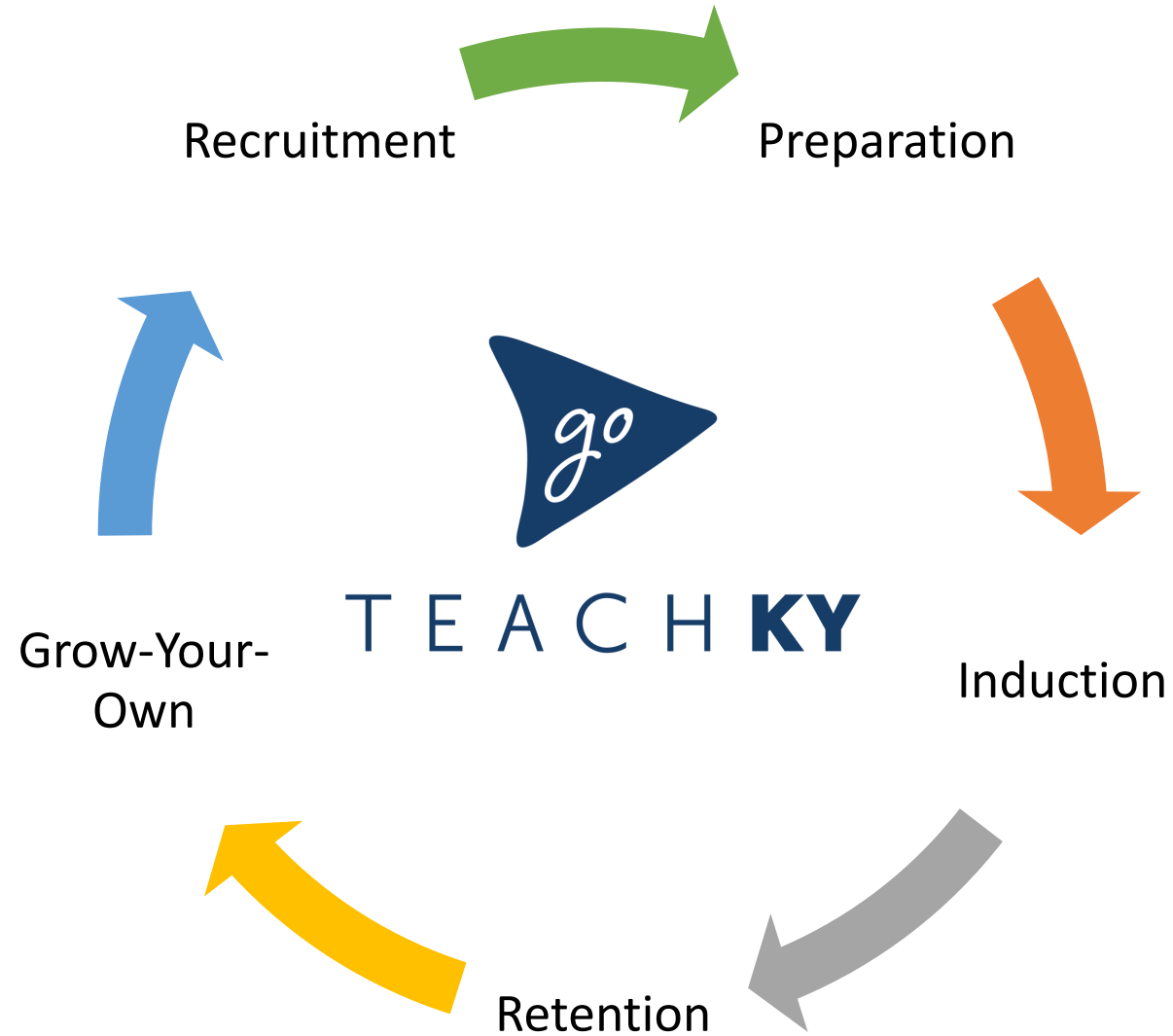




TEACH **KY**

# GoTeachKY





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## Inspiring Kentucky's Next Generation of Teachers



What's missing from  
Kentucky's schools?

