

# OBU-School District Partnership

## Educational Benefits

Any employee at a partner school will be eligible for the following benefits. Undergraduate students must submit FAFSA documentation, with OBU receiving the full amount of PELL funding. Normal admissions criteria will be followed. Textbooks are not covered by the partnership.



## ■ Undergraduate Programs

- 1. Bachelor of Science, General Studies in Education (*non-licensure track*)**
  - 120 credit hours
  - Fully online; 8-week courses
  - Free Student Tuition
  - Upon graduation, students must apply for alternative teacher certification with the OSDE and meet state licensure requirements (e.g., pass certification examinations).
- 2. BSE - Elementary Education (*licensure track*)**
  - 120 credit hours
  - Fully online, asynchronous 8-week courses with some synchronous education methods classes meeting once weekly by Zoom.
  - Free Student Tuition
  - Students participate in student teaching and take state certification exams, leading to traditional licensure.
- 3. BSE - Special Education, Elementary Track (*licensure track*)**
  - 132 credit hours
  - Fully online, asynchronous 8-week courses with some synchronous education methods classes meeting once weekly by Zoom.
  - Free Student Tuition
  - Students participate in student teaching and take state certification exams, leading to traditional licensure.
- 4. Other Online Bachelor Programs**
  - Employees are eligible for any fully online degree available through OBU.

## ■ Graduate Programs

- 1. Alternative Teaching Certificate (*ACCESS*)**
  - 18 Credit Hours
  - Fully online, 8-week courses
  - For those seeking alternative teacher certification
  - Tuition Scholarship: \$100 off/hour, reducing tuition to \$275/credit hour (Normal Tuition: \$375/credit hour)
  - Potential Additional Funding: Eligible for AVEDIS funding (covers half of tuition) while funds are available
- 2. Master of Arts in Teaching (*MAT*)**
  - 36 Credit Hours
  - Fully online, 8-week courses
  - Tuition Scholarship: \$100 off/hour, reducing tuition to \$275/credit hour (Normal Tuition: \$375/credit hour)
  - Potential Additional Funding: Eligible for additional teacher funds (TEACH grant)
  - Areas of Emphasis include:
    - Reading Specialist
    - Behavior and Trauma
    - Curriculum and Instruction
    - Teaching English Language Learners
    - ACCESS

## Procedures

### Prospective Students

- Apply through OBU's application portal at [okbu.edu/apply](http://okbu.edu/apply)
- Select the Online Bachelors or Graduate Admission application and complete all details, noting employment in the partner district.
- Complete the FAFSA and OBU Financial Aid application.
- OBU's team will assist in enrolling in courses.

