

GETTING STARTED

FIRST STEPS TO BECOMING BOARD CERTIFIED

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Confirm Eligibility

- ✓ Bachelor's Degree?
- ✓ 3 Years Classroom Experience?
- ✓ Valid State License?

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Know Important Dates

- Registration
- Fee payment
- Portfolio submission
- Assessment window

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Understand Process and Fees

Read the entire [Guide to National Board Certification](#) for complete certification details and instructions. Choose your certificate area.

\$75 Nonrefundable annual registration fee

\$475 Per component fee

Create Account and Register

\$75 Create an account, complete applicant registration and pay \$75 registration fee.

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SELECT & PURCHASE

BECOMING A CANDIDATE

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Understand the Components

Review components for your certificate area

Assessment

 Component 1: Content Knowledge

Portfolio Entries

 Component 2: Differentiation in Instruction

 Component 3: Teaching Practice and Learning Environment

 Component 4: Effective and Reflective Practitioner

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Select Components

Log in to your account and select components. Register for each component individually.

Pay Fees

\$475 Pay for each component individually.

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SUBMIT WORK

SUBMIT PORTFOLIO ENTRIES
AND TAKE ASSESSMENT

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Complete Components

Schedule and take assessment



Take Component 1: Content Knowledge at a testing center.

Submit portfolio entries

Submit electronically using the ePortfolio system.



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Receive Scores

Scores will be reported on or before December 31.

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