



Hello August

Welcome back to another exciting school year! As National Board Certified Teachers, you are not only starting fresh, but continue to lead with excellence. Your dedication, passion, and commitment shape the future of our students and we are incredibly fortunate to have such an inspiring group of NBC Teachers.

As you prepare your classrooms, lesson plans, and yourselves, remember that your influence extends far beyond the walls of your classrooms. Your enthusiasm and care can ignite a lifelong love of learning in your students and make a profound impact on their lives. Your commitment to your craft can inspire your colleagues to enhance their practice which directly impacts student growth. Become a mentor!

Together, let's embrace the adventure of this new school year with open hearts and minds. May it be a year of discovery, collaboration, and achievement.

Warm Regards....

Maria

Joy and Wellness

Consider incorporating soft background music or nature sounds during independent work periods. This auditory backdrop can enhance the classroom's ambiance, helping both students and teachers maintain focus and reduce stress, fostering a more productive and calm learning environment.

- Classical Music
- Nature Sounds with Music
- Instrumental Covers
- Ambient Music
- Jazz Instrumentals
- Cinematic Instrumentals



August 2024



Important Dates

August 12th - First Day of School
August 30th - Admission Day
September 2nd - Labor Day

Due Dates

PAC/Commitment Form
June 10, 2024

Anyone changing positions
August 25, 2024

Annual Information Meeting for NBC Teachers (mandatory)

All active and eligible NBC Teachers must attend 1 session

(Registration is required via MyPLN)

August 21st 4:30PM-6:30PM (**North**)
August 22nd 4:30PM-6:30PM (**East**)
August 28th 4:30PM-6:30PM (**South**)
September 5th 4:30PM-6:30PM (**West**)
September 9th 4:30PM-6:30PM (make-up)

Office Hour Drop-In

August 26th 3:30PM-4:30PM
September 18th 3:30PM-4:30PM

Zoom

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82617492667>
ID: 82617492667

TDAS Mentor Information Meeting

for all NBC Teachers supporting any teacher under Task 1a through 1e (not TGI)



Thursday, September 12th

Log Submission

Fall - November 3, 2024
Spring - April 27, 2025

NBC FAQs:

<https://bit.ly/NBCTFAQ>

Highlights for the Month

Registration for the **Annual Information Meeting for NBC Teachers (mandatory)** is available via MyPLN. Attendance at this meeting is required of all active and eligible NBC Teachers. The meeting dates are offered by regions. We encourage you to register by your region, however if you are unable to attend that date, you are welcome to attend another one that is offered. Please register as early as possible to ensure your spot is reserved. Upon verification of your attendance and submission of the attendance and reflection forms, you will receive the Task 2 Log from our office. Please save it by downloading the Log and placing it in your files along with the MyPLN certificate. **The Task 2 Log and the MyPLN certificate will be required to submit for NBC hours.**



2024–25 NBPTS Certification Incentive Application

The [2024–25 NBPTS Certification Incentive Application](#) opens November 4, 2024. This application is for new and current eligible NBCT's teaching at a school on the Eligible High-Priority Schools List after January 1, 2025. This application will close on January 31, 2025, at 4 p.m.



Be sure to **check your National Board Certification expiration date**. If it is due to expire, review the renewal requirements so you can plan ahead and prepare for the Maintenance of Certification

Teacher Development and Support (TDAS) Mentoring

Mentors wanted for new teachers! Make a difference in the life and career of a new teacher by mentoring. You can also earn NBC hours for providing support to teachers under Task 1 (see the guidelines for details on the different types of support that are eligible for NBC hours). Some new teachers are required to have a mentor assigned to them, and some are not. It depends on the type of credential the teacher holds, and the amount of years they have held the credential. This information can be provided to you by the new teacher. If the teacher is unsure, you can check the information on the CTC website under public search: <https://www.ctc.ca.gov/>

If you are interested in becoming a mentor to a University Intern and/or a Provisional Teacher and have not yet submitted an application to the Teacher Development and Support (TDAS) Mentor Program, please complete the online application form: <https://www.lausd.org/Page/7691>



Closer Look/Second Look


The PAC and Commitment Form documents were due June 10, 2024. If you haven't already done so, submit the required documents as early as possible. Please check Schoology to verify your approved eligibility and any comments that may need to be addressed. If resubmission is required, please resubmit all required documents as a single PDF as early as possible.

Rename your Schoology Username using your LA Unified official First and Last name:

If you are currently using a title as your Schoology screenname instead of your first and last name, please change that setting. To do this, select your name from the upper right hand corner of your Schoology page, then choose Settings from the dropdown menu. In the Account Settings tab, uncheck the box that says "Display Title in place of your First Name" and then scroll down to the bottom of the page and save the new settings. Once saved, your correct first and last name should both appear on the upper right hand side of the screen. For example, instead of "Mrs. Smith", it should say "Jane Smith". We appreciate your support in resolving duplicate surname issues and in providing feedback to the correct person.

Task 1: Teacher Support Spotlight

MENTOR REMINDERS:

- Verify the credential of a new teacher or mentee to ensure they are eligible for support. Check the CTC website under public search and click on the ALL DOCUMENTS tab: <https://www.ctc.ca.gov/>
- Each mentee can be supported by only one NBC Teacher (NBCT).
- NBCT must record monthly teacher support hours on the online Monthly Mentor Log via Schoology by the 5th of each month.
- The Task 1 Log is a running record and should be signed each month when support is provided.
- NBCT will submit one Task 1 log per mentee each time an NBCT submits NBC Task 1 Hours (in November and/or April). The exception is if the mentee's eligibility status changes. Then, NBCT will start a new Task log matching the mentee's changed eligibility.
- All signatures are required to be in ink. 



UPDATE:

- **Technology support** for teachers under Task 1f is no longer an eligible activity for NBC hours.
- **New this year, for the month of August ONLY**, NBCTs assigned to mentor a teacher under Task 1a, or who are supporting a teacher under Task 1b-2, may log up to 15 hours of mentor support. This does not apply to TGI mentor support. This amendment will be honored by the TDAS branch. No further documentation will be required for the additional hours.
- **Provisional Teacher contact is** Sharla Rucker-Holland, slr8777@lausd.net
- **University Intern contact is** Sharon Lee, sharon.j.lee@lausd.net

Reminder: Leaves of Absences Process

NBC Teachers who are beginning and/or returning from a leave of absence are required to complete the Information Update Forms located in the NBC Schoology Course in the General Information folder. Upon returning from a leave, an updated PAC is also required.

[RETURNING FROM A LEAVE INFORMATION UPDATE](#)

[LEAVE OF ABSENCE](#)

NBC Task Log Submission Fall Dates

Fall Log Due in Schoology	November 3, 2024
Revisions NBC Teachers are required to check for comments and monitor for the resubmission request date.	Dates indicated in comments on Schoology
Notify TDAS Office of any Schoology discrepancies	January 6-10, 2025
Notify TDAS Office of pay discrepancies.	February 10, 2025
FALL LOG Hours	Reflected on February 5, 2025 paycheck

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