

The West Bengal Board of Primary Education (WBBPE) sets standard selection and admission guidelines for the 2-Year Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) course (Regular Mode) in NCTE-recognized and affiliated government/private institutes across West Bengal.

1. Basic Eligibility Criteria

- I. Nationality: Must be an Indian citizen.
- II. Academic Qualification: Passed Higher Secondary (10+2) or its equivalent examination from a recognized Board/Council/University:
- III. General Category: Minimum 50% marks in aggregate.
- IV. Reserved Categories (SC/ST/OBC-A/OBC-B/PwD/Ex-Servicemen): Minimum 45% marks in aggregate (5% relaxation).

Note: Reserved category certificates must be issued by a competent authority of the Government of West Bengal. Certificates from other states are treated under the General Category.

V. Language Requirements (Medium of Instruction):

VI. Must have studied the primary medium language (Bengali / Hindi / Urdu / Nepali / Santhali) as a compulsory subject carrying at least 100 marks at the 10+2 level.

VII. Must have studied English as a Second/Other Language carrying at least 100 marks at the 10+2 level.

2. Age Limit

(As of July 1st of the application notification year)

Category - Upper Age Limit

- I. General - 35 years
- II. OBC-A / OBC-B - 38 years
- III. SC / ST - 40 years
- IV. Person with Disabilities (PwD) - 45 years
- V. Ex-Servicemen - 55 years
- VI. In-Service Primary Teachers - No upper age limit (if appointed before specified cutoff dates)

3. Seat Reservation Rules

- I. Category-wise Reservation: Follows West Bengal State Government reservation rules for SC, ST, OBC-A, OBC-B, PwD, and Ex-Servicemen.
- II. Vocational Stream: 4% of seats (e.g., 2 out of 50 seats per institute) are reserved for candidates passing from Higher Secondary Vocational Stream with at least 50% marks and two studied languages including English.

- III. Management Quota: Up to 10% seats in Self-Financed (Private) Un-aided Non-Government Institutes are reserved under Management Quota, following Board merit criteria. No management quota exists in Govt. / Govt.-Sponsored / Govt.-Aided institutes.

4. Merit Calculation Method

Selection is purely merit-based based on performance in Higher Secondary (10+2), calculated using the Best Five Subjects rule:

- I. Take the aggregate of the best 5 scored subjects.
- II. First Language and/or Second Language (English) must be included if they fall in the top scoring subjects.
- III. Environmental Studies (EVS) is excluded unless it was taken as an elective subject.

Calculation Example:

If a candidate scores: Language I (60), Language II (81), Political Science (68), Geography (82), History (62), Philosophy (74), and EVS (88 - non-elective):

5. Admission Procedure

- I. Online Application: Candidates submit applications via the official WBBPE portal (wbbpe.wb.gov.in) during the open notification window.
- II. Choice Filling: Select preferred district, institute type (Govt/Private), medium of instruction, and specific colleges.
- III. Institute-Level Verification: Institutes digitally verify uploaded marksheets, age proofs, and reservation certificates against the submitted online details.
- IV. Digital Merit List Publication: WBBPE prepares and publishes the district-wise and institute-wise provisional merit list.
- V. Document Verification & Fee Payment: Selected candidates present original documents for physical verification at the allocated institute and pay required admission fees.