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## ELEMENTARY TEACHER

**HIGH-DEMAND**  
Job in Kansas



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Felipe visits his former fourth grade teacher at Beeson Elementary School in Dodge City. He learns how Miss Stevenson — the 2022 Kansas Teacher of the Year! — prepares for class, and he even gets to help her teach.

Elementary school educators teach many subjects and help students with social skills in public or private schools from kindergarten until middle school.

**Typical Education Required For This Job:** BACHELOR'S DEGREE

### Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. What subject does Felipe help Miss Stevenson teach?

Geometry/math

2. How many students are in Kansas?

More than 490,000

3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning “no way” and 10 meaning “this seems like a great job for me someday,” how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

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*Definitely not*

*Maybe*

*I'm super interested*

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Elementary School Teacher page on the **HirePaths.com** website. What's the median salary for someone working in this job in the state of Kansas?

\$60,940



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## HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST

HIGH-DEMAND  
Job in Kansas



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Aidan visits Labette Health in Parsons to learn about the job of a human resources specialist in a regional hospital. He meets Ashley, the hospital's human resources director, and learns about her role in recruiting and hiring employees — as well as all she does to keep employees happy and growing in their careers.

Human resources specialists recruit, screen, and interview workers to place them in jobs. They may also handle employee relations, training and compensation.

**Typical Education Required For This Job:** BACHELOR'S DEGREE

### Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. What's another name for "human resources" that a company might use?

Talent acquisition or human capital

2. Name one skill Ashley says is good to have for this job.

Confidence, public speaking, strong customer service, ability to facilitate difficult conversations or flexibility

3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning "no way" and 10 meaning "this seems like a great job for me someday," how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

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*Definitely not*

*Maybe*

*I'm super interested*

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Human Resources Specialist page on **HirePaths.com**. What's the median salary in Kansas for this job?

\$58,230



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## EMERGENCY DISPATCHER



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Nikaela visits the Kansas City Kansas Police Department's Emergency Dispatch Unit and interviews Jaz, a veteran dispatcher. Come along on this virtual field trip to a police dispatch unit to see what goes on behind the scenes!

Emergency dispatchers answer emergency and non-emergency calls and send the appropriate personnel to respond.

**Typical Education Required For This Job:** HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

### Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. True or false: There are two types of emergency dispatchers: police and fire *Circle one.*



X  
FALSE

2. What's one course Jaz recommends taking in high school if you're interested in this job?

Communications, sociology, psychology or law enforcement

3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning "no way" and 10 meaning "this seems like a great job for me someday," how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

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*Definitely not*

*Maybe*

*I'm super interested*

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Police, Fire and Ambulance Dispatcher page on **HirePaths.com**. What's the anticipated growth projection for this job in Kansas?

Growth