

# NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

## WHAT IS NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS?

- A demonstration of teaching practice as measured against high and rigorous standards.
- A symbol of excellence in teaching.
- A means of professional growth and development which ultimately results in improved student learning.

## WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?

- Hold a bachelor's degree
- Have completed three full years of teaching/counseling experience
- Possess a valid state teaching/counseling license for that period of time, or, if teaching where a license is not required, have taught in schools recognized and approved to operate by the state

## WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO BECOME A BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHER?

- The process is an extensive series of performance-based assessments that includes teaching portfolios, student work samples, videotapes and thorough analyses of the candidates' classroom teaching and student learning.
- A teacher must complete a series of written exercises that probe the depth of their subject-matter knowledge, as well as their understanding of how to teach those subjects to students.

## WHAT ARE THE APPLICATION FEE PROCEDURES?

- A \$2,565.00 application fee is required. For each retake entry, there is a \$350.00 retake fee.
- A candidate must pay the non-refundable \$565.00 to obtain a candidate ID number. This is not reimbursed.
- Candidates may apply for some state subsidy grant funding for initial certification. Grants are disbursed through the state depending upon need and availability of state funds.
- Candidates may also apply for funding through Prince William County Public Schools. To receive \$1,000 for partial fee payment, a candidate must attend an overview session about National Board Certification through a School Division, state or national presentation. They also need to write a Letter of Intent and complete the PWCS Agreement Statement. The letter of intent and agreement statement must be submitted to Sedalia Ledbetter, Organizational Development.

## WHAT SUPPORT DO NATIONAL BOARD CANDIDATES RECEIVE FROM PWCS AND THE STATE OF VIRGINIA?

### Prince William County Public Schools

- There are 4 general one-hour overview sessions held throughout the School Division in the spring of each school year to provide specific information about National Board Certification and how to apply. Each teacher in attendance receives guidelines regarding the certification process.
- A NBCT cohort led by National Board Certified Teachers is provided. These classes allow teachers to experience parts of the process and offer support to candidates.
- Teachers receive 90 recertification points for pursuing board certification and 90 recertification points for achieving board certification.
- Payment of a portion of the candidate's application fee is awarded to those teachers who attend the National Board Certification overview session and all 10 of the Candidate cohort sessions, *Analyzing and Reflecting Upon Accomplished Teaching*.

### Virginia Department of Education

- Payment of a portion of the candidate's application fee is awarded to teachers who apply within a certain date if state funds are available.
- National Board Certified Teachers are eligible to receive a bonus of \$5,000 for the first year of the NBPTS certification and \$2,500 for the remaining nine years if funds are available.

**HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?** Click here <http://www.nbpts.org/> for the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards website. You may also contact the following offices:

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**PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
NATIONAL BOARD TEACHERS  
2008-2009**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Area of Certification</b>	<b>School</b>
<b>1999</b>		
*Cynthia Baird	AYA Math	Brentsville HS
*Karen Mirkovich	EC Generalist	Swans Creek ES
Blake Nicolai	EAYA English	Freedom HS
*Jennifer Rhawn	AYA Math	Brentsville HS
Lyndy VanHoutan	MC Generalist	Lake Ridge ES
<b>2001</b>		
Elizabeth Bumbrey	EA/ELA Early Adolescence/English/LA	Glenkirk ES
Jacqueline (Roxanne) Edwards	EC Generalist	Alvey ES
Lois Roy	AYA English	Stonewall Jackson HS
<b>2002</b>		
Hilary Alexander	EC Generalist	Saunders MS
Mark Groom	EC Generalist	Lake Ridge ES/ Coles ES
Ramona Hauptman	EC Generalist	Coles ES
Julia Hicks	AYA Math	Woodbridge HS
Rebecca Sanderson	EAYA English	Bull Run MS
<b>2003</b>		
Sally Atkins	EAYA English as a New Language	Battlefield HS
Heather Colwell	AYA English	Woodbridge HS
Melissa Edmonds	AYA Science	Ashland ES
Beverly Froehlich	EC Generalist	Fred Lynn MS
Rose Gallitz	AYA History/SS	Battlefield HS
Hoefler, Eric	ELA/AYA	
Nick Maneno	MC Generalist	Old Bridge ES
Dawn Moulen	Library/Media	Battlefield HS
Trish Purschwitz	MC Generalist	Sinclair ES
Jeanette Spann	EC Generalist	Minnieville ES
<b>2004</b>		
Eileen Atwood	MC Generalist	Westridge ES
Tina Grayson	AYA English	Osborn Park HS
Michael (Tim) Neall	MC Generalist	Westridge ES
Wendee Sukanovich	MC Generalist	Montclair Es
Christy Tayler	MC Generalist	Signal Hill ES
<b>2005</b>		
Donald Allen	AYA History/SS	Woodbridge HS
Connie Balkcom	EC Generalist	Mountain View ES
Shawn Baugh	EMC Literacy	Triangle ES
James Bish	AYA History/SS	Woodbridge HS
Mary Bowes	ECYA Exceptional Needs	SPED/Hearing Impaired
Jane Carr	EMC Literacy	Benton MS
Deborah Ellis	EC Generalist	Mary Williams ES
Marcia Hoenle	EMC Literacy	Reading Recovery Teacher
Megan Hostutler	AYA English	Hylton HS
Joseph Huddle	AYA Math	Battlefield HS
Kelly Johnson	Exceptional Needs	Cedar Point ES
Barbara Rohr	EMC Literacy	West Gate ES
Rebecca Utter	AYA Science	Battlefield HS
Tamara Zimmerman	EAYA Science	Woodbridge MS
<b>2006</b>		
Fran Baier	Exceptional Needs	Special Education Office
Brenda Barnes	EC Generalist	Mullen ES

