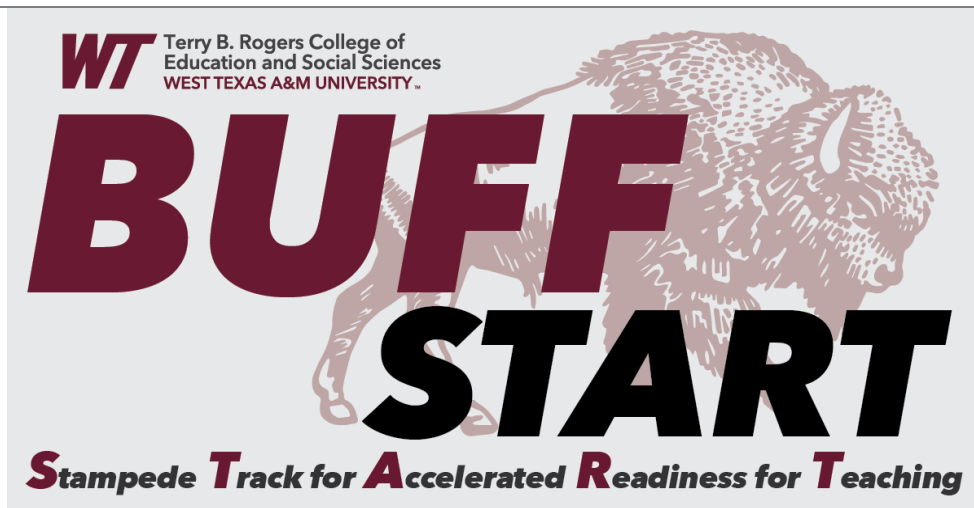




WTAMU BUFF START Program Checklist:

Basic Program Requirements:

- ☐ Have you received a recommendation from your school district administration?
- ☐ Have you served as a paraprofessional in your current school district for a minimum of four months?
- ☐ Do you hold a current Educational Aide Certificate [TAC §230.51]?
- ☐ Do you spend at least four hours (240 min.) of instruction per workday in the content area you wish to certify?
- ☐ Have you earned approximately 45-60 hours of college credit?
- ☐ Is your college GPA 2.75 or higher?
- ☐ Are you able to balance both work and school for at least 14 months?

Application Process

- ☐ School District Administrator submits the Buff START Program Recommendation Form.
- ☐ Send transcripts of all college credits to the WTAMU Education Academic Advisor for the Buff START program for review.
- ☐ Meet with WTAMU Education Academic Advisor for the Buff START program to receive pathway recommendations.
- ☐ Complete the undergraduate WTAMU Admissions Application.
- ☐ Upon acceptance into the Buff START program and West Texas A&M University, complete the application for entrance into the Educator Preparation Program (EPP).