

PROUD TO SERVE AGAIN



Hawaii





A Call to Service

Continue to fulfill your duty to America by helping shape the future of the country you served to protect. Through the Troops to

Teachers program, veterans like you have accepted the next great challenge, educating America's youth.

Since 1994, Troops to Teachers has helped thousands of military personnel find rewarding new careers as teachers. Because of teacher shortages in critical subject areas like math, science, special education, technical careers, and foreign languages, students around the country are losing out on the opportunities that a good education can provide them. Your decision to serve again as an educator can help to make a difference in the lives of the students that need it most.

Every classroom deserves a leader who displays courage, wisdom, and the willingness to give selflessly to others. Your military service prepared you well for this role. You have demonstrated impeccable leadership skills and focused discipline throughout your career. You have served with honor and distinction. Now you can take those ideals and serve as a role model and instructor to our nation's youth.

**Your country
is calling on
you again. Will
you answer?**

Bring your experience into the classroom and become a force for change in America.

What Troops to Teachers Can Do for You



If you have ever wondered how to translate your unique set of skills into a new career, Troops to Teachers can help. Troops to Teachers offers eligible military personnel the advice, resources, and tools they need to find meaningful work in education.

Troops to Teachers connects you to your state's education department and helps you navigate the transition from military service to a career in education. A network of state/regional Troops to Teachers offices has been set up around the country to provide helpful services such as

- » *counseling and assistance regarding teacher certification processes*
- » *information about the different pathways to state certification*
- » *leads on employment opportunities*
- » *information on financial assistance*

In addition to the state/regional offices, you can visit the central website, www.proudtoserveagain.com, for tips on résumé building, job search resources, advice about interviewing for a position, and much more. The website also includes a Self-Determination Eligibility Guide that helps you determine whether you are eligible to enroll in the program.





**Shape and
instruct the
leaders of
tomorrow.**

Financial Assistance Through Troops to Teachers

Troops to Teachers recognizes the importance of your commitment to serve again in our nation's classrooms and your willingness to teach in the communities and schools that need you most.

Troops to Teachers offers financial incentives to teach in the public school system, kindergarten through twelfth grade, to eligible veterans and military personnel. A stipend of up to \$5,000 is available to help with your teacher certification fees if you commit to teach for three years in a "high-need" school district. Alternatively, you may be eligible for a \$10,000 bonus if you commit to teach for three years in a "high-need" school that serves a high percentage of students in need of the most help.

Answer the Call

Our nation's youth need you. They deserve a high quality education and to be taught by individuals with compassion, drive, integrity, and commitment. You have exemplified these qualities throughout your military service. You can choose to help lead our country's children into a brighter future. Serve again. Become a teacher.



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Come Teach in Hawaii

Hawaii, the Aloha State, welcomes everyone from all parts of the world. It is the United States' own escape from reality with its world-renowned beaches, active volcanoes, and tropical forests. If you are looking to immerse yourself in a culture all its own, Hawaii is the state for you. Due to its unique history and an established indigenous population, Hawaii is also the only state that has an official native language. From its natural beauty to the bustling diverse metropolises, you are sure to find what you are looking for in the beautiful state of Hawaii.

There is a high demand for well-qualified teachers to help guide the next generation in the state of Hawaii. With the greatest needs in special education and elementary education (in isolated areas only), the time to serve again is now. Most of Hawaii's schools embrace the concept of School Community Councils, which involves shared decision-making, encourages parental participation, provides administrative flexibility, and empowers school communities. As a military member who is both a trained leader and team player, this is a perfect fit for you. Don't miss this chance to further serve your country. It is time to inspire the next generation!

Help educate
and inspire the
next generation
of citizens.