You.

You can positively impact the lives of children and families now and for generations to come. You can have a hand in preparing and shaping Kentucky's next generation of leaders. You can inspire Kentucky's next generation of scientists, healthcare professionals, educators, attorneys and athletes.

Take the next step toward teaching. Kentucky students need you.

### Where do I start?



I'm a [high school student](#) interested in learning more about the teaching profession.



I'm in [college or about to enter college](#) and want to learn more about [educator preparation programs](#) in Kentucky.



I'm interested in [changing careers](#) and want to learn more about how I can become a teacher in Kentucky.

GoTeachKY is an initiative from the Kentucky Department of Education. Through GoTeachKY, we are recruiting the next generation of Kentucky educators to remedy the critical teacher shortage currently affecting every state in America. Research supports that the most important factor contributing to student achievement is effective teachers. It is the mission of GoTeachKY to ensure that all students across the Commonwealth have equitable access to effective educators.



# Instagram

## @goteachky

Go Teach KY

97 Tweets

Go Teach KY @GoTeachKY · Nov 8

Heather Blackwell teaches English 2 and 3 at LaRue County High School. Her colleagues say she is an amazing and engaging teacher. We can tell that she loves her job from the smile on her face! #GoTeachKY #FacesFromTheField Submit a teacher to feature! [bit.ly/FacesForm](https://bit.ly/FacesForm)



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Go Teach KY @GoTeachKY · Nov 7

On Thursdays, we give thanks for the great teachers we have known. Show your gratitude to one of those who helped you make history by using #ThankATeacherKY and share the love with us all!



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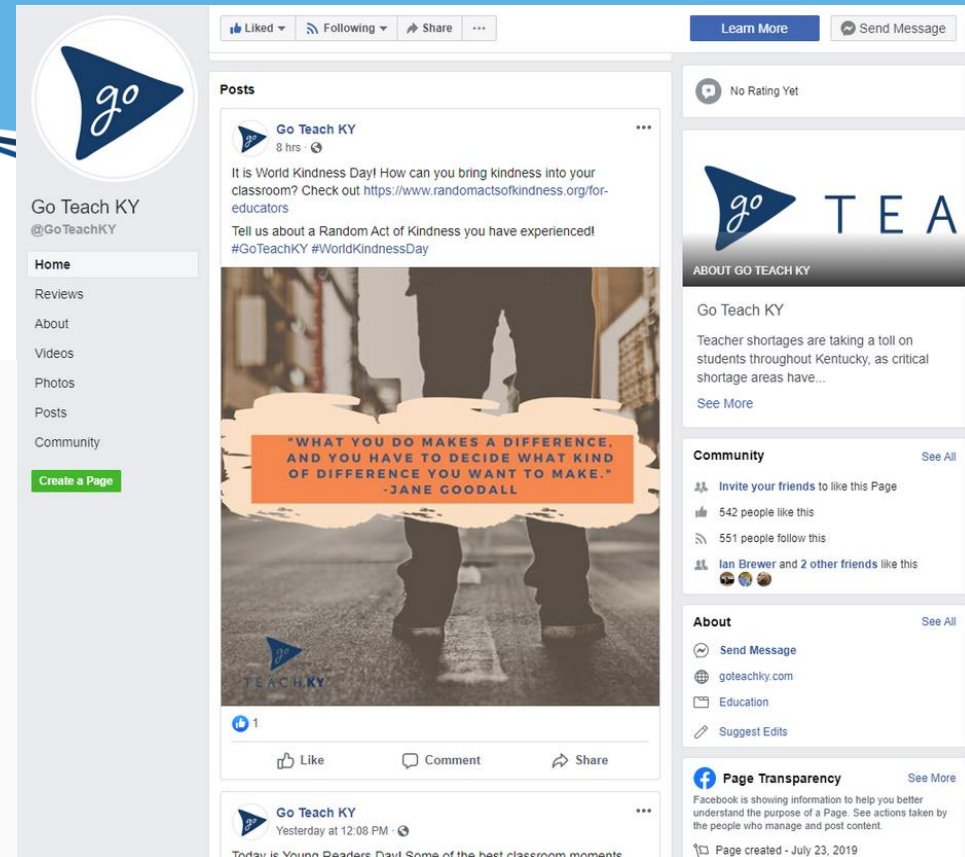
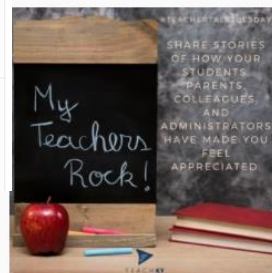
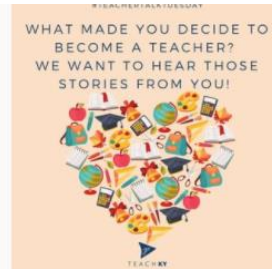
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JCPS @JCPSKY · Nov 6

