Advancing Accomplished Teaching

The research is clear: Teaching is the most important school-related factor that determines student success. More than a decade of research confirms that National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) positively impact student learning. That’s why we’ve developed a wide range of advocacy resources to help bring accomplished teaching – and by extension, improved student learning – to scale using National Board Certification as a foundation for job-embedded, relevant and engaging professional learning.

With collaboration and commitment from school districts, states, unions and higher education institutions, a growing numbers of teachers, many of whom are organized in collaborative cohorts, are using the National Board certification process to examine and strengthen their teaching practice. This work is critical to the long-term success of our schools and to elevating the teaching profession.

“Our work at the National Board is based on the belief that every child across the country deserves to be taught by an accomplished teacher. When accomplished practice becomes the norm, the advantage will be significant, spreading beyond students and teachers to be felt by their communities, employers and society at-large.”

Peggy Brookins, NBCT, National Board President and CEO

2019 Statistics for Arkansas

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Top Five School Districts

By total number certified:  
- Little Rock (275)  
- Springdale #50 (219)  
- Ft. Smith (148)  
- Rogers #30 (142)  
- Bentonville Public Schools #6 (123)

By current candidates**:  
- Springdale #50 (95)  
- Little Rock (58)  
- Bentonville Public Schools #6 (35)  
- Ft. Smith (34)  
- North Little Rock (27)  
- Rogers #30 (27)

*Source: Data reflects teachers’ place of employment as self-reported in the National Board database as of December 7, 2019.

**Candidate total reflects all National Board candidates in progress and all first-time applicants who have paid the registration fee in the current assessment cycle as of December 7, 2019.