Be the Best for Your Students.
Do the Best for You.

The Minnesota NBCT Network
Today

Learning Goal/Target for the day: Participants will understand the National Board goals, processes and benefits in order to make a decision about next steps

Agenda:
- Introductions
- Overview of the process
- Lots of time for questions
What Is National Board Certification?

A voluntary advanced professional certification for PreK-12 educators that identifies teaching expertise through a performance-based, peer-reviewed assessment process.
National Board Certification is:

★ Recognition for accomplished teaching—content knowledge and teaching pedagogy

★ Advanced certification

★ Voluntary

★ Assessment based on national standards of accomplished teaching developed by teachers, for teachers

★ Proven to increase student learning...
National Board Certification…

… is all about YOU, YOUR context, and YOUR students!

It...

• Concentrates education reform in the classroom
• Requires intense analysis and self-reflection
• Is based on high and rigorous standards
• Is performance-based
• Reflects the complexity of teaching
• Fosters collaboration
Standards Based

- Standards are based on the NBPTS policy statement, *What Teachers Should Know and Be Able to Do*, which explores in detail the “Five Core Propositions”

- Standards were written by practicing classroom teachers, developmental experts, and educational leaders in each respective disciplinary field, from across the country

**The Five Core Propositions**

1. Teachers are committed to students and their learning.
2. Teachers know the subjects they teach and how to teach those subjects to students.
3. Teachers are responsible for managing and monitoring student learning.
4. Teachers think systematically about their practice and learn from experience.
5. Teachers are members of learning communities.
The National Board Process

Component 1 (C1)
Content Knowledge
Evidenced by Assessment Center

Component 2 (C2)
Differentiation in Instruction
Evidenced by Student Work

Component 3 (C3)
Teaching Practice and Learning Environment
Evidenced by Video

Component 4 (C4)
Effective and Reflective Practitioner
Evidenced by Assessment and Collaboration
The important question: Why?

What motivates teachers to take on an additional, voluntary process?
You’ll get to know your students better.
You’ll get to know your subject better.
You’ll get to know yourself and your teaching better.
You MIGHT make more money.
You can now take up to three years to finish.
National Board Certification

Why You Might Think You Don’t Want to Pursue It
“I’m too busy; it’s not a good time.”

You’ll always be too busy, and there’s never a good time.
"It costs too much."

-You can apply for an Education Minnesota scholarship to pay $1,000 per year.
“It feels like one more thing.”

You’ll be working with your students and your lesson plans, doing the things you always felt like you should be doing anyway. It’s a lot of work, but it’s meaningful work.
“It seems like too much to tackle alone.”

Give me your email address, and I will connect you with a cohort or mentor.
Why Pursue Certification?

Three more reasons...
Reason #1

The National Board process is an opportunity to take back your own professional development. We all know, relying on our own self-direction yields the best results!

Tired of being directed by others?

National Board can offer autonomy over your own professional development.
We also know, mastering our craft of teaching is satisfying and rewarding. We all have the urge to get better....

The National Board process also offers meaningful work and practice toward mastering the craft of teaching.
Reason # 3

And, it gives my work purpose which makes me feel great!

And research has shown, the National Board process makes a contribution to improve your students’ growth!
Challenge + Mastery + Making a Contribution = MOTIVATION!
Incentives

Upon attaining NB Certification, you will:

★ Improve impact on students.
★ Advance your career.
★ Qualify for all 125 hours of professional development needed for license renewal.
★ Receive a stipend or pay increase, if your district offers it.
What do National Board Certified Teachers do for schools?

★ Build learning communities

★ Support mentoring for new or struggling teachers

★ Create closer ties among your school and your students, families and communities

★ Provide public distinction for your school

★ Improve student learning
Interested?

Next Steps:
Who is Eligible?

★ Educators with access to a preK-12 classroom.

★ 3 years of teaching experience.

★ Licensed in available certification area...
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Education Minnesota Foundations Scholarship for National Board Certification $1000, applications due Nov. 2. (see this month’s Educator)

https://edmnfoundation.org/overview/#NBCT

**NBPTS Fees**

- **$75** Yearly Registration fee (non-refundable)
- **$475** Per component ($1,900 total)
Personalize your timeline

★ You may take one or more components per year.
★ You must attempt each of the four components within a 3-year period.
★ You may take one year off during the process as long as you follow the 3 year requirement.
★ After each initial attempt of a component, you will have 2 opportunities to retake.
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The Process

**Apply**
* Register and Apply by Feb 28
* Study standards and Components

**Prepare**
* Read
* Plan
* Document
* Attend candidate support sessions

**Write & Collaborate**
* Describe
* Analyze
* Reflect
* Attend candidate support sessions

**Submit**
* Component 2 and/or 3 and/or 4 by mid-May. Component 1 by June 15.

*Specific Dates TBD*

**Planning**
**Collecting**
**Documenting**
**Analyzing**
**Reflecting**
The Scoring

- Defined by a rubric based on standards and core propositions.
- 60% Portfolio and 40% Assessment Center
- Assessed by trained scorers in the specific teaching field
- Holistic
- Valid, fair and reliable
- Applicable for 2 additional years.
How will my certification be scored?

National Board Certification Assessment Weights

Floor score minimum of 1.75 for:
- Unweighted average of 3 CRIs and SRI section
- Unweighted average of 3 portfolio components

Weighting
C1 = 40% of Total Score
- SRIs = 20%; CRIs = 20%
C2, C3, and C4 = 60% of Total Score
- C2 = 15%; C3 = 30%; C4 = 15%

Additional information can be found in the Scoring Guide at www.nbpts.org
Don’t worry: In Minnesota you’re not alone...
Minnesota NBCT Network
Support for Participants

★ NBCT Minnesota Support Sessions at Mounds View Education Association 8:30-11:30
  ○ November 2, 2019
  ○ December 7, 2019
  ○ January 11, 2020
  ○ February 8, 2020
  ○ April 4, 2020
  ○ May 2, 2020
★ March 6-8 Retreat at the Humanities Center in St. Paul.
Resources:

★ NBPTS Process:
www.boardcertifiedteachers.org

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Like us on Facebook at Minnesota NBCT Network:
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★ More information and links on Education Minnesota under Resources
http://www.educationminnesota.org/resources.aspx#National-board-certification

★ ED Connect Communities