

National Board Certification is an opportunity for teachers to hone their practice through demonstrating dedication to students and their learning.

The 18 teachers in the Geneseo School District that have earned this distinction embody the following: “Every student deserves to be taught by an accomplished teacher. National Board Certification was designed to develop, retain and recognize accomplished teachers and to generate ongoing improvement in schools nationwide. It is the most respected professional certification available in K-12 education” (National Board for Professional Teaching Standards).

The National Board standards, components, core propositions are ALL student centered. The teachers who are attempting to earn, and have earned certification, desire to improve our practice for the benefit of our students.

Beyond student benefits, research indicates: “Schools with National Board Certified Teachers are characterized by better teacher morale and retention and increased community involvement” (National Board for Professional Teaching Standards). Therefore, Geneseo schools and the community reap NBCT rewards as well!

Like Geneseo, districts and schools that focus on student learning recognize the power of National Board certification and are taking steps to empower and raise the status of accomplished teachers. The value District 228 places on National Board Certification challenges and encourages educators to pursue this certification. Indeed, Geneseo ranks high in the state with 11% of its full-time teachers NB Certified, and with 15 current candidates, that percentage is sure to grow! With such dedication and success in National Board Certification, our educators are indeed a testimony to our district’s motto: “Geneseo Schools -- Where the Future Grows.”

National Board Certified Teachers

Alyson Anton

Deanna Brossman

Michelle Craig

Jodi D'Hondt

Sarah Degarmo

Christine Dewey

Tracie Douglas

Michelle Ganson

Rachel Hamilton

Melanie Henderson

Janelle Hickey

Taunya McGee

Brad Monier

Ashley Morey

Nikki Pierce

Kim Rivera

Michelle Schneden

Jennifer Snodgrass