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## What are some characteristics of an ACCESS teacher?

- Likes a challenge and is willing to try new things
- Thinks outside the box and is flexible
- Is an open communicator (willing to ask for help and share problems and/or concerns)
- Has great organizational skills
- Is a computer literate individual
- Is willing to share ideas with other teachers

## What are the steps to becoming an ACCESS Teacher?

- Complete an online Application (<http://accessdl.state.al.us>)
- Submit required paperwork
- Participate in an interview process
- Attend required training sessions
- Attend scheduled, ongoing, professional development

"The world our students are coming into is so different from the one we entered. They're competing on a global level ... and **ACCESS** gives them a boost of confidence that they can compete in this way."

– **ACCESS** Teacher

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**ACCESS Distance Learning**  
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"I have to share with somebody. My students just called and one made a 4 and one made a 5 ... it is certainly good advertisement for taking AP US History online. I am so excited for them!"

– ACCESS Teacher

# ACCESS Distance Learning:

Becoming an interactive video-conferencing or online teacher.



## What are the requirements for becoming an ACCESS teacher?

- Be certified and highly qualified in Alabama in the content area/subject being taught
- Meet background check requirements
- Have prior teaching experience
- Attend all required trainings



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## What is ACCESS Distance Learning?

ACCESS Distance Learning (Alabama Connecting Classrooms, Educators, and Students Statewide), an education initiative of the Alabama Department of Education, provides opportunities and options for Alabama high school students to engage in Advanced Placement (AP), electives, and other courses to which they may not otherwise have access.



## What are the advantages of ACCESS Distance Learning?

- Instant expansion of course offerings
- Advanced-level courses in areas such as foreign languages, electives, and higher mathematics
- Advanced Placement and/or dual credit courses
- State-approved curricula using the latest interactive instructional models
- Alabama-certified teachers
- High-quality, interactive Internet-delivered asynchronous instruction for web-based courses
- Synchronous (real-time) instruction utilizing multipoint videoconferencing equipment for IVC (interactive videoconferencing) and blended courses

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## What are the advantages of ACCESS Distance Learning to teachers?

- Obtain training on 21st Century skills and technologies that can be taken back to local classrooms
- Share knowledge and expertise with students and other teachers from across the state
- Facilitate collaboration among schools
- Receive compensation (per student per half-credit) for work performed:
  - Web-based instruction (WBI), taught outside regular school day: \$150.00
  - Blended, not taught as part of regular class load: \$150.00
  - VCI, taught as part of regular teaching assignment: \$75.00
  - Blended, taught as part of regular teaching assignment: \$75.00
  - WBI, taught by retired or otherwise inactive teacher: \$150.00
  - VCI, taught by retired or otherwise inactive teacher: \$150.00
  - VCI, delivered within teacher's local school system: none

We welcome teachers with a passion for education, who are open to new perspectives and have a genuine commitment to putting students first. For more information, visit our Web site <http://accessdl.state.al.us> or contact your regional support center.

# WHO

## Call 334-242-9594 for your region's ACCESS Distance Learning contact:

- Region 1 (and Tarrant City): Nuncy Rembert
- Region 2 (and Birmingham City): Scott Booth
- Region 3 (and Trussville City): TBA
- Region 4: Larry Raines
- Region 6 (and Leeds City): Rhonda Oates
- Region 7 (and Jefferson County): Ramona Langston
- Region 8: John Halbrooks
- Region 9 (and Bessemer City): Misty Richardson
- Region 10 (and Fairfield City): Terry Atchison
- Region 11 (and Midfield City): Linda Jarzyniecki

## ACCESS Distance Learning Support Center Regions

