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National Board Certified Educator is National Teacher of the Year!

The [Council of Chief State School Officers](#) recently named National Board Certified Teacher Mandy Manning the 2018 National Teacher of the Year. The announcement aired on [CBS Good Morning](#) and featured testimonials from students. Manning, who teaches refugee children and supports National Board candidates as a Jump Start Instructor, was also the Washington State Teacher of the Year. The National Board staff could not be more thrilled for her and the opportunities ahead! Read about her classroom and NBCT experiences [on our blog](#).

"It wasn't until embarking on National Board Certification that 'teacher' became part of who I am as a person, and not simply what I do every day for my job."



What's Happening

The American Education Research Association's annual conference took place earlier this month. The National Board's Vice President for Policy and Research, Ellen Sherratt, joined colleagues from American Institutes for Research, New York City Department of Education, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in a panel presentation on teacher leadership and supporting teachers' professional growth across the career continuum. Findings from the [From Good to Great survey](#) of over 5,000 NBCTs showed that, among other things, the Board-certification process was one of the single most important ways teachers advanced "from good to great."

Also presenting at the conference was Professor Wilbur Parker of Bowie State University. His research provided insight into how black male university faculty members exposed pre-service black male teachers to the Five Core Propositions and National Board certification process during an undergraduate research experience as a way to circumvent issues impacting their retention in the teaching profession.



Opportunities

- We are excited to present the National Board [Fellowship](#)! Fellows will help NBPTS work toward the goal of growing accomplished teaching around the country. For details, please [visit our website](#). Applications are due by May 10!
- The Thurgood Marshall College Fund's Teacher Quality & Retention Program Summer Institute seeks faculty members. Information on applying can be found [online](#).
- MetaMetrics, the creators of the Lexile Framework for Reading and Quantile Framework for Mathematics, is seeking teachers for one hour interviews to gather information on how educators use their tools. Participants will receive a \$50 gift card to Amazon. Contact Joe Sipper at jsipper@lexile.com to learn more.

Stay in the Know



- May 7-11 marks Teacher Appreciation Week so get ready! Use #ThankATeacher on social media and be sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) for some special surprises.
- The National Board needs you! When you see a great teacher, let them know why they should consider becoming Board certified. To help you engage and encourage these educators, we have developed [resources for your use](#). Download them, print them, share them. If you have questions, [email us](#).

What We're Reading

Recent teacher walkouts have been front page news, putting a [spotlight on conditions](#) teachers and students face at school. Arizona has gone [#RedForEd](#) to improve

schools and students' experiences, with [strikes](#) occurring as well. The issue has been prominent in West Virginia, Oklahoma and beyond. National Board President & CEO Peggy Brookins, NBCT, explains, "(It's) not just about pay, it's about conditions, it's about support. It's about not having a voice, not being at the table."

On Our Blog, The Standard

- [Five Core Propositions Applied](#) by Amanda Klare, NBCT
- [A Timeless Flight](#) by Kara Ball, NBCT
- [Embassy Sweets](#) by Lucy Solano, NBCT
- [Anyone Can Teach](#) by Java Robinson, NBCT



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