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SUCCESS STORIES

Peter Watterson

Peter Watterson, a New York City native, joined the Air Force and served as a communication technician. He later qualified as an Aircrew Airborne Communications Systems Operator

onboard a Special Operations HC-130 aircraft. Peter served for twenty-four years, sixteen of which were spent overseas. Attending college classes was difficult because of his heavy rotations and frequent flying. Peter picked up college credit along the way by attending lunchtime, online, and weekend courses. Finally after twenty years, he received his bachelor's degree in education.

After retirement, he enrolled in an alternative certification program and registered for support from Troops to Teachers. He was a certified teacher a year later. Peter has gone on to earn several teaching certifications in language arts and career counseling. For the past ten years, Peter has taught special education classes in Texas and Japan, and is now teaching in Hawaii.



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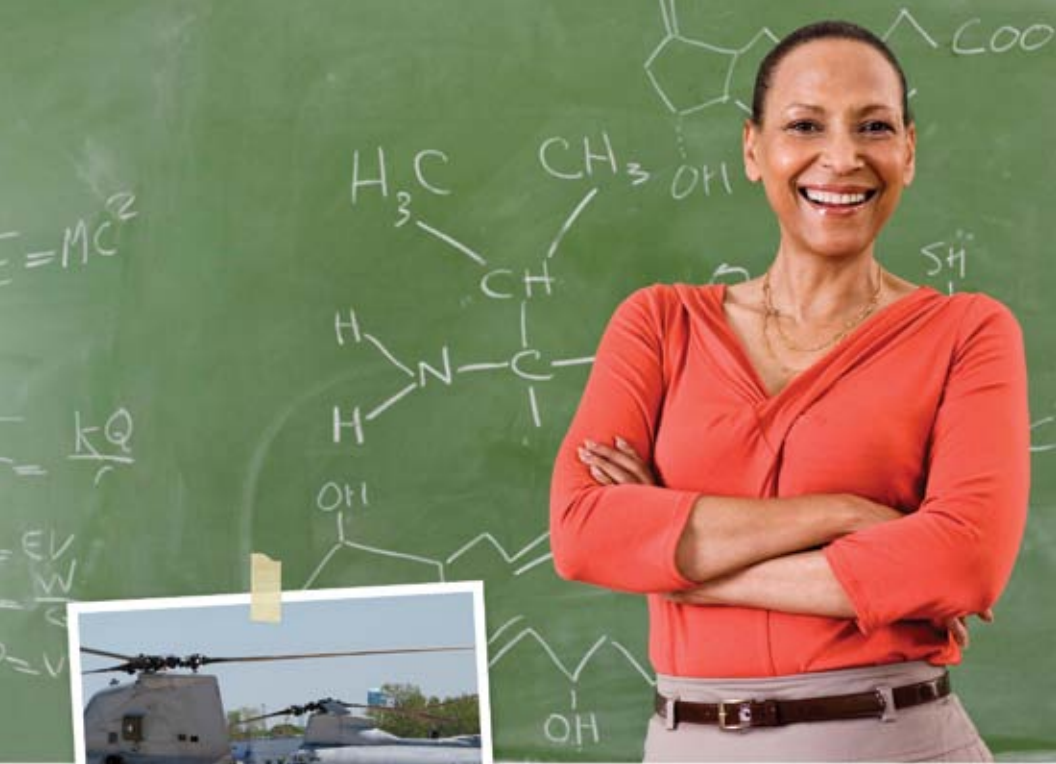
Tony Ray retired from the military after twenty years of service. During the last years of his service, he began pursuing a teaching degree. When he separated from the military, Tony decided to pursue what turned into a successful career as a financial consultant but soon realized his heart was not in it.

Tony Ray : He then began testing the educational waters by being a substitute teacher. It was through that experience that he rediscovered his passion for teaching. Through the Troops to Teachers program, Tony found employment as an educator and was able to take teaching classes while getting actual classroom experience.

Now, after seventeen years of teaching, Tony's passion hasn't faded. In addition to teaching, Tony has sponsored his school's science club, gamers club, chess club, and checkers club.

"The students are great every year," says Tony. "I hope to be teaching here when I'm ninety!"





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