

**NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION  
2006 SUBSIDY GRANT APPLICATION  
PART ONE  
VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**What?** Grant money from July 1, 2006, state funding will provide \$1,000 to 75 candidates. If sufficient federal funds are awarded to NBPTS through a United States Department of Education grant, this funding will be applied as in past years to increase the support provided by the General Assembly from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for the initial 75 candidates. If federal funding in excess of \$75,000 is awarded, the additional funding will be used to provide as many \$1,000 federal subsidy grants as possible.

***Candidate's Fee Responsibility:***

- If a \$2,000 grant becomes available, the recipient must apply online for certification directly to NBPTS (\$65 application fee) and make an initial payment of \$500 between April 21 and May 12, 2006.
- If selected for a \$1,000 grant, the recipient must apply online for certification directly to NBPTS (\$65 application fee) and make an initial payment of \$500 between April 21 and May 12, 2006. The remaining \$1,000 is paid directly to NBPTS by January 31, 2007.

**Who?** Virginia public school teachers who meet the following criteria may apply for a grant:

- A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university;
- Three years of full-time teaching experience by the end of the 2005-06 school year;
- A valid five-year Virginia teaching license; and
- Employment in a Virginia public school for the 2006-07 school year.

**When?** The grant application deadline is **Monday, April 10, 2006**; grant notification will be by **Friday, April 21, 2006**.

**How?** Complete Part Two of the 2006 Subsidy Grant Application.

***Selection Criteria:***

Priority will be given to grant subsidy candidates employed in identified hard-to-staff schools; the remaining will be randomly selected and will be divided among the eight superintendents' regions.

***Twenty-four Certificate Areas Available for the 2006-07 School Year:***

- Individuals can review these certificate areas and the portfolio directions on the NBPTS Web site at [www.nbpts.org](http://www.nbpts.org) under Candidate Resource Center.
- Important! A candidate's grade and/or teaching assignment for 2006-07 as well as the students' age level must align with the certification area selected. Please review the 2006 Guide to National Board Certification available under the Candidate Resource Center.

***Information about National Board Certification NBC Subsidy Grant Program:***

- [www.doe.virginia.gov](http://www.doe.virginia.gov) under "Supt.'s Memos for March 10, 2006" and Teacher Education, Licensure, and Professional Practice for information about the NBC grant subsidy program in Virginia.
- [www.nbpts.org](http://www.nbpts.org) under Candidate Resource Center or call **1-800-22TEACH**.

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