Looking for some #WonderfulWords for your #WednesdayWisdom? @watterson\_elem has you covered!

# Twitter

## @GoTeachKY



# Facebook

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# 2021 GoTeachKY Ambassadors



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Carter County



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Calloway County



# Ambassador Roles

- ▶ Represent GoTeachKY at career/college Fairs
- ▶ In-person/virtual presentations (e.g., faculty meeting, class session)
- ▶ Support Educators Rising chapters



# Grow-Your-Own



- State-recognized CTSO
- Access to resources through national organization
- State conference/competition
- Formerly Future Educators of America



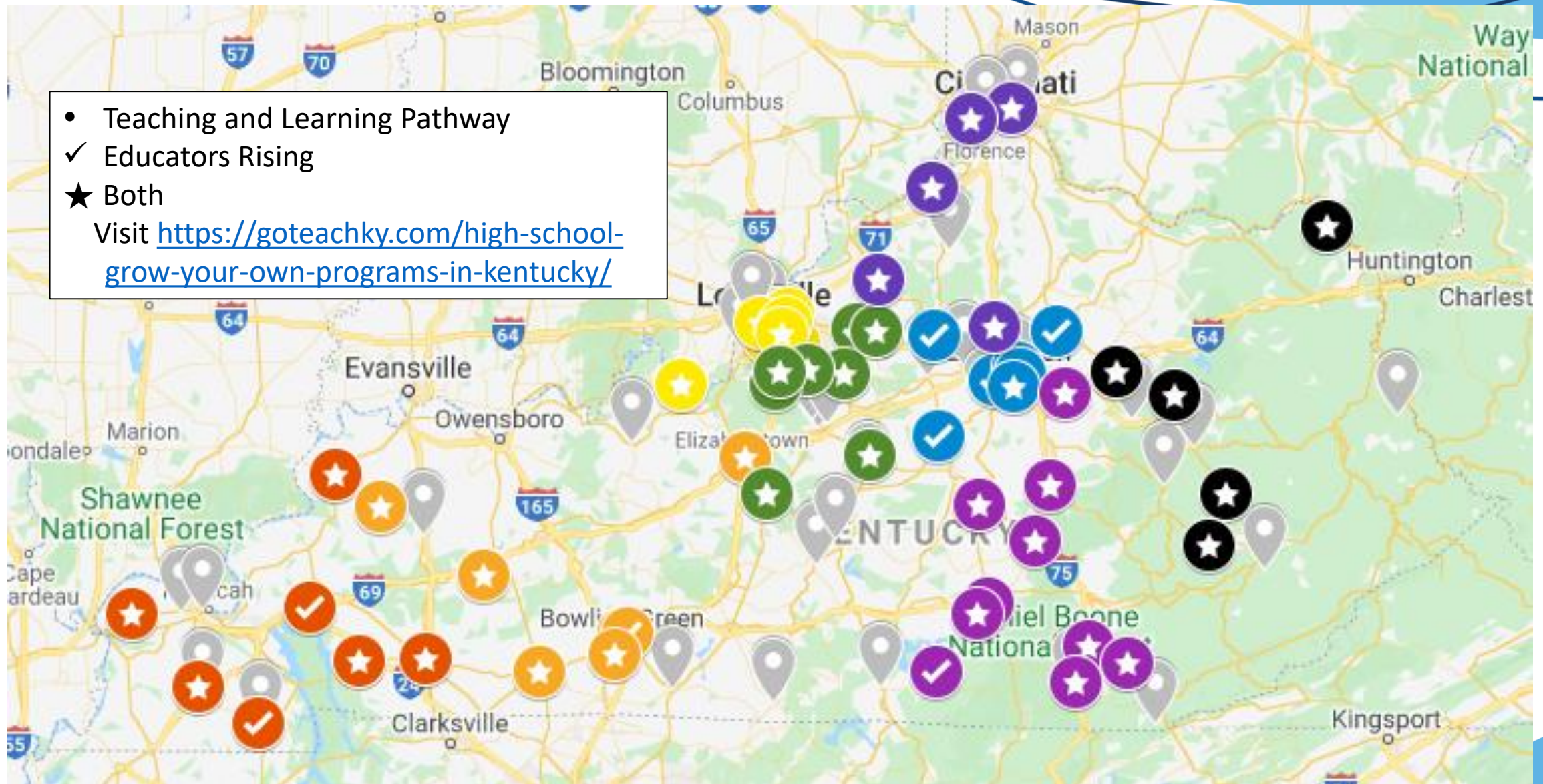
- Four course pathway
- Three options for transition readiness
- Low-cost pathway- curricular materials provided



