



Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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FROM: Dr. Carrie Kamm, Senior Director of Equity

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RE: District 97/National Board Certification Cohort Fees SY20

District 97 has recruited 53 teachers to participate in the 2019-2020 National Board Certification professional development program. These 54 teachers will join our 23 teachers who are currently in their first year of candidacy. This program is in partnership with the National Board Research Center (NBRC) at Illinois State University. Our teachers will be organized into cohorts that will be supported by a district administrator, a teacher liaison, and a cohort facilitator assigned by the Illinois National Board Resource Center (IL NBRC). Dr. Carrie Kamm will serve as the district administrator and one member from each cohort will serve as our teacher liaisons.

During the 2019-2020 school year, each cohort will focus on completing two National Board Certification components for their appropriate certificate area: Content Knowledge and Teaching Practice/Learning Environment.

The 2019-2020 cohort fees are \$62,776.00. The first installment (50% of the total cohort fee) of \$31,388.00 is due on March 22, 2019. The second installment is due on July 1, 2019. The fee for 2020-2021 will be determined in March 2020 and the cost for the district is calculated at 10% of the district instructional per student spending for each participant. This fee pays for the 12 professional development sessions provided by the IL NBRC, as well as the National Board facilitator that is provided by the IL NBRC. We are looking forward to supporting our teachers through this high-quality professional development endeavor and are appreciative that the Board of Education continues to support this effort.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carrie Kamm