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An All Star Celebration

NEWESD 101Announces the 2022 New and Recertified National Board Certified Teachers

SPOKANE, WA – This month, nearly 150 teachers in our region were honored with certifications from the National Board of Certified Teachers where 116 were recertified and 30 were newly certified. These teachers represent 20 districts across the northeast Washington region.

"A cornerstone of our mission at NEWESD101 is educational excellence," said Robert Roettger, NEWESD 101 Superintendent. "The process of becoming certified is testament to our teachers' commitment to our students' success, and that is something of which we are all very proud."

The National Board Certification was designed to develop, retain and recognize accomplished teachers and generate ongoing improvement in schools nationwide. It is known as the most respected professional certification available in education and provides numerous benefits to teachers, students and schools.

This past year, Washington state ranked first in the nation for the most recertified NBCTs and second for the most new NBCTs. Spokane Public Schools ranked 17th in the nation among districts with the most new NBCTs, and three of Washington's state colleges and universities were listed in the top 10 for NBCT alma maters.

Said Roettger, "These rankings show just how strong our educational system is here at home. We are so proud to support our teachers as they continue to grow and expand their skills, providing our students and families with the best education possible."

For a full list of all regional teachers recently named new or renewed NBCTs, visit http://bit.ly/40hgN4M.

To learn more about the National Board Certification, visit https://www.nbpts.org/.

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About NorthEast Washington Educational Service District (NEWESD) 101

NEWESD 101 promotes educational excellence by delivering essential, cooperative services to 59 public school districts, 45 state-approved private schools and four charter schools across northeast Washington in Adams, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens and Whitman counties.

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