

## News release



**Everett Public Schools**

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### **National Board Certified Teachers now total 138**

***Latest “class of 2012” were among only 575 to earn certification in the state***



*School Board President Jeff Russell (far left) and Superintendent Gary Cohn (far right) flank members of the latest group of district teachers to earn National Board Certification.*

The National Board’s “class of 2012” has added 15 colleagues to the 138 instructional staff in Everett Public Schools who have successfully completed their National Boards.

Everett Public Schools 15 teachers were among just 4,980 nationwide and 575 in the state of Washington to earn National Board Certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards this year. To earn National Board Certification (NBC), a teacher must complete a rigorous process that typically takes one to three years to complete.

There are now National Board Certified Teachers successfully advancing student outcomes in all 50 states, with the largest number of NBCTs in North Carolina, Washington state and Illinois. Everett Public Schools is in sixth place among the state’s school districts in the number of National Board Certified teachers working here; 2 percent of the state’s NBC teachers are working in Everett Public Schools classrooms.

Nationally, the number of NBCTs has increased by 60 percent in the past five years. Eleven states have more than doubled the number of NBCTs in the past five years – Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, Washington and Wyoming.

#### **This year’s NBC “class of 2012” includes:**

Mary Ashley	Silver Lake Elementary
Rebecca French	Silver Lake Elementary
Jaime Klontz	Cedar Wood Elementary
Keri Lindsey	Woodside Elementary
Crystal Moore	Penny Creek Elementary
Corinne Panchot	Forest View Elementary
Jeniffer Pitharoulis	Everett High School
Karen Price	Everett High School
Andrew Sevald	HM Jackson High School
Sarah Simon	Cedar Wood Elementary
Kim Slavens	North Middle School
Kaja Smith	Heatherwood Middle School
Sheryl Templora	HM Jackson High School
Stephanie Van Driel	Garfield Elementary
Tracy Webber	Woodside Elementary

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