

# Accepted Teaching Certificates by B.C. School System

This table outlines the specific teaching certificates that are accepted within different school systems in B.C., including public, independent, First Nations and offshore schools.

ACCEPTED TEACHING CERTIFICATES	PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS	INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS	FIRST NATIONS SCHOOLS	OFFSHORE SCHOOLS
Certificate of Qualification (COQ)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Conditional COQ	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Independent School Teaching Certificate	No	Yes	Yes	*Yes
Letter of Permission	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

The First Nations Language Certificate and Trades Certificate are not applicable for internationally educated teachers.

\*School-restricted independent school certificates are not accepted at B.C. offshore schools; however subject-restricted independent school certificates are if the teacher also has two years of experience.

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