



The Georgia Paraprofessional License

Eligibility for a Paraprofessional License is based on one of the following:

- An Associate's Degree or higher in any subject completed at an accredited institution.
OR
- Two years of college coursework (60 semester hours or more) earned at an accredited college or university.
OR
- A minimum of a High School Diploma or GED and passing scores on the GACE Paraprofessional Assessment. To obtain information regarding the GACE Assessment, please visit gace.ets.org.

The Paraprofessional License is issued to individuals employed in an assistant teaching position in Pre-K through 12th-grade settings. Individuals working in a Georgia's Pre-K class as an assistant teacher may qualify for the Paraprofessional License. This license is not approved for lead teachers in any classroom or assistant teachers working in Infant/Toddler and Preschool classrooms. **Pre-K Project Directors may request issuance of a Paraprofessional License for assistant teachers working in Georgia's Pre-K classrooms.**

Steps for requesting a Paraprofessional License:

- Pre-K Project Director submits a request to gain access to the Georgia Professional Standards Commission's administrator database; gapsc.org. The request must be submitted via email to gapds@gapsc.com. The email should include the project director's name, legal name of the program, and program contact information.
- Once access to gapsc.org is granted, instructions will be emailed to the project director explaining how to access the gapsc.org portal (Expresslane) in order to submit the Paraprofessional Application and supporting documents for issuance of the license.

For information regarding the Paraprofessional License and/or renewal process, email gapds@gapsc.com.

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