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

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For more information on Nurturing Teacher Leadership, to register for the informational meeting, visit us online at www.ctuf.org/NTL or contact Lynn Cherkasko Davis at (312) 328-274 or LynnCherkaskoDavis@ctuf.org.

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- ✓ 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
- ✓ CPS National Board Certified Teacher mentors
- ✓ Credits to move to Lane 5 on CPS salary scale

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

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EWdS offers teachers the opportunity for career advancement. It:

- ✓ provides an advanced credential consistent with what accomplished teachers/counselors should know and be able to do,
- ✓ certifies that you have the status of one who has met professional teaching/counseling standards,
- ✓ certifies that you have prepared a professional portfolio demonstrating your teaching abilities,
- ✓ certifies that you have fulfilled the rigorous Assessment Content Area Exams,
- ✓ entitles you to receive the NBPTS endorsement on your ISBE Professional Educator License, and
- ✓ current Illinois NBCTs who teach in 'hard to staff' schools for at least two years are eligible to receive a retention award from ISBE of \$8000!

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NATIONAL BOARD
for Professional Teaching Standards

- ✓ **Annual contractual, pensionable stipend**
- ✓ Illinois NBPTS Master Certification
- ✓ 18 graduate credits offered
- ✓ Opportunity for a Masters Degree
- ✓ Up to 30 CPS Lane Placement credits awarded
- ✓ Professional learning community
- ✓ 2 Summer Institutes (early August dates TBD)
- ✓ Public recognition
- ✓ 1st consideration for Teacher Leadership roles
- ✓ Coaching and mentoring incentives
- ✓ Full scholarship
- ✓ Current NBCTs teaching in 'hard to staff' schools for 2 years are eligible to receive a Retention Incentive of \$8000 from the state of Illinois
- ✓ Join the ranks of more than 2460 CPS National Board Certified Teachers
- ✓ **Becoming a better teacher!**

