



THE BOARDROOM

WHAT'S HAPPENING



[Kentucky celebrated](#) its newest class of 316 NBCTs on February 20 with a day of recognition events presented in partnership between the Education Professional Standards Board, Kentucky Department of Education and KY NBCT Network. A gubernatorial proclamation named the day, "KY NBCT Day." The teachers were honored with legislative citations in the House and Senate chambers. Each teacher was presented with an NBCT pin by Commissioner of Education Dr. Stephen Pruitt at Kentucky State University.

OPPORTUNITIES

- Craft a proposal for the 2018 #teacherpowered national conference! You can submit your breakout session ideas [online](#) and learn more about the [Teacher-Powered Conference](#).
- The Library of Congress is hosting two free one-day workshops for educators interested in incorporating WWI-related primary sources into their instruction. [Register here](#).
- Applications for the 2018 [Elizabeth Rohatyn Prize](#) for Schools Where Teaching Matters open March 5. Worth \$25,000, the prize is open to publically funded schools within 100 miles of New York City.
- The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation's 2018 Call for Service is taking [applications](#) until March 20, 2018.
- [New Profit](#) has put out a call for grant proposals under their Reimagine Learning Fund. The fund will go to innovative organizations "who are helping to advance the learning revolution for underserved students." [Submit a letter of inquiry](#) by March 5, 2018 to be considered.

National Board Added to What Works Clearinghouse

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards has been added to the U.S. Department of Education's What Works Clearinghouse list of programs that meet their rigorous threshold for research evidence demonstrating effectiveness. Only two other programs meet this threshold. Learn more about this amazing recognition on the Institute for Education Sciences' [website](#). You can also view National Board's [Impact Brief](#).

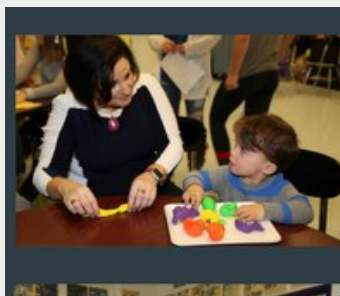


Courageous Conversations about Race in Schools

The [National Network of State Teachers of the Year](#) has released a series of [six short videos](#) to promote deeper reflection about racial equity in education. The videos feature outstanding educators discussing race in the classroom and help to begin authentic conversations with teams of educators. Download a [free discussion guide](#).

WHAT WE'RE READING

- The Center for American Progress recently released an [issue brief](#) on how states plan to leverage Title II, Part A of ESSA to strengthen the teaching continuum. The brief, along with an [interactive map](#), highlights 15 states using ESSA funds to elevate the teaching profession, which will be key to ensuring all students are taught by high-quality, prepared, meaningfully supported teachers.
- [Latino Male Teachers: Building the Pipeline](#) by Madeline Will in Education Week
- [National Board Certification: In Pursuit of Excellence](#) by Dina



ON NATIONAL BOARD'S BLOG, THE STANDARD

- [The Power of Writing Begins with a Single Sentence](#) by **Bryan Christopher, NBCT**: Christopher writes how a chance encounter with a former student at a bar was a catalyst for examining his reading and writing instruction.
- [Through the Years at the National Board Resource Center](#) by **David B. Cohen, NBCT**: The Center for Education Research at Stanford holds a special place in Cohen's heart.
- [Common Denominator](#) by **Mandy Manning, NBCT**: Manning explains what she believes accomplished educators have in common.
- [Our Difference is Our Strength](#) by **Amy Andersen, NBCT**: Andersen hopes to spread the universal message that diversity is enriching to life.



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