



December 12, 2011

Connie Lambert, Dean
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Dear Dean Lambert :

On December 7, 2011, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) publicly announced the 2011 class of National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) at a White House event honoring these accomplished educators.

More than 6,200 teachers became Board Certified Teachers this year, bringing the total number of teachers who have achieved National Board Certification to nearly 100,000.

We are pleased to share that your institution was among the top 20 institutions that awarded undergraduate degrees to 40 or more teachers who became NBCTs this year. NBPTS is grateful that your organization serves an important pipeline for accomplished teachers, and we would like to thank you for your continuing support and interest.

As our President and CEO Ron Thorpe said when honoring this year's class of NBCTs, National Board Certification is the "gold standard" for teaching excellence. We are honored to partner with institutions like yours that also value accomplished teaching.

Again, thank you for your efforts regarding National Board Certification. We have enjoyed working with you, and we look forward to future collaborations.

Please feel free to contact me ecleveland@nbpts.org with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ella F. Cleveland'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ella Cleveland, Ph.D., Director
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