


# Private School Regulations<sup>i</sup> Comparison Chart: Teacher Certification, Length of School Day, and Curriculum Requirements

(Summary based on information provided by the state prior to 9/30/16)

States/Territories	Teaching Certificate Required	Length of School Year and/or Days Regulated	Curriculum Must Be Similar to That of Public Schools	Curriculum Requirements Include:		
				Curriculum Required to Be Taught in English Language	State History/State Constitution	Reading, Writing/Grammar, Math, Science, and Social Studies
<a href="#">Alabama</a>	● Except a church school	●	● Except a church school	● Except a church school		
<a href="#">Alaska</a>	● For a non-exempt private school	●	●			
<a href="#">American Samoa</a>		●				
<a href="#">Arizona</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Arkansas</a>						
<a href="#">California</a>			●			
<a href="#">Colorado</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Connecticut</a>				● Except a bilingual school		●
<a href="#">Delaware</a>			●		●	
<a href="#">District of Columbia</a>		●				
<a href="#">Florida</a>		●				
<a href="#">Georgia</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Guam</a>						
<a href="#">Hawaii</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Idaho</a>	●	●	●			
<a href="#">Illinois</a>		● For a registered or recognized school	●	●		
<a href="#">Indiana</a>	● For an accredited or	●		●	● For an accredited	

Key:  
 Yes  
 Notes clarify the type of school affected.

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	recognized school				school	
<a href="#">Iowa</a>	● For an accredited school	●	● For an accredited school	●		● For an accredited school
<a href="#">Kansas</a>	● For an accredited school	●			● For an accredited school	● For an accredited school
<a href="#">Kentucky</a>		●		●		
<a href="#">Louisiana</a>		●	● For an approved school			
<a href="#">Maine</a>	●	●		●	●	●
<a href="#">Maryland</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Massachusetts</a>						
<a href="#">Michigan</a>			●	●	●	●
<a href="#">Minnesota</a>				●		●
<a href="#">Mississippi</a>	● For a state accredited school					
<a href="#">Missouri</a>					●	
<a href="#">Montana</a>	● For an accredited school	●	●			●
<a href="#">Nebraska</a>	● For an accredited or approved school	●		●	●	●
<a href="#">Nevada</a>		●	●		●	●
<a href="#">New Hampshire</a>		●		●	●	
<a href="#">New Jersey</a>			●			
<a href="#">New Mexico</a>		●				

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<a href="#">New York</a>		●	●	●	●	●
<a href="#">North Carolina</a>		●				
<a href="#">North Dakota</a>	●	●		●	●	●
<a href="#">Northern Marianas Islands</a>						
<a href="#">Ohio</a>	● For a non-chartered, non-tax supported school	●			●	●
<a href="#">Oklahoma</a>	● For an accredited school	●				
<a href="#">Oregon</a>		●	●			
<a href="#">Pennsylvania</a>	●	●		●	●	●
<a href="#">Puerto Rico</a>	●	●				
<a href="#">Rhode Island</a>		●	●	●	●	●
<a href="#">South Carolina</a>						
<a href="#">South Dakota</a>		●			●	
<a href="#">Tennessee</a>	● Except a Category IV or V school	● Except a Category III school	● For a Category I, II, or VI school			● For a Category II or VI school
<a href="#">Texas</a>		● For an accredited school				
<a href="#">Utah</a>						
<a href="#">Vermont</a>		● For a recognized school			●	●
<a href="#">Virgin Islands</a>	●	●				
<a href="#">Virginia</a>		●				

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<a href="#">Washington</a>	●	●				●
<a href="#">West Virginia</a>		●		●	●	
<a href="#">Wisconsin</a>		●				●
<a href="#">Wyoming</a>	●	●			● For a licensed, non-religious school	● For a licensed, non-religious school

Note: This chart is a high-level summary. More detailed information can be found on each individual state page at <https://innovation.ed.gov/resources/state-nonpublic-education-regulation-map/>.

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<sup>i</sup> State regulations include all laws, statutes, code, and policies of a state that affect private schools.