- New option 2019; 5 chapters started in KY
- Bridge the gap between high school and entrance into EPP



- Teaching and Learning Pathway
  - ✓ Educators Rising
  - ★ Both
- Visit <https://goteachky.com/high-school-grow-your-own-programs-in-kentucky/>





# Why Grow-Your-Own Makes Sense

- More than 60% of America's teachers work within 20 miles of where they went to high school
- Communities have clear, inherent self-interest in providing opportunities to help guide young people on a well-supported path to teaching
- Teenagers crave impact. They are starved for role models. Opportunities to test-drive teaching in high school can satisfy all these needs.

“I joined my school’s chapter during the beginning of my junior year. I only participated because some of my friends had joined, but it soon transformed my perception of the value of teaching. I will forever be thankful to Educators Rising for helping me discover my life’s purpose.”

-Jared Wilson, Whitley County



# Program Aspects

## **T & L Pathway**

- Scholarly and clinical experiences, emphasizing reflective practice
- Authentic experiences
- Knowledge, Skills, and Dispositions of an effective educator
- Engagement in statewide community of educators

## **Educators Rising: Cross-Cutting Themes**

- Cultural Competence
- Fairness, Equity, and Diversity
- Reflective Practice
- Ethics
- Collaboration
- Social Justice and Advocacy
- Self-Efficacy



## School Counselor Toolkit

We've curated some great resources for school counselors to use as they help guide students into the teaching profession.



What's it like to  
major in education?



Is teaching right for me?



Why Teach?



Earning Potential



Teacher  
Occupational Outlook



Alternative Pathways

## Your Pathway to Teaching

### Education Major



Teaching is an incredibly rewarding profession. As with all careers there will be highs and lows, but when those lows come, it helps to remember not every job can change a life.

"There is nothing more rewarding than seeing a child 'get it'! Kids don't remember their favorite test, policy, or bad day. Students remember teachers and moments you create with their peers. No other profession has the power to change the world like education."

– **Noraa Ransey**, *Kentucky Teacher and GoTeachKY Ambassador*

Below you will find links that will help you navigate the path from where you are now to your teacher certification.

