



**National Board Professional  
Development  
Schools 2023-2024**

Research-Based Ongoing  
Professional Development Opportunity

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Creating A Professional Learning Community

# FACT SHEET

## Route to National Board Professional Development School

### WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THIS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY?

- Focus on completing two National Board components:
  - **National Board Component 1: Content Knowledge**

A computer-based assessment asks you to demonstrate your understanding of content knowledge and pedagogical practices for teaching your content area. You must demonstrate knowledge of developmentally appropriate content, which is necessary for teaching across the full age range and ability level of your chosen certificate area. This is assessed through the completion of three constructed response exercises and 45 selected response items.
  - **National Board Component 3: Teaching Practice and Learning Environment**

This portfolio entry requires video recordings of interactions between you and your students. You will also submit a written commentary in which you describe, analyze and reflect on your teaching and interactions with students. Both the video and the written commentary should demonstrate how you engage students and impact their learning.
- Focus is on a school need or agreed-upon School Improvement Goal.
- Only educators from the National Board Professional Development District/School are allowed in the cohort that meets at your school or district.
- Twelve, two hour professional development cohort sessions held over nine months that are organized and facilitated by a National Board Certified facilitator (NB facilitator trained, contracted, and paid by the National Board Resource Center).
- Ongoing support to cohort facilitator and professional development school from the National Board Resource Center (NBRC) at Illinois State University.
- Goal setting and End-of-Year review meeting with the Triad of the cohort (administrator, NB facilitator, and teacher or counselor candidate).
- \$1,900 candidate fee subsidy for National Board Certification process paid directly by ISBE to the National Board for each qualified teacher participant.
- Professional Development hours provided for twelve, two hour sessions.
- Opportunities to articulate teaching practices aligned with the Danielson Framework for Teaching.

### HOW DOES A SCHOOL QUALIFY FOR THIS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY?

Schools qualify for this professional development by:

- Arranging for an administrator to oversee program success.
- Creating a cohort of up to 15 qualified teachers and counselors.
- Designating a teacher, with leadership capabilities, in the cohort to act as liaison between the administrator, cohort members, and the National Board facilitator.
- Registering to the National Board Resource Center **no later than** midnight on April 14, 2023.



## HOW DOES A SCHOOL COMMIT TO THIS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY?

- Complete the NBPD School Registration Form.
- Administrator registers with the NBRC of the school/district no later than April 14, 2023, by either mailing the registration form to: National Board Resource Center –Illinois State University, c/o Jennifer Smith, Campus Box 5390, Normal, IL 61790 or scanning and sending the registration form to jsmit31@ilstu.edu.
- Teachers and counselors taking part in the cohort each read and sign the Teacher Agreement and submit the form to the National Board Resource Center.
- Teachers and/or counselors apply to the NBRC for the ISBE \$1,900 NB candidate fee subsidy before the spring deadline. The Illinois NB Spring Candidate Fee Subsidy application for the \$1,900 opens on March 1, 2023. The teachers must be a qualified teacher as determined by ISBE to be eligible for the Illinois NB \$1,900 candidate fee subsidy.
- All teachers and/or counselors will register with NBPTS [www.nbpts.org](http://www.nbpts.org) and pay the yearly, non-refundable \$75 registration fee. The NBPTS registration due date is to be determined.
- The National Board Resource Center will invoice your district \$6,765 per cohort. \$3,300 is due by June 30, 2023. The remaining balance of \$3,465 is due by August 31, 2023.
- All cohort members are expected to complete the program and submit National Board components 1 and 3 by May 2024 for scoring (the score is the property of the teacher).

## WHAT DOES THE NATIONAL BOARD RESOURCE CENTER PROVIDE FOR YOUR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COHORT?

- Twelve, two hour sessions provided at the school/district location.
- A trained National Board facilitator to support the members of the National Board PD School cohort.
- Ongoing 9-month support to the NB facilitator and school/district cohort.
- Online mentors for individual participants.
- Goal-setting meeting/training for the administrator, teacher liaison, and NB facilitator (held via Zoom or at school or district site).

### **\*NOTE:**

There are 25 cohort openings for the professional development program outlined above. Considerations for the 25 cohorts will be based on the completion of the outlined criteria and will be processed in the order that they are received by the National Board Resource Center at Illinois State University. Payments made by districts/schools will be refunded if they do not qualify for the program or the NBRC cannot fulfill its obligations. **Once a district/school has been notified of its acceptance as a National Board Professional Development Cohort, no refunds will be provided.**



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