

Introduction Podcast for NBCT Reader Coaches

Welcome to the NBRC series of podcasts for supporting NBCTs to continue to learn about responding to candidates' written commentaries.

The podcasts were designed to support NBCTs to coach candidates by reading and giving meaningful, ethical feedback to candidate prepared drafts of NBPTS portfolio entries. All NBCT reading coaches should establish these two overall goals for their candidates.

1. A candidate will be able to independently develop and own the portfolio entry.
2. A candidate will know how to use the NBPTS documents to make decisions as they plan, gather, and draft their portfolio entries.

The podcasts help NBCTs to focus on the basis of the National Board process and the NBPTS ethics policy to learn how to gain knowledge about their candidates' understanding of the National Board process and develop strategies to connect coaching to what they know about their candidates. In other words, these podcasts help the NBCT reader coach to think through the Architecture of Accomplished Teaching as they respond to their candidates' written commentaries.

The series of podcasts are sequenced with references to previous podcasts throughout. To use these podcasts, open or print the handouts for each one as a reference to understand more deeply the concepts presented in the podcast. Download and listen to the podcasts on your computer, phone, MP3 player or IPAD- like device. You may also view or print the script to read. You can now begin to learn more about reading and responding to candidates' written entries.