

Pre-Candidacy Classes for National Board Certification

Career Ladder and the Arizona K-12 Center are proud to cosponsor a pre-candidacy class for educators interested in participating in the certification process. There is a set of eight sessions scheduled (listed below) for the pre-candidacy class in which prospective National Board candidates can learn about the components of the application process, including analysis, reflection, documentation, and even possible sources of financial support.

Date	Time	Location
October 19	Tuesdays 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Saguaro Room, 2nd Floor, #206 Student Services Center 1025 North Country Club Mesa, Arizona
October 26		
November 2		
November 9		
November 16		
November 23		
November 30		
December 7		

As you are aware, National Board Certification is the highest credential in the teaching profession. It is a voluntary and rigorous process that measures what a teacher knows and is able to do. It is also an incredible professional development experience, and it makes a difference in the classroom.

MPS will reimburse \$500 of the National Board Certification application fee, and applicants may request up to five days of professional leave to complete required activities. The district will now pay a one-time \$4000 stipend to certificated employees who are NBCTs as well as an annual stipend of \$800 for each of the ten years' duration of the National Board certificate. There is additional support from Career Ladder for candidates and NBCTs who are currently placed on Career Ladder.

You may register for this class through Professional Development. The course number is SRN10101901. If you have questions about the class, contact Barbara Stout at 472.0384.