33,0512 Annual

**Description**: Assist a preschool, elementary, middle, secondary or adult education teacher with instructional duties; serve in a position for which a teacher has primary responsibility for the design and implementation of educational programs and services.

**Job Duties**

* Assist in bus loading & unloading
* Assist teacher in the classroom or librarians in the library
* Teach/tutor students wither one-on-one or in small groups
* Attend staff meetings and serve on committees
* Help manage or maintain classrooms or other areas of the school, such as cafeterias or libraries

**CHILDCARE PROVIDER**

**Median Wages: $11 Hourly / $ $22,880 Annual**

**Description:**  Attend to children at schools, businesses, private households, and childcare institutions; perform a variety of tasks, such as dressing, feeding, bathing, instructing and overseeing play.

**Job Duties**

* Maintain a safe play environment
* Observe & monitor children’s play activities
* Communicate with children’s parents or guardians about daily activities, behaviors, and related issues
* Support children’s emotional & social development, encouraging understanding of others & positive self-concepts
* Care for children in institutional settings, such as group homes, nursery schools, private businesses, or schools for the handicapped

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER**

**Median Wages: $28.17 Hourly / $54,089 Annual**

**Description:** teach academic and social skills to students at the elementary school level.

**Job Duties**

* Establish & enforce rules for behavior & procedures for maintaining order among the students for whom an individual is responsible for
* Adapt teaching methods & instructional materials to meet students’ varying needs &interests
* Instruct students individually & in groups, using various teaching methods, such as lecturers, discussions, and demonstrations
* Confer with parents or guardians, teachers, counselors, and administrators to resolve students’ behavioral & academic challenges

**SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER**

**Median Wages: $23.28 Hourly / $48,420 Annual**

**Description:** Teach academic, social and life skills to preschool, elementary, middle, secondary or adult education students with learning, emotional or physical disabilities.

**Job Duties**

* Develop & implement strategies to meet the needs of students with a variety of handicapping conditions
* Teach social acceptable behavior, employing techniques such as behavior modification and positive reinforcement
* Observe & evaluate students’ performance, behavior, social development, and physical health
* Maintain accurate and complete student records, and prepare reports on children and activities, as required by laws, district policies, and administrative regulations

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**

**Median Wages: $28.85 Hourly / $60,000 Annual**

**Description:** Advise and assist students and provide educational and vocational guidance services

**Job Duties**

* Provide crisis intervention to students when difficult situations occur at schools
* Identify cases of domestic abuse or other family problems and encourage students or parents to seek additional assistance from health professionals
* Counsel individuals to help them understand & overcome personal, social or behavioral challenges affecting their educational or vocational situation
* Counsel students regarding educational issues, such as course & program selection, class scheduling & registration, school adjustment, truancy, study habits, & career planning

**OTHER OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Median Wages:**

**Description:**

**Job Duties**