

Newly Revised National Board Certification

Illinois NBPTS Comprehensive Support System

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What is National Board?

“National Board Certified Teachers have demonstrated that they have met the profession’s highest standards for accomplished practice through a rigorous, performance-based, peer-review process.”

NBPTS 2013

National Board For Professional Teaching Standards

NBPTS Responds to Teachers

NBPTS Revises the Process!

- To meet the goal to improve education for all students.
- To incorporate the latest research on best practices.
- To remove barriers for teachers to seek National Board Certification.

Efficiency

Maintain the same level of rigor

while

submitting four components!

Affordability

- Total cost will decrease from \$2,500 to \$1,900 for the four components.
- The Illinois State Board of Education will pay the \$1,900 cost of all four components.
- Candidates pay the \$75 assessment application fee at the beginning of each cycle (year).

What Will Be The Same?

- NBPTS Standards, Five Core Propositions, Rubrics, and Architecture of Accomplished Teaching
- Writing Responses to Questions
- Videotaping
- Student Work
- Assessment Center
- Peer Scorers
- Content Knowledge
- Commitment to Student Learning

Eligibility Requirements

- A valid Illinois teaching license
- A bachelor's degree
- Three years teaching experience
- Currently teaching or can borrow a classroom

Five Core Propositions

- Teachers are committed to students and their learning.
- Teachers know the subjects they teach and how to teach those subjects to students.
- Teachers are responsible for managing and monitoring student learning.
- Teachers think systematically about their practice and learn from experience.
- Teachers are members of learning communities.

Enhanced Architecture of Accomplished Teaching

START HERE:

•ASSESSMENT OF STUDENTS

- Who are they?
- Where are they now?
- What do they need and when do they need it?
- Where should I begin?

Set high, worthwhile goals appropriate for these students, at this time, in this setting.

Design and implement instruction designed to attain these goals.

Set new high and worthwhile goals that are appropriate for these students at this time.

Reflect on student learning, the effectiveness of instructional design, particular concerns and issues.

Provide timely, meaningful feedback to students about their level of accomplishment of the targeted goals.

Evaluate student learning in light of the goals and the instruction.

25 Certificates Are Offered

Student Age-Ranges

Early Childhood 3-8 years old (EC)

Middle Childhood 7-12 years old (MC)

Early Adolescence 11-15 years old (EA)

Young Adulthood 14-18 years old

School Counseling/Early Childhood through Young Adulthood

Subject Areas

Linked to the Illinois Content Area Teaching Standards

What is Different?

Four Components to the Process

Component 1. Content Knowledge

Component 2. Differentiation in Instruction

Component 3. Teaching Practice and
Classroom Environment

Component 4. Effective and Reflective
Practitioner

NBPTS Roll Out Over Time

- Application will be available in Spring 2014.
- All components will not be available immediately.
- NBPTS will develop and offer the four components over the next three years.
- Candidates applying in this cycle, 2014-2015, will complete the process in three years.

Availability of Components

Components

School Year Available

Component 1

2014-2015

Component 2

2014-2015

Component 3

2015-2016

Component 4

2016-2017

Illinois State Board of Education

ISBE Responds to Teachers!

Illinois Financial Support

- The total costs of NB certification will be \$1,900 which includes the four components being rolled out by NBPTS over the course of the three year revision cycle.
- ISBE will pay the \$1,900 directly to NBPTS which will cover the costs of all four of the components to be completed during the three years. Note: This is the first year that ISBE is paying the full costs of candidacy and cannot guarantee that the total cost will be paid during future application cycles.

National Board Resource Center at Illinois State University

The NBRC Responds to Teachers!

NBRC Candidate Support

- Processes IL Candidate Fee Subsidy Applications.
- Offers website resources for candidates.
- Manages candidate support.
- Provides face-to-face candidate support and virtual candidate support.
- Supports Regional Coordinators to arrange and support mentors, cohorts, and NBCT training throughout Illinois.

Why National Board?

Benefits of Just Completing the NBPTS Process...

- The process enhances reflective/analytical thinking about instructional practice and its impact on student learning.
- Most NBCTs and candidates say it is the best professional development experience they ever had.

NBC is More Than Just Recognition

Teachers demonstrate that they meet high and rigorous teaching standards.

Our profession benefits from every achievement:

- Developing a common language of accomplished teaching
- Identifying accomplished teachers
- Raising the public's perception of educators

The five core propositions are becoming embedded in:

- Teacher preparation programs
- Continuing professional development for teachers
- Teacher daily reflective thinking

Benefits of Becoming an NBCT...

