

National Board Certified Newsletter



Embracing the Spirit of Fall!

Harness the energy of autumn to inspire our students and colleagues. Whether it's through engaging lessons, outdoor activities, or collaborative projects, there are endless ways to celebrate the beauty of this season. Remember to take care of yourselves. Find moments to enjoy the fall—whether it's a walk in the park, a cozy read, or simply savoring a warm drink. Your well-being is essential for creating a nurturing environment for our students.

Teacher Support

The primary focus for NBC hours is to provide support for our new teachers. It is recommended that Task 1 guidelines be carefully reviewed to ensure the eligibility of potential "mentee" under Task 1a criteria. Other criteria to keep in mind:

- Two NBC teachers may not support the same teacher/mentee.
- Mentees who are provisional teachers, university interns, TPSL teachers and TGI teacher candidates are not eligible for additional support under Tasks: lb-1, lb-2, lc, or ld. Task le- Supplemental Support, cannot be provided when the official mentor assigned is an NBC Teacher.

Special Opportunities:

You are invited to engage with colleagues, and District leadership through a Special Opportunity. Refer to page two for the most current TDAS approved special opportunities.

As you complete your tasks, please keep the following in mind.

- Carefully plan and count the hours of your commitments. No compensation will be provided for hours that exceed what is listed on the NBC Guidelines.
- FALL Log submission window is October 3, 2024 through November 3, 2024.
 Only Logs submitted by this deadline will be reviewed for compensation in February.

Thank you for your commitment and creativity. Let's make this fall a season of growth and exploration!

Regards, Maria

Joy and Wellness

Life's stressors can get the best of you. Be reminded to grant yourself the gift of grace. Be kind and compassionate to yourself. Meditation may also be helpful and provide you with calmness during stressful times.



October 2024

National Hispanic/Latinx
Heritage Month
(September 15th - October 15th)

Filipino American History Month
LGBT History Month
Bullying Prevention Month
and Unity Day Oct. 18th



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October 3rd- Unassigned Day

Office Hour Drop-In (3:30 PM - 4:30 PM) October 24th October 29th October 30th Complete the interest survey <u>here</u>

https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82617492667

TDAS Mentor Information Meeting (mandatory) for all NBC Teachers supporting any teacher under Task la through le (not TGI) (Registration required in MyPLN)

October 23, 2024, 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM



Log Submission

Fall - November 3, 2024

Spring - April 27, 2025



NBC FAQs: https://bit.ly/NBCTFAQ

Other FAQ:

https://bit.ly/TDASAnnualInformationMeetingFAQs

Highlights for the Month

Special Opportunities, is another way NBC teachers can earn hours working with different dept./offices. When an opportunity is approved, the information is posted on the Special Opportunities page.

The Task 2a log is provided by our office to the program sponsor and signed by the sponsoring department/office. The exception to this is TGI. Participating NBC Teachers with TGI log the mentor hours under the TDAS Task 1 Log. The following are the current Special Opportunities for 2024-2025:

- Educator Development and Support: Teachers NBC Opportunity
- Gifted and Talented
- HR- Peer Assistance and Review Program Developing and **Teaching Workshops for PAR**
- Teacher Development and Support Mentor Program Provisional Teachers and University Interns
- Teacher Growth and Induction Program part-Time Mentor Program
- Learning Design Conference Prep & Planning, Operational Support, Instructional Support, Salary Point Course Design
- Personalized Learning Systems



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.

Are you awaiting the 2023-2024 State Incentive? Information on when you can expect to receive it, is forthcoming.



Tap a colleague on the shoulder.

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) has a new initiative to recruit Black educators in California to become National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs). The California Black Educator Initiative (CBEI), focuses on supporting 900 Black educators, in the Los Angeles area through the National Board certification process. The program will offer opportunities for incentives, professional development, community building, and other supports.

