



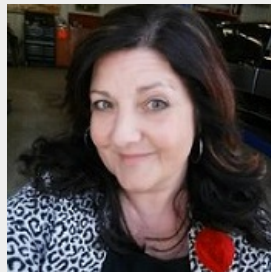
We're Thankful for NBCTs

As we celebrate this year's score release on December 1 and then #TeamNBCT week starting December 10, it is the perfect time to pause and express our gratitude. All National Board Certified Teachers and those who support students deserve to be recognized for all you do. Our communities and schools are stronger thanks to you and our students are the true beneficiaries. Thank you!



NBCT Spotlight

What do you do when you want to inspire young readers? Invest in the school library! Assistant Principal of Mary Miller Junior High, Dr. Catherine Eads, NBCT, recently collaborated on and [was awarded an Excellence in Education Grant](#) for her school's library.



Says Dr. Eads of the experience, "As an NBCT in Reading and Literacy, when I became a junior high administrator in Georgetown, Illinois, I knew what one of my first projects was going to be. A depressing, worn out storage room that was labeled as our "library" was not sending the message to students that reading was important. After much effort, elbow grease, and hours, I led our staff to completely update our library. Now students are proud of the room, love to share the new titles they are reading with me, and data shows their reading has improved!"

Opportunities

- National Board worked with PBS Teacher's TeacherLine to create an online PD course to improve your science teaching practice. The next course starts December 5, so [register now!](#)
- [Applications are open](#) for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science. This year, STEM teachers of grades 7-12 are welcome to [apply by May 1, 2019!](#)
- The National Network of State Teachers of the Year ([NNSTOY](#)) will host the 2019 National Teacher Leadership

Conference in Orlando, FL from July 9-12. You can [submit a breakout session proposal here!](#)

- [Spread your #TeamNBCT spirit](#) near and far! Decorate your door, bulletin board, or other space and show your school and Twitter why you are #TeamNBCT for our contest.

#TeamNBCT Week Door Decorating Contest
Get creative and show us why you are Team NBCT on your classroom/office door, bulletin board, or public space in your school.

Contest Details:

- Open to candidates and NBCTs
- Tweet a photo of your decorated space with [#TeamNBCT](#) and [#NBDoorDecor](#)
- Increase your visibility: tag your school, district, colleagues, NBCT Network

Tweet with the most likes by 9am December 14 will win a National Board swag pack and will have post shared by National Board

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What's Happening

- Construction management educator [Robert P. Leiby, NBCT](#) was recently recognized as a Second Place Awardee for the [Harbor Freight 2018 Prize for Teaching Excellence](#). This is an outstanding accomplishment that highlights the importance of CTE in schools!
- Dozens of teachers were elected to public office as a result of the recent midterm elections. Find out more [using EdWeek's searchable database](#).
- [#TeamNBCT Week](#) will be held December 10-14 and we can't wait to celebrate and honor all National Board Certified Teachers! Be sure to tune in on social media and tell us why you're proud to be #TeamNBCT.

What We're Reading

[National Board asked and you answered!](#) We posed the question: What new book are you reading with your students this year? Answers included [Refugee](#) by Alan Gratz, [Wolf Hollow](#) by Lauren Wolk, [Stamped from the Beginning](#) by Ibram Kendi, and [Out of My Mind](#) by Sharon Draper.

From Our Blog, The Standard

- [Principal \(Teacher?\): "Everyone a leader, everyone a learner."](#) by Jonathon Medeiros, NBCT
- [Why a Great Teacher is Not Enough](#) by Joshua Ray, NBCT
- [7 Experiences New Teachers Should Seek Out for a More Satisfying Career](#) by David B. Cohen, NBCT
- [Bald Caps and Basquiat: How the Arts Transform Learning](#) by Jeff Fessler, NBCT
- [From NBCT to Time Magazine](#) by NaShonda Cooke, NBCT

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