<b>Name</b>	<b>Area of Certification</b>	<b>School</b>
<b><u>2006 Cont.</u></b>		
Cheryl Bennett	EC Generalist	Swans Creek ES
Cassandra Crawford	AYA English	Hylton HS
Judy Dietrich	EA Science	Marsteller MS
Rhonda Ellington	MC Generalist	Springwoods ES
Kristen Evans	Exceptional Needs	Swans Creek ES
Sharolette Hickles	MC Generalist	Vaughan ES
Sherry Hilberg	AYA Science	Pennington School
Martha Lipscomb	EC Generalist	Antietam ES
Delores Lucas	AYA English	Battlefield HS
Julie Matyas	EMC Literacy	Sinclair ES
Tanya Parrott	Library/Media	Yorkshire ES
Sheryl Quinlan	AYA Science	Marsteller MS
Jerry Vile	EAYA Social Studies	Marsteller MS
<b><u>2007</u></b>		
Alise Brooks	EC Generalist	Dale City ES
Marcia Brugger	EMC Literacy	Dumfries ES
Vicki Burns	EAYA Art	Battlefield HS
Jennifer Conner-Harris	AYA Language Arts	Lake Ridge MS
Melissa Dembele	EAYA English as a New Language	Potomac HS
Elise Dutton	Exceptional Needs	Benton MS
Izora Everson	AYA Social Studies/History	Potomac HS
James Hunniford	AYA Social Studies/History	Gar-Field HS
Kelly Innocenzi	EC Generalist	Gravely ES
Karisa Marcy	MC Generalist	Mountain View ES
Kristen Miscenk	EMC Physical Education	Porter Traditional School
Christine Petrus	EMC English as a New Language	Bristow Run ES
Jeff Reed	AYA Social Studies/History	Brentsville HS
Jennifer Roberts	Library/Media	Freedom HS
Teresa Savage	EC Generalist	Swans Creek ES
Carey Shenal	Exceptional Needs	Stonewall Jackson HS
Linda Steiner	EMC Literacy	Potomac MS
Michelle Trahan	ECYA Counseling	Gar-Field HS
<b><u>2008</u></b>		
Leslie Barbour	EAYA CTE	Gar-Field HS
Nancy Breckenridge	ECYA Exceptional Needs	PACE East
Donna Claussen	EC Generalist	Antietam ES
Sharron Clifford	EAYA Social Studies	Marsteller MS
Gina Cory	EMC Literacy	Henderson ES
Lorraine Costello	EAYA CTE	Woodbridge MS
Susan Creekmore	EMC Literacy	West Gate ES
Dina Dasilva	AYA Science	Stonewall Jackson HS
Christina Duerr	EC Generalist	Kerrydale ES
Diane Fernandez	EC Generalist	Glenkirk ES
Elizabeth Genova	EMC Literacy	Swans Creek ES
Kristin Hamilton	AYA Language Arts	Battlefield HS
Susan Handy	EMC Literacy	Porter Traditional School
Todd Hayes	EAYA Physical Education	Hylton HS
Tammy Hinkle	EMC Reading/Language Arts	Buckland Mills ES
Megan Howland	EMC Literacy	Buckland Mills ES
Kathleen Hugh	ECYA Exceptional Needs	Gar-Field HS
Elizabeth Irwin	EC Generalist	Gravely ES
Erin Lips	EAYA CTE	Stonewall Jackson HS
Penny Mangus	EMC Literacy	Henderson ES
Elizabeth McKinney	AYA Science	SL/PD IST

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Virginia Melicher	EMC Literacy	West Gate ES
Magee Kloepfer	AYA Social Studies/History	Battlefield HS
James Nolen	AYA Science	Gar-Field HS
Wendy Padgett	EMC Art	Porter Traditional School
Michelle Pohzehl	EC Generalist	Glenkirk ES
Carolyn Renk	EC Generalist	Kilby ES
Caryn Shaffer	MC Generalist	West Gate ES
Leanne Thomas	MC Generalist	Williams ES
Sharon Walters	EC Generalist	Dale City ES
Timothy Wilson	EMC Music	Williams ES
Amy Wise	EA/ELA English Language Arts	Rippon MS

\*2008 Renewals