

What is an Elementary Grade/ School Teacher?

An elementary grade/school teacher is an individual who helps students anywhere between kindergarten and grade 8 in developing academic skills ranging from literacy, numeracy, mathematics, and social sciences while following a set curriculum and using various lesson plans. These individuals also mentor and aid students through difficult situations both in and outside of the classroom. Elementary school teachers are in charge of teaching up to 25 students in a class. Pre-pandemic the classes would take place in person and during the pandemic, they have switched to virtual learning which was a transition for the elementary school teachers to work through. Elementary teachers are responsible for maintaining a safe, positive and welcoming environment for students in order to maintain a good classroom environment to optimize student development and learning capabilities. School teachers help support their students and create relationships with the classroom so students feel comfortable sharing. Teachers listen and observe to see if there is anything going on with students' physical/emotional/mental health. Teachers also have a duty to report. Teachers who teach Kindergarten to Grade 4 partake in various tasks such as helping students prepare for recess and lunchtime including dressing and undressing in outdoor attire, helping put on outdoor shoes, and preparing to eat lunch/snacks. Elementary school teachers work to encourage their students to develop a love for learning and empower students. This job requires a Bachelor of Education along with an Undergraduate degree and passion for teaching.