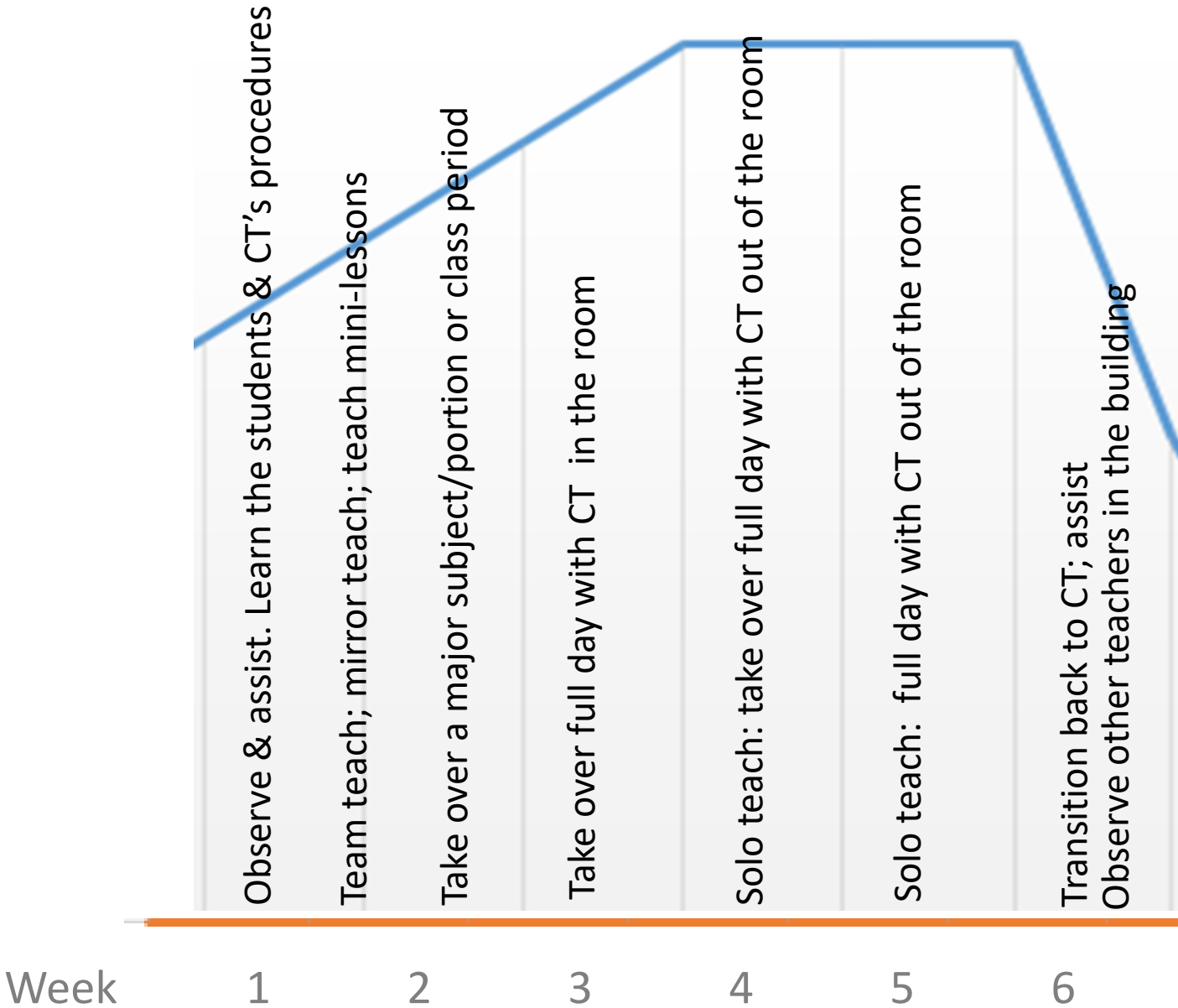


# Recommended 6-Week Student Teaching Arc

*Minimum requirement of 2 weeks solo-teaching.*



## Related Information & Expectations

- This arc is one recommended possibility, not the only possibility. At the beginning of the semester, the CT and teacher candidate should calendar out a schedule of assumption of responsibility that works for both of them but still ensures the teacher candidate completes **two solo weeks** of teaching in each six-week placement (four total solo weeks in the semester).
- The CT shall NOT leave the teacher candidate to take over in the first week. There should be a gradual assumption of responsibility.
- The CT should model strong planning and teaching practices. The CT should review the candidate's lesson plans regularly.
- The CT shall train the teacher candidate in all non-instructional aspects of the position, including grade entry, attendance, etc., and provide necessary access.
- The CT shall be sure the candidate has a total of 2 weeks in which the candidate is fully in charge of planning, teaching, and completing required non-instructional tasks. The CT should not be in the classroom during this four weeks except for observations. (*Exception: running a small group acting as a para, with plans created by the teacher candidate.*) This allows the students to more easily regard the candidate as the "teacher" of the class.

## Legal Liability Information

- Cooperating teachers must remain in the building at all times, even when out of the classroom, as the CT is legally liable for the students. Hence, the CT must be available to return to the classroom at any time if needed.
- If the CT is absent, the district must hire a substitute, even if the teacher candidate is teaching full-time. (*Legally, a paid district employee must be on the premises for each class of students.*)
  - The district may choose to hire the candidate as a substitute for an occasional absence of the CT, on which days the candidate works as a paid employee of the district.
  - The candidate may not be hired to cover other classrooms, nor should the CT be pulled to cover other classrooms, as that would leave the CT unavailable to return to the class if needed.