



Jump Start toward National Board Certification

Date: June 4 – June 7, 2019

Location: University of Alaska, Anchorage (UAA)

NEA-Alaska Jump Start is a 4-day workshop that provides support for educators planning to pursue National Board Certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). National Board Certification (NBC) is recognized as a national standard of quality professional achievement. Jump Start is a key component of NEA-Alaska's mission to provide quality public education for Alaskan children through continued development of its education professionals.

Jump Start, taught by National Board Certified teachers, is designed to prepare participants for the rigorous process of NBC through which they will describe, analyze and reflect upon their practice. Participants will become familiar with the foundation, components and requirements of NBC.

This workshop is open to NEA-Alaska members and will be held at the University of Alaska, Anchorage campus.

Note: Three years of teaching experience is required to apply for the National Board Certification assessment, but is not required to participate in Jump Start.

If more than 20 educators register for the course, a wait list will be created. Additionally, priority will be given to current National Board Certification candidates.

Workshop Schedule: 8:30 am — 4:30 pm, Tuesday, June 4 through Friday, June 7.

- **Workshop Location:** Gorsuch Commons, UAA campus

- **Maximum Capacity for this workshop:** 20 Participants
- **Target Audience:** Pre-K through 12th grade – educators, teachers, librarians and school counselors (certificated employees)

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION: Online registration will be available April 1 – May 3 by clicking [here](#).

REGISTRATION FEE: A \$100 refundable registration fee is required to confirm your Jump Start registration.

We will confirm your workshop registration via email upon receiving your \$100 deposit. Your check will be returned to you on the last day of workshop. Please do not proceed with travel arrangements until you have received our email confirmation. **See Travel section below.**

Please make **check payable to NEA-Alaska** and mail or drop off at:

NEA-Alaska

Attn: Susie Smythe
4100 Spenard Road
Anchorage, AK 99517

Note: The registration deposit will be forfeited for 'no-shows,' those who cancel campus housing and/or cancel workshop registration after May 10, or do not complete the 4-day workshop.

GENERAL INFORMATION ON TRAVEL, LODGING, MEALS & UAA COURSE CREDIT:

Travel

NEA-Alaska will reimburse up to \$500 towards airfare (best deal) for 10 members (first come, first served) who live outside of the greater Anchorage, Mat-Su Valley or Kenai areas.

Lodging

Overnight accommodations will be provided to participants upon request, utilizing UAA's summer guest housing on campus. Lodging expenses will be paid by NEA-Alaska.

Room Type

Double – two private single bedrooms, sharing one private bath

Quad – four single private bedrooms, sharing 2 private baths (if family members will be

traveling with you; extra rooms not used by the member attending will be paid for by that member at a discounted rate)

Participants may check in after 3:00 pm on the day of their arrival and must check out of their rooms no later than 12 noon on the day of their departure. Only one day prior to the start of the workshop and one day past the end of the workshop may be covered based on flight schedules.

Parking

UAA has a Pay n Park system and we will provide a special code to those who require parking.

Meals

NEA-Alaska will provide breakfast and lunch each day of the workshop for the attending member. Dinner is on your own.

UAA CREDITS

UAA Professional Development Graduate Level Credits: 2 (Optional)

Cost: \$99

Course credit applications will be available at the workshop.

For more information about National Board Certification, visit www.nbpts.org/ or contact one of our course instructors listed below:

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