

## TAKE NOTE!

- **To Stay Informed**—keep your personal information current. [Update Illinois NBCT's Information.](#)
- **Join Us on Facebook**—We are excited to hear from NBCTs, candidates, and NBPTS supporters through conversations about successes and issues that impact teaching and learning. Please engage in these meaningful discussions and invite others to join in.
- **Graduate Credit for Take One!** Learn more about how to receive [graduate credit](#) for completing the *Take One!* entry.
- **Thank You to All the NBCTs Who Helped Put a Face to NBPTS**—A few of the postcards can be viewed on our [NEW](#) website. Send us an e-picture or mail us a picture postcard of a teachable moment.
- **Pay It Forward**—Many NBCTs have benefited from mentoring services that have been offered through the Illinois Comprehensive Support System. Now is the time to pay it forward. Add your name to the list of [NBCT Volunteer Mentors](#). Names of mentors will NOT be posted on the website. Volunteer Mentors will be monitored through the NBRC office.

## CHICAGO SUPPORT PROVIDERS

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## Share Stories About NBCTs!

Know an NBCT that's making a difference? Email us at [nbrc@illinoisstate.edu](mailto:nbrc@illinoisstate.edu) and your story may be included in a future newsletter. Be sure to include your contact information along with your submission.

## FY 2011 Annual Stipend

The following information is from the ISBE website and is updated regularly. National Board Teachers and School Counselors ISBE voucher payments were made 07/01/2011. Check FRIS inquiry to see when your payment was processed. If it's gone through, the "Processed by Comptroller" field will be completed. Once funds were released, they were sent electronically (EFT) to your district. Please bookmark the ISBE [Educator Certification/NBPTS](#) page for all questions regarding NBPTS stipends. **The NBRC at ISU does not handle NBCT stipends.**

## NBCT Certification RENEWAL

If you're in your 8th or 9th year as a National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT) and were certified in 2002 or 2003, it's time to begin the certification renewal process (2011-2012). Renewing your certification demonstrates that your professional practice remains consistent to the high and rigorous standards of your subject area. For an overview of the National Board Renewal Process, read [Certification Renewal](#) and [Renewal at a Glance](#), and be sure to look over the [Certification Renewal Calendar](#) to find dates that apply to your renewal.

While the National Board Resource Center at ISU will **NOT** be providing Renewal sessions this year, it does provide [Jumpstart into Renewal Activities](#) on the [NBRC at ISU website](#). Renewal Jumpstart includes PDF handouts, links to NBPTS materials, and podcasts which provide resources and activities to support you as you explore the materials and plan the development of your Profile of Professional Growth (PPG). A NBPTS webinar is also available, offering information about logistics and requirements.

## National Board Resource Center at ISU

will focus on supporting 1,000 first-time candidates and 300 retake candidates through the Illinois Comprehensive Support System. The seven Regional Coordinators and fifty-three Candidate Cohort Facilitators will support candidates outside of Chicago

### [Access the FRIS Inquiry](#)

- Enter your RCDT code
- Click on Display Projects
- Click on the red underlined "3651"
- Scroll down to the Disbursements section and click for details. Be sure to select FY 2011

### **Informational Links:**

[FY 2011 NB Stipend Recipients](#)  
[Letter sent to District Payroll Administrators regarding the NB Stipend.](#)

through two types of cohorts. First-time candidates have the opportunity to attend local and regional [face-to-face cohort sessions](#) or participate in virtual cohort communities supported through an online learning system. Chicago Public School candidates have three options: CPS: [nbcinfo@cps.k12.il.us](mailto:nbcinfo@cps.k12.il.us), Chicago Teachers' Union: [LynnCherkasky-Davis@actulocal1.com](mailto:LynnCherkasky-Davis@actulocal1.com) or National Louis University: [Suzanne.martinez@nl.edu](mailto:Suzanne.martinez@nl.edu). The NBRC provides [support](#) for all NBCTs who continue to volunteer as mentors and support candidates. The NBRC offers podcasts, working agendas, handouts and links to help you plan your coaching and facilitation activities.

## FREE Professional Development Opportunity

The Keystone Center, a non-advocacy organization, invites you to attend a teacher professional development entitled CSI: Climate Status Investigations. Developed in partnership with the Department of Energy, the curriculum is interdisciplinary, hands-on and inquiry-based. Adhering to national education standards and emphasizing critical thinking skills and sustainability, the Keystone Center reports the program to have been externally evaluated and given high marks. A FREE two-day training is scheduled on September 29-30, at Richland Community College in Decatur, IL. Teachers who complete the 2-day course will earn 13.5 CPDUs through the University of Illinois. For information contact Wendi at [wiles@keystone.org](mailto:wiles@keystone.org) or call 970.513.5807.