



## GUIDE TO NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION 2014

**The certification process is designed to collect standards-based evidence of accomplished teaching across four components:**

- Content Knowledge
- Differentiation in Instruction
- Teaching Practice and Classroom Environment
- Effective and Reflective Practitioner

### **Highlights**

- The “new” system will apply to initial candidates for the 2014-2015 cycle. The application for this cycle will open in spring 2014.
- The “new” system will consist of four modules rather than 10 entries. This is simply a repackaging and does not indicate that the NB process will be any less rigorous.
- The four modules will include a revised assessment center module (likely 4 assessment center exercises), a revised student work portfolio, a revised video portfolio, and an impact and accomplishments portfolio.
- NBPTS will only release two modules in 2014-2015. An additional module will be released in 2015-2016, and the final module in 2016-2017. This means that it will take teachers a minimum of three years to certify during the roll-out of the “new” system.
- Beginning in 2016-2017, NBPTS will have all four modules available and teachers could certify in one year.

The cost for the “new” system will be reduced to around \$2000. Each module will cost no more than \$500. Candidates will be able to pay for individual modules.

### **NBPTS will continue to emphasize:**

- National Board Standards
- Five Core Propositions
- Architecture of Accomplished Teaching
- A performance-based, peer-review model
- Content knowledge and commitment to student learning