



*Elizabeth Smolgovsky* was granted the MTNA Professional Certification credential with the designation, **Nationally Certified Teacher of Music (NCTM)** in 2002 by the Music Teachers National Association upon fulfilling the requirements for program, which is based upon a set of specific standards defining what a competent music teacher should know and be able to do. Elizabeth has demonstrated competence in professional preparation, teaching practices, ethical business management and lifelong learning.

The association signifies commitment to continued excellence in professional practice. Such certification provides a goal for personal professional achievement and validates expertise for the individual and to those outside the field. The MTNA Professional Certification program exists for teachers who teach music to students of any age level in private or group settings.

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