Oregon

National Board Certification Funding

Program Description

National Board Certification concentrates education reform in the classroom-where teaching and learning takes place. National Board Certification is a demonstration of a teacher's practice as measured against high and rigorous standards.

Although the process is rigorous and time consuming, it provides a personal focus on teaching and learning that teachers report is the best professional development of their careers. To learn more about what's involved, visit http://www.nbpts.org.

Funding Available:

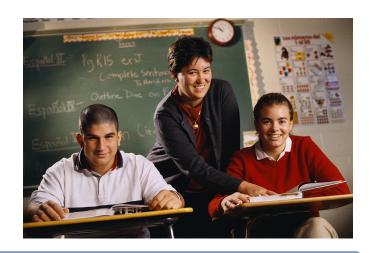
Financial assistance is available for teachers throughout Oregon to help offset the \$2,500 fee (plus a \$65 application fee) to pursue National Board Certification. Once a teacher has paid the initial \$500 fee, his or her name is automatically added to the list to receive a \$1,250 federal fee subsidy. The remaining \$750 must be paid by January 31st of the year following your application. Visit http://www.nbpts.org/scholarships for more information about available scholarships, including those that are reserved for teachers in Portland and Salem schools.

Oregon Teachers Standards and Practices

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Application Process and Pre-requisites:

Information about online support programs is available at http://www.education.wsu.edu/certification/nbpts/ and http://www.nuptdc.org.

Take One!, another offering from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, allows teachers to experience one part of the certification process before committing to full candidacy. Schools are using *Take One!* to create professional learning communities and as a strategy for school-wide improvement in teaching and learning. To learn more about this option, visit http://www.nbpts.org/products and services/take one1.

To view a list of Oregon teachers who have earned National Board Certification, visit http://www.nbpts.org/resources/nbct_directory.

For additional information, visit http://www.nbpts.org or call 1-800 22TEACH, or contact Kay Garcia MBCT, NBPTS Regional Outreach Director.