

Montana

National Board Certification Funding

MEA-MFT and the Montana Professional Teaching Foundation (MPTF) have been proud to support National Board Certification in Montana since 1997. At that time, MEA-MFT in partnership with MPTF, Office of Public Instruction, and the Governor's Office, provided subsidy scholarships to nine Montana teachers along with a series of workshops designed to assist their candidacies.

MPTF has assumed these responsibilities ever since, with the foundation establishing National Board Certification support as one of its core missions.

Montana's 70% candidate success rate is among the best in the nation. MEA-MFT and MPTF are very pleased to have played a role in this level of success.

Funding Available:

First Time Candidates: up to \$1250

Retakers: \$350

Application Deadline:

First Time Candidates: January 1—December 1

Retakers: January 31



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Application Process and Pre-requisites:

MPTF scholarship: The Montana Professional Teaching Foundation provides between 10-20 scholarships per year for Montana teachers interested in pursuing National Board Certification. The scholarships pay up to \$1,250 per candidate. The full fee for National Board Certification candidacy is \$2,500.

Scholarships are now available for the 2010-11 school year.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a teacher must have taught a minimum of five years in an accredited Montana school and be currently employed as a Montana classroom teacher.

If you are interested in receiving an application packet for this scholarship, please contact Marco Ferro at mferro@mea-mft.org or at 1-800-398-0826 and simply request that you be added to the National Board Certification Scholarship mailing list. An application packet will be sent to you immediately.

All candidates must complete a National Board Certification application on-line at www.nbpts.org, prior to becoming eligible for the MPTF subsidy scholarship. MPTF must receive a printed copy of your on-line application, submitted with your completed scholarship application.