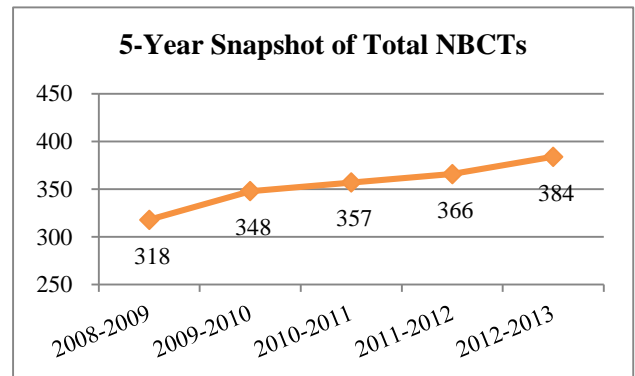


Elevating the Teaching Profession

“As our nation’s most accomplished educators, National Board Certified Teachers are well positioned to move our students, workforce, and country forward.”

– U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan

Amid increasing evidence of the strong connection between high-quality teaching and student achievement, Michigan has seen an increase in its number of Board-certified teachers. In 2013, 18 teachers in Michigan achieved National Board Certification, the profession’s highest recognition of accomplished teaching. That number represents a 4.92 percent increase over last year’s total. Today, Michigan ranks 36th in the nation in its total number of National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs).



National Board Certification is a rigorous, performance-based, peer review process created for teachers, by teachers. The more than 106,000 NBCTs nationwide represent just over 3 percent of all U.S. teachers, but they are having an outsized impact on the profession. Research has shown that students of NBCTs outperform their peers in other classrooms on achievement tests and that schools and districts with a high concentration of NBCTs see marked improvements in school culture, collaboration, and teacher retention.

2013 Statistics for Michigan

Increase in Teachers Achieving National Board Certification*			
	Number in 2012-2013	% Increase	Total Number Certified
MI	18	4.92%	384
Total	4,117	4%	106,365

Top Five School Districts Statewide (by total number certified)*		
School District	Number of New NBCTs	Total Number Certified
Detroit Public Schools	8	135
Kalamazoo Public Schools	0	11
Novi Community	3	9
Lansing	0	8
Chippewa Valley**	0	6
Flint Community**	0	6

*Source: Data reflects teachers’ place of employment as self-reported in the National Board database as of December 11, 2013.

**Rankings reflect districts tied for same place.