



The Office of Clinical Practice Placement Timeline Spring 2024

Spring 2024	This is an overview of the placement timeline. Refer to the sections below this timeline for further details.
Sunday, October 22	Priority deadline to submit clinical practice applications
Sunday, December 3	Last day to submit clinical practice application
Monday, January 1	Teacher internship eligibility applications open
Friday, January 5	Program calendars are available
Monday, January 8	Placement details are announced
Monday, January 15	Coach assignments are announced
Tuesday, January 16	Classroom start date for final teacher candidates
Thursday, January 18	Classroom start date for initial teacher candidates
Saturday, January 20	Induction Ceremony & Orientation OCP will email all teacher candidates a Save the Date by December 1.
Friday, January 26	Deadline to purchase your Tk20 account for teacher candidates beginning their initial clinical practice
Friday, February 2	Field Experience Binders are available in Tk20
Friday, February 9	FAST Portfolios are available in Tk20
Classroom End Date	<p>Education Specialist Credential Teacher Candidates are expected to remain in their placements until the end of the semester regardless of accumulated clinical practice hours.</p> <p>Multiple Subject Credential Candidates are expected to remain in their placements for 14 weeks regardless of accumulated clinical practice hours.</p> <p>Single Subject Credential Candidates are expected to remain in their placements until the end of the semester regardless of accumulated clinical practice hours.</p>

Placement Details

Teacher Candidates

OCP will notify teacher candidates (see below if you are a student resident, 155B teacher candidate, or student intern) of your placement details in January, no later than January 8.

The placement process was initiated in October by OCP and the school districts will pair teacher candidates with their mentor teachers. Most districts prefer candidates to not contact their mentor teachers until after winter break.

While we encourage school districts to wait for OCP to send out placement details to teacher candidates, some mentor teachers might contact you before we notify you of your placement. If you are contacted by a mentor teacher, you are allowed to make arrangements to start in the classroom prior to the start dates listed above. While starting the school year with your mentor teacher is helpful, you are not required to start earlier than your assigned start date. It is completely up to you and your mentor teacher if you start earlier.

OCP will be extremely busy contacting districts, finalizing placements, preparing semester resources, and making coach assignments the closer we get to the semester. Please note that if you email us prior to January 8 inquiring about your placement details, you are unlikely to get a response. If you do not hear from us by January 9, please contact us at ocp@csufresno.edu.

Student Residents

Student residents will be notified by your Professor in Residence of your placement details.

155B Teacher Candidates

155B Teacher Candidates will be notified by your Subject Matter Area Coordinator/Advisor of your placement details.

Student Interns

All student interns must be approved by the [Teacher Internship Program](#). Applications for Spring 2024 Eligibility Approval Application will be available January 1st, after Fall semester grades are posted. Failure to apply to TIP may invalidate the district's offer or delay the completion of your credential program.

If you secure an internship and no longer need a previously requested placement from OCP, you must email ocp@csufresno.edu to inform them to release your placement.

Mentor Teachers

OCP does not directly communicate with your mentor teacher. Your mentor teacher's school administration should inform them of their assigned teacher candidate.

Program Calendars

All program calendars will be posted to the Clinical Practice website on our [Student Teacher Placement](#) page. The calendars are located under your Credential Program tab in the Semester Resources menu option. Your semester calendar will list important dates such as orientation, seminars, workshops, etc. There are many other valuable resources listed on our website as well.

Coach Assignments

Your coach will reach out to you the first week of the semester to introduce themselves. If you do not hear from your coach by January 26, please alert us at ocp@csufresno.edu.

Start Dates

The start dates listed in the timeline above are the standard start dates as indicated by your credential program. Please note that it's okay if you begin later than this date if your placement details are not completed and communicated to you by then.

All candidates are allowed to start with the district calendar, as discussed with your mentor teacher and/or Academic Subject Matter Advisor/Coordinator. Any hours worked prior to the program start date do not count towards your semester hours and should not be logged in Tk20.

Who can I contact if I still have questions?

For questions regarding internships, email: internship@mail.fresnostate.edu

For questions regarding your advising plan, email your [program coordinator](#)

For general clinical practice questions, refer to your program handbook, or email: ocp@csufresno.edu

Website

Visit our website: [Clinical Practice- Student Teacher Placements](#)

You will find links to your program's handbook, forms, semester calendars, Tk20 resources, FAST videos, and more.