



# NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION EDUCATOR PREPARATION NEWSLETTER

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## BOARD OF REGENTS MATRIMONY

Changes to the Board of Regents The Board of Regents unanimously elected Regent Judith Chen as Vice Chancellor, replacing Vice Chancellor Emerita Josephine Regan. Regent Chen has been integral to the Board's work on ensuring equity for all students, implementing high quality learning standards that will improve teaching and learning, and offering students multiple, rigorous pathways to earn a meaningful high school diploma as the Regents Department, and stakeholders, work to implement the [Graduation Measures Blue Ribbon Commission findings](#)

Regents [Christine D. Cevasco](#), [Wade S. Norwood](#), and [James E. Cottrell](#) were also elected to serve another term. [Hasoni Pratts](#) of Brooklyn, [Patrick A. Mannion](#) of Onondaga County, and Seema Rivera of Albany County were elected to the Board of Regents, replacing Regents [Kathleen M. Cashin](#), [Josephine V. Finn](#), and [Elizabeth S. Hakanson](#).

**DID YOU KNOW?**

A partnership agreement can help create a "third space," where academic knowledge intersects and are transformed. In this space, hierarchies are dismantled, power is equally distributed, and collaboration between schools and educators is encouraged. By expanding boundaries and breaking down silos, and community-based knowledge converge in the third space.

Proposed Emergency Measure to Amend Sections 86.1, 86.2, 86.3, and 86.4 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to the Albert Shanker National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Certification Grant Program. William Murphy, Deputy Commissioner for Higher Education, and Elena Bruno, Professional Standards and Practices Board Secretary and Albert Shanker Grant Coordinator, presented [proposed amendments related to the Albert Shanker Grant](#). The amendments would revise the eligibility requirements for teachers for grant funds to cover costs associated with obtaining and maintaining National Board Certification.

The Albert Shanker Grant currently provides grant funds to teachers to defray the initial cost of obtaining National Board Certification. Nationally Board Certified Teachers (NBCT) renew their certification at their own expense. The proposed amendments would make funding available to NBCTs to renew their National Board Certification at the five-year expiration date as required by the National Board's Maintenance of Certification process.

The amendments also allow first-time candidates who fail one or more of the NBTC components a one-time opportunity to receive additional funding to retake the unsuccessful component(s). The proposed amendment also includes technical revisions to update the language of Part 86 of the Commissioner's regulations.

The emergency rule will become effective May 14, 2024. Following the expiration of the 60-day public comment period, the proposed amendment is anticipated to be presented for permanent adoption at the July Regents meeting and become effective on July 31, 2024.

Update on the Multi-Subject: Students With Disabilities (All Grades) Assessment. At this time, the Multi-subject: Students with Disabilities (All Grades) Assessment is not a test offered by NYSTCE, although it does appear as an option in the Test Scores section of a TEACH account for the [Content Specialty Test \(CST\) - Specified Multi-Subject Examination](#) requirement for the SWD All Grades certificate, candidates must satisfactorily complete one of the following exams:

- Multi-Subject: Teachers of Childhood (Grade 6)
- Multi-Subject: Teachers of Middle Childhood (Grade 5 - 9)
- Multi-Subject: Secondary Teachers (Grade 12)
- Multi-Subject (002) - (No longer available)
- Safety Net Multi-Subject (902) - (No longer available)

Note: The Multi-Subject: Teachers of Early Childhood (Grade 2) cannot be used to satisfy this requirement

Educating All Students (EAS) Requirement for School Leadership Certification. Educating All Students (