

STATE REIMBURSEMENT MONEY IN OREGON FOR NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION

(Rules governing the disbursement of these funds are up for final approval from TSPC in July 2018.)

Here's what you need to know:

▶ Who can be reimbursed:

- A teacher holding an active and valid Oregon license who was employed in an Oregon public education program in a teaching assignment at the time the eligible expense occurred and at the time of reimbursement *AND*
- Has been granted an initial or renewed NBCT certification after July 1, 2017.

▶ When and how can reimbursement be made:

- A qualifying Oregon teacher (as described above) who seeks reimbursement of eligible expenses (as described below) should contact TSPC about applying for reimbursement after that teacher has officially been granted the initial or renewed national board certification.

▶ What expenses can be reimbursed:

- Reimbursement is for the following actual, direct and eligible expenses towards obtaining initial or renewed national board certification:
 - Up to a \$2600 total for expenses related to initial certification including:
 - \$300 for eligible orientation expenses (approved by TSPC)
 - \$400 for eligible cohort expenses (approved by TSPC)
 - \$1900 for eligible component expenses
 - Up to a \$1450 total for expenses related to certification renewal including:
 - \$100 for eligible orientation expenses (approved by TSPC)
 - \$100 for eligible cohort expenses (approved by TSPC)
 - \$1250 for eligible component expenses

▶ What expenses cannot be reimbursed:

- An applicant may NOT be reimbursed for the following national certification expenses:
 - Registration or cycle fees
 - Component retakes
 - Returned check fees
 - Any fees refunded or waived by NBPTS
 - Reauthorization fees
 - Any expenses reimbursed by a school district
 - Any expenses incurred to obtain academic credit that is not directly attributed to direct costs for components, orientation/cohort/renewal programs.

▶ Bonus benefit for Oregon National Board-Certified Teachers (NBCTs):

- If an Oregon teacher holds a valid & active National Board Certification, their Oregon license is renewed without charge.

- ▶ Check in with your district and local association President to see if there are salary and/or resource incentives available for candidates and NBCTs. 48 local contracts have agreements to support teachers in national board certification.

