



# Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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TO: Members, Board of Education  
Dr. Carol Kelley, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Carrie Kamm, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

DATE: April 8, 2016

RE: District 97 participation as a National Board Professional Development District

District 97 has recruited 40 teachers to participate in the 2016-2017 National Board Certification professional development program. This program is in partnership with the National Board Research Center (NBRC) at Illinois State University. Our teachers will be divided into three cohorts that will be supported by a district administrator, a teacher liaison for each cohort, and a National Board facilitator for each cohort assigned by the NBRC. Dr. Carrie Kamm will serve as the district administrator and Jean L H'eureux, Trica Groben, and Nancy Guarino will serve as our teacher liaisons.

During the 2016-2017 school year, each cohort will focus on completing two National Board Certification components for their appropriate certificate area: Differentiation in Instruction and Effective and Reflective Practitioner. In the 2017-2018 school year, the cohorts will focus on completing the remaining components: Content Knowledge and Teaching Practice and Learning Environment.

The cost for supporting our teachers through this process is \$30,040. This fee pays for the 12 professional development sessions provided by the NBRC, as well as the three National Board facilitators that are provided by the NBRC. We are looking forward to supporting our teachers through this high-quality professional development endeavor.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carrie Kamm