



What is Take One!™?

Take One! is a unique offering from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards® (NBPTS) that provides a standards-based approach for improving teaching practice and links student learning to effective instruction. Teachers prepare and submit one pre-selected video portfolio entry from any of the current certificate areas of National Board Certification. The entry will be scored in accordance with the deadlines and policies of the current NBPTS assessment program.

Who can participate?

Take One! is available to all teachers and administrators. Take One! is classroom-based professional development and requires that educators have access to a PreK-12 classroom.

How will Take One! candidates be supported?

Take One! candidates in AISD will be supported through a campus cohort. Each cohort will be facilitated by a National Board Certified Teacher and will meet approximately 20 hours, or approximately 10 times, between October and April. Each cohort will determine the meeting dates and times. Beginning in October and using the NBPTS standards as a framework, candidates will plan and videotape lessons. Candidates will review one another's videotape and will offer feedback. After viewing the video, candidates will reflect on the activity and write a commentary. Feedback will be provided for written portfolio entry reflections and analysis. Candidates will bring rough drafts and videos of instruction to each meeting. The cohort will focus on the portfolio entry beginning with the first meeting.

Topics to be covered:

- ✓ *Getting to know the entry*
- ✓ *How to videotape effectively*
- ✓ *Selecting appropriate instruction*
- ✓ *Knowing student strengths and gaps*
- ✓ *Aligning knowledge of students to planning and analysis*
- ✓ *Reflecting on the effectiveness of instruction*
- ✓ *Writing for the National Board process*
- ✓ *Finding evidence of the standards in a video*

Who are the Take One! cohort facilitators?

The cohort facilitators are National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs). AISD pays NBCTs a stipend of \$1000 for their work supporting the National Board program. Take One! cohort facilitators will earn their stipend by supporting Take One! candidates.

How do candidates sign up?

Candidates can sign up either with Laura Baker (laura.baker@austinisd.org or 414-9561) or the Take One! sign-up sheet on the campus. The deadline is September 25, 2009.

How much does it cost?

The fee is \$395 per candidate. Through a targeted High Needs Initiative from the NBPTS, fees for up to 60 Austin ISD Take One! candidates will be waived.

How does Take One! align with National Board Certification?

The Take One! video portfolio entry is one of the four entries of National Board Certification. Take One! candidates who meet the accomplished score on their entry can bank that score if they choose to become a National Board candidate in the three years following Take One!.