



What is Jump Start?

The Jump Start to Teaching Program is designed to provide support to new teachers who have entered teaching through a non-traditional track. These teachers hold or will hold a Virginia Provisional Teaching License and are working on obtaining full professional licensure. The goal of this program is to ensure that participants become effective classroom teachers who have successfully completed the requirements to obtain their Virginia Professional Teaching License.

Components of the Jump Start to Teaching Program are:

- Two-day Summer Session in August to focus on building productive relationships with students and effective instruction
- Pairing with a trained Enhancing Professional Practice mentor
- One Praxis II preparation class and testing (2 test maximum) not to exceed \$500
- Discount on tuition expenses on college coursework required for full licensure

Jump Start to Teaching participants commit to three years of teaching with Newport News Public Schools.