7,096 NBCTs in Illinois
Illinois is ranked
7th for new NBCTs
6th for renewed NBCTs
6th for total NBCTs
out of all 50 states

99 NBCTs

NBCTs in rural & remote areas have been awarded a one-time $3,000 teaching incentive
Since enabling Public Act 101-0654

About the NBRC
The National Board Resource Center (NBRC) is a nonprofit organization charged with overseeing the Illinois State Board of Education program which enables teachers and counselors to become National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs.) The NBRC organizes payment of fees for qualifying candidates and coordinates professional development for candidates pursuing National Board Certification.

About the NBPTS
The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS), was founded as a non-profit dedicated to improving teaching and student learning. There are 25 certifications available across various disciplines and development levels to accommodate all students.

Commitment to Diversity

- White: 81%
- Hispanic or Latino: 8.0%
- Black or African-American: 6.0%
- Asian: 1.8%
- Two or More Races: 0.8%
- Native American: 0.2%
- Pacific Islander: 0.1%
- Chose Not To Answer: 0.0%

IL Teachers Reported by Ethnicity
NBRC Annual Report

NBRC Teachers of Color Affinity Group Cohort

The NBRC celebrates its second year of promoting its Teacher of Color Affinity Group Cohort. In its first year of 2022, 7 candidates elected the cohort. As of August 2023, the cohort included 11 candidates and continues to grow in numbers and support. The NBRC supports and affirms the diversity of teachers pursuing the National Board Certification.

NBRC Recruitment Efforts

Recruitment efforts by the National Board Resource Center can be seen in the diversity of the eligible candidates from the Illinois First Time Candidates of 2022-2023. The NBRC is committed to recruiting teachers from diverse backgrounds to pursue National Board Certification.

Equity, Ethics, & Fairness

IL NBCTs Reported by Ethnicity

- White: 69%
- Hispanic or Latino: 8.2%
- Black or African-American: 13%
- Asian: 4.0%
- Two or More Races: 2.4%
- Native American: 0.0%
- Pacific Islander: 0.0%
- Chose Not To Answer: 3.0%

2023 Awards

- 1 Illinois Teacher of the Year
- 1 Regional Teacher of the Year
- 6 Golden Apple Finalists

NBCTs or NBCT Candidates

In December, the NBRC was recognized by NBPTS for the excellence modeled by its staff in supporting Illinois teachers working to achieve their certification in 2021. The NBRC was one of only eight networking programs across the country honored in the category of “Candidate Support – Initial and MOC.”
NBRC MISSION:

The National Board Resource Center supports teachers seeking National Board Certification, builds the capacity of National Board Certified Teachers to improve teaching and student learning through mentoring and facilitating professional development, and partners with educational stakeholders to elevate the teaching profession.

NBRC EQUITY STATEMENT:

The National Board Resource Center (NBRC) accepts the responsibility to achieve educational equity by providing an inclusive opportunity and environment for teachers to pursue National Board Certification. The NBRC ensures that all policies, programs, and practices affirm the strengths of teachers’ diverse backgrounds and life experiences in order to deliver the comprehensive supports and professional development for teachers to become National Board Certified.

NBRC VISION:

The National Board Resource Center is working to ensure:

• Every teacher in Illinois is on a path to accomplished teaching by becoming National Board Certified. Becoming a National Board Certified Teacher is a career continuum for teachers. It starts in pre-service teacher preparation, leading aspiring teachers to pursue and achieve National Board Certification. The continuum culminates in meaningful teacher leadership roles for those who wish to seek them.

• Every educational stakeholder in Illinois understands the value of the reflective professional development process that the journey to National Board Certification provides teachers. All schools recognize teacher improvement is critically important for schools trying to improve their performance.

2023 ILLINOIS STATISTICS

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