



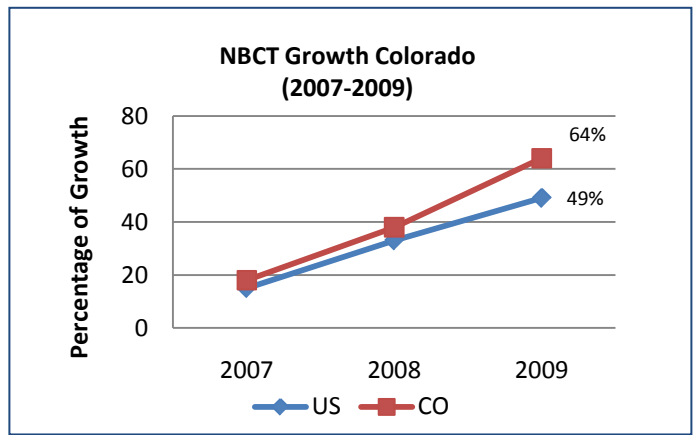
NBPTS® Colorado

National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) by the numbers 2009*	
Number of NBCTs	478
Number of new NBCTs	75
Percentage increase in number of NBCTs	19%

Dwight Jones

Colorado Commissioner of Education

“National Board Certified Teachers are proven leaders and are making a positive impact in our schools. As we continue to grow the number of these outstanding educators throughout our state, especially in schools where they are needed the most, we will positively change the culture of learning in classrooms, schools and school districts.”



NBCTs comprise approximately 3 percent of the national teaching force and have won over a third of the 2010 State Teacher of the Year Awards and 2009 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. Four of the five honorees of the National Teacher Hall of Fame and the 2010 National Teacher of the Year, Sarah Brown Wessling of Iowa, are NBCTs.

Colorado National Board Certified Teacher Highlights:

Susan Elliott of Highlands Ranch, 2009 Colorado Teacher of the Year

Lana Hansen of Centennial, 2008 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Toni Thiesen of Loveland, 2009 National Language Teacher of the Year

Anna Marie Holm of Denver, 2007 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching

Jennifer Wilson of Denver, 2006 Disney Teacher Award Honoree in Primary Education

Mary A. Buss of Grand Junction, 2001 Milken Educator Award

Dr. Katherine Granas of Highlands Ranch, 1999 Milken Educator Award



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- There are nearly 8,900 new National Board Certified Teachers nationwide—more than 82,000 teachers have been certified since the program’s inception.
- More than half of NBCTs are in Title I eligible schools as reported by the National Center for Education Statistics.
- States with the highest number of teachers achieving National Board Certification in 2009 were: North Carolina, Washington, South Carolina, Illinois and Florida. Fifteen states had at least a 20 percent increase in the number of 2009 NBCTs over the number of teachers who achieved certification in 2008.
- In a congressionally mandated report, the National Research Council (NRC) confirmed that National Board Certified Teachers advance student achievement and learning, stay in the classroom longer, support new and struggling teachers and assume other school leadership roles. The NRC acknowledged that students taught by National Board Certified Teachers make higher gains on achievement tests than students taught by non-board-certified teachers.

Top Five School Districts Statewide (by total number of NBCTs)

School District	Number of New NBCTs	Total Number of NBCTs
DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS	8	67
CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5	22	70
BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. RE2	17	58
DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. RE 1	0	45
MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51	1	37

2009 State Incentives for NBCTs**

Fee Support	\$1,000 as funds are available
Salary Increase	\$1,600 for 2009 - 2010
Other Incentive	Additional \$3,200 for NBCTs for 2009-2010 in low-performing schools

*These data reflect the number of NBCTs ever certified in the state as self-reported by the NBCTs

**Financial incentives may be subject to state imposed eligibility requirements, caps, or other restrictions. Additional incentives may also be offered by local districts on a case by case basis. The information above reflects the data available to the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards as of July 13, 2010. NBPTS is not responsible for the accuracy of the incentive and support information found herein. Please contact the appropriate state agency directly to ensure that the information listed is current and report any updates to outreach@nbpts.org.

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