Encourage a colleague to learn more by visiting NBPTS page .The next Teacher Support Network UTLA/LAUSD meeting is October 5, others may be offered. (http://bit.ly/NBOrientation).

Teacher Development and Support (TDAS) Mentoring

As you inspire beginning teachers to be their best selves, consider meeting your mentee(s) where they are in their practice and differentiate your mentoring by identifying their strengths and areas of need. Their responses can be used to inform your support. Consider asking them the following questions:

- classroom?
- How do you know your
- practice is working (i.e., evidence of success)?
- What is going well in your What would you like to improve or enhance in your practice this semester (refer to the Teaching in Learning framework)?
 - What resources might you need at this time?

Mentors, you are invited to attend TDAS Monthly Mentor Professional Development to deepen your knowledge, advance your mentoring skills, and increase your capacity to support beginning teachers. Task 8 NBC hours will be granted upon successful completion of each PD. Register for the upcoming October 16th meeting (4:30 PM - 6:00 PM) on "Cultivating Positive Classroom Environments" in MyPLN (keywords: TDAS Monthly Mentor).

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Closer Look Second Look

Are You on a Leave?

Reminder-

The NBC Differential cannot be earned while on a leave of absence.

- NBCTS beginning or returning from a leave of absence must notify the TDAS office by completing the appropriate online form in Schoology.
- NBC Teachers who are beginning and/or returning from a leave of absence are required to complete the Information Update Forms. (leave and return)
- Upon returning from a leave, an updated PAC is required.

Fall Log Review Information

(Optional) Fall Log Submission is due November 3, 2024

To submit NBC Logs-

NBC Teacher must have:

- Completed the Annual Information Meeting for NBC Teachers
- An approved Principal Assignment Certification
- An approved Commitment Form
- Completion of the TDAS Mentor Information meeting is required prior to submitting hours when submitting hours of support, under Task la through le (not exclusively TGI).

Submissions must be:

- Complete and accurate
- · Placed in the correct folder
- In one combined PDF, in the correct pagination: Task Log, followed by required evidence, and in the portrait view.

A Complete Task Log Submission includes:

- The completion of the Fall Online Hours Overview and evidence in the Schoology folder
- Signed Cover page

Reminders:

- Schoology window opens October 3rd for Fall Log Submission and closes on November 3, 2024.
- Submit only completed Tasks (1, 2, 3, 4, or 5). Any changes to the original upload will not be reviewed.
- Once the Task has been uploaded, additional activities cannot be added. Please be sure that the Task you are uploading is
 complete and all of the hours you are requesting under the Task are included in the initial upload.
- Combine all completed log pages and evidence for the task in a single PDF file and upload it into the corresponding folder.

 Only the most recent uploaded document will be reviewed.
- Submit the Cover Page and Online Hours Overview after logs are uploaded. Upon submitting the electronic Online Hours Overview, create a PDF of the first page of the confirmation and upload to the Schoology assignment.
- Signatures on logs must be in ink. Only pre-approved departments can use digital signatures with authentication.
- Task 2b-2, 2b-3, and 2d require written pre-approval by the TDAS Branch. The pre-approval letter must be submitted as evidence.
- Task 2: Both planning and presenting must occur within the same NBC submission period, November or April (e.g., You can NOT submit hours for planning in the November submission window and present in the April submission window).
- Coordinating for the GATE program is ineligible for NBC hours.
- Re-name your Schoology username with your official last, first name if you are currently using a title as your Schoology screenname.

NBC Task Log Submission Fall Dates

| Optional FALL LOG SUBMISSION (Tasks 1 -5 only) | On February 5, 2025 paycheck |
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| Fall Log Due in Schoology | Due: November 3, 2024 |
| Revision (1 courtesy revision may be offered) NBC Teachers are required to check for comments and monitor for a possible revision request date. | Date indicated in comments on Schoology |
| Notify TDAS Office of Schoology discrepancies. | January 6-10, 2025 |
| Notify TDAS Office of pay errors. | February 10, 2025 |



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