

BTSA South Bay Consortium

Early Completion Option (ECO)

Program Purpose

Senate Bill 57 is legislation that allows a modified program option for **exceptional experienced** teachers. The option provides for qualifying participants to complete the BTSA Induction program at a faster pace than the full two years generally required for completion of the professional teacher induction components. This option is made available to all participants if the following criteria are met:

- Eligible according to legislated criteria listed below
- Demonstrates knowledge, skills, abilities and competencies required of all teacher candidates who complete the full-length program

Eligibility

The PT must hold a **preliminary multiple or single subject credential**. The intent of the law is to serve *experienced* and *exceptional* candidates.

If, after reviewing the criteria, the PT feels the criteria are met, an application may be submitted to request ECO status.

Criteria

Private school teachers with:

- Two or more years of private school experience
- Verification of teaching experience including rigorous positive evaluations from site administrators

Out of State Teachers with:

- Two years of verified experience
- Rigorous positive evaluations from site administrators

Intern teachers with:

- Two years of participation in an intern program
- Positive evaluations from the University Advisor, Site Administrator and Master Teacher

Process for Determining Who Qualifies

Participating Teachers are informed of the criteria and process for participating in the Early Completion Option (ECO) during the BTSA Induction Program Orientation.

Interested participants submit a packet with the following information to the BTSA Consortium Coordinator:

1. ECO Application (www.southbaybtsa.org, click on Program Documents)
2. Exemplary performance evaluations from previous two years
3. Current year formal evaluation by current Site Administrator

The BTSA Consortium Coordinator makes the final determination after review of the ECO packet.

Procedure for Completion

Participant signs an ECO Application agreeing to the following requirements for program completion:

- Participation in the BTSA Induction Program for 12 school calendar months.
- Attendance at all required meetings during the year.
- Completion of the BTSA Induction Portfolio with evidence of all standards. The portfolio may be completed within 12 school calendar months. Evidence from the previous years of teaching will be permissible.
- Participation will be documented through Collaborative Logs of regular contact with the BTSA Support Provider, submission of the e-Portfolio FACT documents, and in the end-of-year Colloquium Inquiry presentation.

Documentation

- An application signed by the BTSA Coordinator and the PT that indicates that he/she is participating in ECO and has agreed to the above participation procedures for completion.
- The form also indicates that the PT will be monitored during the year and if above requirements have not been met, he/she will be required to participate in the complete second year of the program in order to successfully complete and be recommended for the Professional Credential.
- The program maintains information on the number and progress of ECO participants.
- The BTSA Consortium Coordinator signs the ECO Completion Form.

Packet Submission Deadline: No later than December 15th

Early Completion Application

(Due on or before December 15th)

NAME _____ SCHOOL _____ GRADE/SUBJECT _____

Prior Experience:

Private School	Out of State	Intern Teacher
School Name: _____ Address: _____ _____ Yrs. Employed: _____ Gr. Lvl./Subj. Taught: _____ Evaluator's name & phone #: _____ _____	School Name: _____ Address: _____ _____ Yrs. Employed: _____ Gr. Lvl./Subj. Taught: _____ Evaluator's name & phone #: _____ _____	School Name: _____ Address: _____ Yrs. As Intern: _____ Gr. Lvl./Subj. Taught: _____ University affiliation: _____ _____ University Advisor's name & phone #: _____ _____ _____
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I have attached a packet with the following information to verify my qualifications to complete the BTSA Induction program in one year instead of two:

- All prior performance evaluations
- Evaluation by current site administrator

Please initial:

_____ I agree to follow the requirements listed under *Procedure for Program Completion*.

_____ I understand that failure to complete the FACT timeline for completion of the elements will result in revocation of the ECO.

_____ I understand that the BTSA Consortium Coordinator will review my application and document packet to determine if I qualify for the Early Completion Option.

Participant Signature

Date

<i>Office Use Only:</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	This participant has been approved to participate in the Early Completion Induction Option.
<input type="checkbox"/>	This participant has not been approved to participate in the Early Completion Induction Option due to the following reason(s): _____

_____	_____
<i>BTSA South Bay Consortium Director/District Coordinator</i>	<i>Date</i>