Illinois Law offers:

- Illinois *Master Teacher* Designation followed by the area of National Board Certification.
- Fulfills continuing professional development requirements for 5 years.
- Only avenue to become a *Master Teacher* in Illinois.
- Illinois detailed information -
<http://www.isbe.net/profprep/nbpts.htm>

Through NBPTS and ACE:

- 9 hours of ACE graduate credit in education.

Specific to School District:

- Contact your school district for information for district benefits (lane change, stipend, leadership roles, etc.)

Professional Educators License- National Board Certification

- Beginning on July 1, 2013, the master certificate was issued as an NBPTS designation titled “Master Teacher” followed by the area of the certification achieved via NBPTS.
- The National Board “Master Teacher” designation will renew automatically after five years allowing for a ten year renewal cycle.
- More information on the ISBE website:
<http://www.isbe.net/certification/default.htm>

National Board Certification in Illinois

Growth of ILLINOIS NBCTs

Year	#NBCTs
1994	4
1995	7
1996	11
1997	17
1998	37
1999	90
2000	188
2001	352
2002	575
2003	829
2004	1,240
2005	1,566
2006	1,988
2007	2,492
2008	3,191
2009	3,923
2010	4,692
2011	5,153
2012	5,582
2013	5,842

Professional Educator License

- Self-contained elementary, content-area endorsements, special education, administrative and school service personnel endorsements along with appropriate grade levels will be placed on a professional educator license or an educator license with stipulations.
- A National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) designation will appear on the teaching license as a “Master Teacher” designation.

Note: ISBE made significant rule changes to the Illinois Licensing System when implementation of Public Act 097-0607 became effective on July 1, 2013.

What Support is Available to Illinois Candidates?

Eligible for State Funding

- Be a teacher or counselor.
- Teach in an Illinois public school.
- Hold a valid Illinois Professional Educator License (PEL).
- Hold a valid Illinois Educator Identification License Number (IEIN).
- Be a first time applicant who has not used the Illinois NB fee subsidy in past years.

Three Resources for Support

- 1. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)**
 - ✓ Manages the National Board Assessment System.
- 2. National Board Resource Center (NBRC) at Illinois State University**
 - ✓ Processes the applications for the IL Candidate Fee Subsidy.
 - ✓ Offers website resources for candidates.
 - ✓ Manages candidate support (current).
 - ✓ Provides face to face candidate support, virtual candidate support, and Regional Coordinators to oversee and manage regions (current).
- 3. ISU Graduate Course, SIU-E Graduate Course**
 - ✓ Availability dependent on numbers registered for the course.
- 4. Voluntary NBCT-led Candidate Support**
 - ✓ NBCTs may volunteer to set up cohorts or individually mentor candidates.

What Do I Do Next?

1. Make the commitment.
2. Familiarize yourself with your state and local application requirements at the NBRC at ISU website. <http://www.nbrc.illinoisstate.edu>

Priority for Illinois Funding

In the event there are more applications than available funding, the state will prioritize applications on a first come, first serve basis for teachers who meet one of these qualifications:

- Teach in an AEWS School.
- Teach in a AWS School.
- Teach in a school with 50% or more students on free or reduced lunch.

Note: Those who do NOT meet the criteria will be placed on a WAITING LIST.

How to Apply for State Funding

**The 2014 Window for the Illinois NBPTS Candidate Fee Subsidy
opened on February 21, 2014 for a limited number of First-Time Illinois
Candidates!**

Details about the Application Process

September 1, 2014 at 10:00 AM – October 19, 2014 at 4:00 PM

Step 1: Visit the Homepage of the [NBRC](#) at Illinois State University.

Step 2: Follow the directions on the button—

[Candidate Support 2014-2015 Cycle ►](#).

Illinois Application Resources

- Resources Found in [Practice Application](#) on [NBRC Website](#)
- Academic Early Warning Lists and Academic Watch Lists
- 50% or More Students on Free or Reduced-Priced Lunch Program Schools
- NBPTS Teaching Certificate Abbreviation
- School RCDTS Codes
- Illinois Educator Identification License (PEL)

NBPTS Resources

- NBPTS Website www.nbpts.org
- Boardcertifiedteachers.org

Illinois Resources

- NBRC at ISU website

<http://www.nbrc.illinoisstate.edu>

- ISBE website

www.isbe.net/profprep/nbpts.htm

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