



# NURTURING TEACHER LEADERSHIP

The National Board Certification Support Program  
for CPS teachers/counselors/librarians

Learn how you can earn an annual stipend

Accepting applications for 2019-21 school years

## ATTEND OUR INFORMATIONAL MEETING

**Monday, June 3rd, 2019**

**5:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Chicago Teachers Union Foundation

Quest Center

1901 W. Carroll Avenue

Chicago, IL 60612



Learn about pursuing National Board Certification, Illinois Master Teacher Certification, and the role of the Quest Center in supporting Chicago Public School teachers through the process.

### Requirements:

- 3 years teaching at current certificate level
- 3 year commitment to teaching in CPS
- Successful completion of professional profile

### Register Online:

at [www.ctuf.org/NTL](http://www.ctuf.org/NTL)

### Parking:

Free parking is located in the lots on the west and east sides of the Chicago Teachers Union Center building, or along the north side of the building at 1901 W. Carroll Avenue.

Enter the building from the west parking lot.



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For more information on *Nurturing Teacher Leadership*, or to register for the informational meeting, visit us online at <http://www.ctuf.org/NTL> or contact Lynn Cherkasky-Davis at (312) 329-6274 or [NationalBoard@ctuf.org](mailto:NationalBoard@ctuf.org).

## What is Nurturing Teacher Leadership?

**Nurturing Teacher Leadership** is a 2-year program of professional development and candidate support that prepares CPS teachers for National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) certification. It includes:

- ✓ Weekly professional development and small group facilitation
- ✓ Collaboration with a cohort of other CPS teachers going through the certification process – professional learning community
- ✓ Technical support
- ✓ Assessment Center preparation simulations
- ✓ Individual mentoring
- ✓ Professional lending library
- ✓ Computer lab access

## NTL: The sole support program for CPS teachers

The Chicago Teachers Union Quest Center's **Nurturing Teacher Leadership** (NTL) program offers a small supportive group setting in which National Board Certification (NBC) candidates work collaboratively and are mentored by National Board Certified Teachers. We read, study and discuss literature and research on current issues and concepts in education, applying our new or refined insights to our teaching practice. We provide multiple resources, support, and incentives. Our focus is on developing, improving, and validating teaching, thereby increasing student achievement.

During weekly meetings, successful teaching practices are recognized and shared. NTL facilitates all aspects of the intensive 2-year NBC process. We assist teachers with descriptive, analytical, interpretative, and reflective writing required for the National Board portfolio. We provide technical assistance for required documentation of your work, facilitation with analyzing student work, professional development on differentiation of instruction, individual coaching and mentoring, and preparation for the rigorous Content Knowledge Assessment exercises. NTL supports all CPS teachers throughout the entire certification process, providing technical, professional, intellectual and moral support. After achieving National Board Certification, opportunities are available for you to support others—at a professional wage. The CTU Quest Center is *teachers working for teachers* to improve the achievement of Chicago's children.

## What is National Board Certification?

**NBPTS Certification** offers teachers the opportunity for career advancement. It:

- ✓ provides an advanced credential consistent with what accomplished teachers should know and be able to do,
- ✓ certifies that you have the status of one who has met professional teaching standards,
- ✓ certifies that you have prepared a professional portfolio demonstrating your teaching abilities,
- ✓ certifies that you have fulfilled the rigorous Assessment Content Area Exercises, and
- ✓ entitles you to receive the Master Certificate endorsement on your ISBE Professional Educator License

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## What are the Benefits of NTL?

- ✓ 94% success rate
- ✓ \$1960+ annual pensionable cash award
- ✓ National Board Certified Teacher mentors
- ✓ Illinois NBPTS Master Certification Endorsement
- ✓ 36 graduate credits offered
- ✓ opportunity for a Master's Degree
- ✓ 15 CPS Lane Placement credits awarded
- ✓ professional learning community
- ✓ 7 Day Summer Institute (August 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14)
- ✓ public recognition
- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> consideration for Consulting Teacher and Framework Specialist roles
- ✓ coaching incentives
- ✓ teacher leadership roles
- ✓ becoming a better teacher!