[Undergraduate Pathway Form](#)

### Career Changer



Looking for a change? Whether you've been a laborer, office professional, soldier, or chef, in Kentucky, we have several alternative pathways to certification.

"A person should consider teaching as a profession because the next generation of students need us to educate them to be productive citizens of a democratic society. In spite of all the difficulties, teaching is worth it to me. I persevere in spite of the challenges because our next generation leaders need us."

– **Theresa McDavid – Dobbins**, *Kentucky Teacher and GoTeachKY Ambassador*

Below you will find a link to a form that can provide you help with determining the best path for you.

[Alternative Pathway to Certification Form](#)

If you would like to schedule an alternative pathway counseling session with one of our certification specialist, please complete this [form](#).

# Alternative Pathways



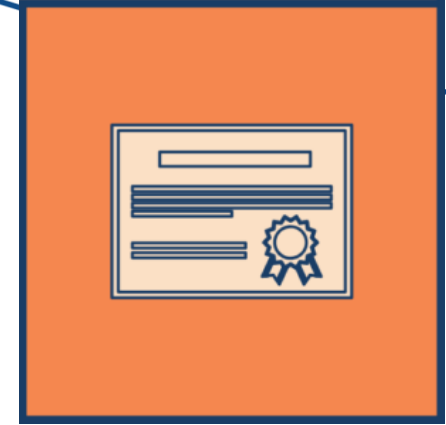
**Option 1**  
Exceptional Work  
Experience



**Option 2**  
Local District Training  
Program



**Option 3**  
College Faculty



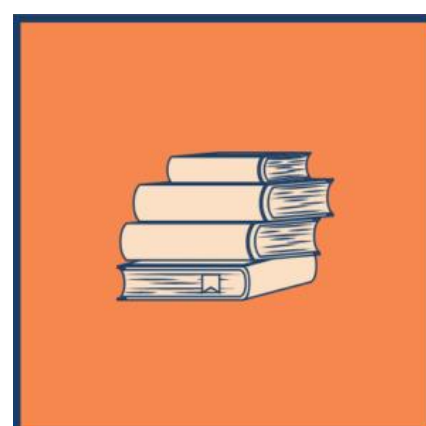
**Option 4**  
Adjunct Instructor  
(P-12)



**Option 5**  
Armed Forces Veteran



**Option 6**  
University-Based  
Alternative Route



**Option 7**  
Institute Alternative  
Route



**Option 8**  
Teach for America

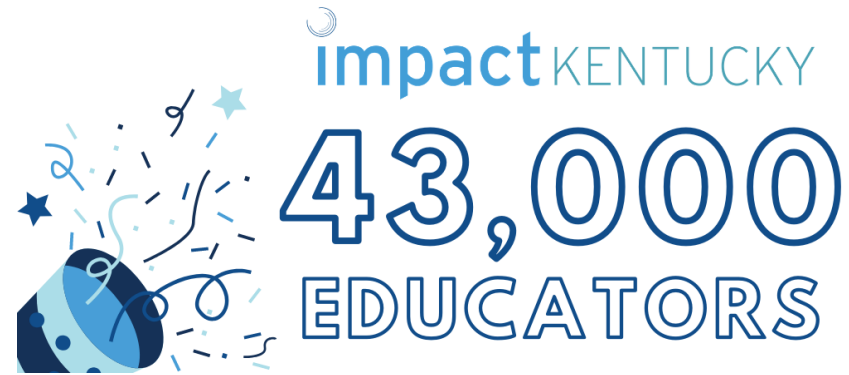


# KAET



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  - Grow-Your-Own Grant Program
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- Prepare
  - Mentoring and Assessment Coaching
  - Alternative Pathway to Certification Programs
- Educate
  - Cultural Competency and Equity Modules
  - KAET Focus Groups

# Elevating the Profession



Coming soon...





BE A  
LEADER



BE A  
WORLD  
CHANGER



BE A  
TEACHER

BE A  
LIGHT

