Certification Renewal Available

2010-2011 Renewal Candidates: Your renewal decisions are available via My Profile. You will need to access your My Profile account using your existing user name and password to view your Renewal decision.

2011 NBCTs TO BE ANNOUNCED SOON

This year the release of candidate scores will occur before December 3, 2011. Prior to notification, NBPTS will post the date when candidates may view their scores. In previous years, notifications were made the week before Thanksgiving and the first week of December, so candidates-in-waiting should continue to check the NBPTS website throughout the months of November and/or December for the announcement date of when scores will be available for viewing on the NBPTS website. About a week after candidates are allowed to view their results, the public may view the names of newly-named NBCTs on the NBPTS website in the NBCT directory.

Regional Coordinators for 2011-2012

The seven Regional Coordinators (RCs) for 2011-2012 regularly meet and confer to better provide support for NBPTS candidates in Illinois. The RCs manage the Candidate Cohort Facilitators (CCFs) as they provide direct support to candidates through the Illinois Candidate Cohort Sessions which are strategically located outside of Chicago. RCs prepare regional schedules, network candidates with NBCT mentors, and deliver retake sessions. To locate your region, view the NBRC Regional Map.

NBCT, Robin English, Exceptional Needs Specialist—works in a variety of capacities that allow her to share her understanding of the NBPTS Five Core Propositions. She serves as a new teacher mentor within her school and as a candidate cohort facilitator for many local teachers in and around her community. English comments, “The greatest impact of my National Board certification can be seen through my current work as the Freshman Academy Coordinator at Joliet Central High School.” She was involved in the development and implementation of a small learning community at Joliet Central High in response to the needs of students and the high school community. In the fall of 2005, Robin took the lead as the Freshman Academy Coordinator and welcomed 700 freshman students into “The Year of the Freshman!” As the FA coordinator, Robin mentors the teachers on her staff, conducts professional development evaluations, develops and implements staff in-services, maintains communication with the school, district and community, and handles parent/student/teacher issues. With Robin’s leadership, the FA shows a rise in daily attendance from 89% to 93%, a decrease in behavior concerns with a 20% decline in freshman suspension rates, and an overall rise in report card averages since the implementation of the Freshman Academy 7 years ago. English states, “I attribute the success of the FA to the foundation of solid learning principles that I became familiar with through my NBPTS experiences. In addition to my NBPTS experiences the most important contribution to the success of the academy is working with a highly innovative, quality, and caring Freshman Academy team of teachers.”

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