### NORTHWEST FLORIDA state College

# **Elementary Education** BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The Northwest Florida State College Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education program is designed to prepare students for teaching positions in grades Kindergarten through sixth.



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### **PRACTICAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

School-based "field experiences" are embedded throughout the NWFSC Elementary Education Program. The field experience component is a part of many program courses and allows students to observe in a classroom, present a lesson, assist the teacher or complete other school-based activities. The program culminates in a 510 hour teaching internship, or student teaching assignment.

### **BECOMING A CERTIFIED TEACHER**

The bachelor's degree is a crucial element in obtaining Florida teacher certification. Actual certification is determined by the Florida Department of Education and there are additional steps associated with the process. This program is designed to cover the content and competencies required by the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) in preparation for certification in Elementary Education. The Elementary Education program will also qualify the student for the Reading Endorsement & English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Endorsement. The FLDOE website (www.fldoe.org) provides current information regarding certification requirements.

### **JOB OUTLOOK**

Students completing the B.S. in Elementary Education at NWFSC will complete requirements for FLDOE teacher certification. Many graduates find positions in the local school districts as certified classroom teachers. Job opportunities outside of teaching include but are not limited to training and development, youth program management, research and writing, and staff development.

### SALARY RANGE

Median annual earnings of teachers are \$59,670. The middle 50 percent earn between \$47,300 and \$77,440. The lowest 10 percent earn less than \$39,020 and the highest 10 percent earn \$97,900. <sup>1</sup>

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### **ADMISSIONS**

### To apply online visit www.nwfsc.edu/admissions. You must:

- Complete an A.A. or 60 semester hours from a regionally accredited college or university
- Request official transcripts from any postsecondary institution attended
- Complete NWFSC general admissions and residency forms
- Meet with the Teacher Education Director to plan a program of study before enrolling in classes
- See additional admission requirements on the website: www.nwfsc.edu/Education

## FINANCIAL AID

The mission of NWFSC is to serve everyone who can benefit from a college education. NWFSC offers an extensive financial aid program. More than \$21 million in financial assistance is awarded to NWFSC students annually through federal, state, and local grants, college work-study, loans and scholarships. For detailed information on financial aid and a complete list of available scholarships, refer to the NWFSC catalog, the NWFSC Financial Aid Office or visit the Financial Aid website at www.nwfsc.edu/financialaid. Local scholarships are available through the NWFSC Foundation. For more information call 850-729-5370.

### **ADVISING & INFORMATION**

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<sup>1</sup> Information provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Job outlook and salary range reflect national trends.

### SIX LOCATIONS OF NWFSC

Niceville Campus Fort Walton Beach Campus Chautauqua Center Hurlburt Field Center Robert L. F. Sikes Education Center South Walton Center

Northwest Florida State College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Degree-granting institutions also may offer credentials such as certificates and diplomas at approved degree levels. Questions about the accreditation of Northwest Florida State College may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org).