



Conservation Education Teacher of the Year

Awards to Virginia K-12 School Teachers for Excellence in Conservation Education

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Agency Type: Foundation / Corporation

Funding Source: Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (VASWCD) Educational Foundation

Deadline: 09/09/20 Receipt

Conf. Date: 00/00/00

Description: Awards of \$250 to Virginia elementary and secondary school teachers to recognize excellence in conservation education. Awards are intended to acknowledge programs that demonstrate originality, scope, and concern in incorporating the conservation of natural resources into the curriculum. Elementary (grades K-5) and secondary (grades 6-12) educators will be honored in separate categories on state and local levels.

Full Description:

Educators who win at the local level should be recognized by their local conservation district. Local winners are then sent to the state competition. An elementary winner and a secondary winner will be selected. These state winners receive a State Teacher of the Year certificate and a monetary prize provided by the VASWCD Educational Foundation and any other awards or recognition the state deems appropriate.

Estimated Size of Grant: First Place Teacher in each category receives a plaque and \$250.

Eligibility:

- See RFP and/or Grant Guidelines for full eligibility
- Teachers

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

All teachers in public, parochial, and private schools in Virginia are eligible to participate in the program.

To be eligible for the contest:

- Educators must be teaching full-time in the classroom during the school year prior to application submission.
- A candidate's nomination must be endorsed by the conservation district in which he or she is teaching.
- Teachers who are conservation district directors cannot compete, but associate directors may.
- Team teachers are eligible, but awards will only be made to the designated leader.
- Educators who have won a first-place VASWCD award in the last ten years are not eligible to compete again at the state level.
- Educators and Districts who submit and do not win a state award may resubmit their entries the following year.

Pre-Application Information: Applications are due September 9, 2020. Nominations must be received by the VASWCD office.

Any teacher who meets the eligibility requirements may enter the contest. Teachers can nominate themselves, or someone else in the district may nominate them.

Each SWCD may send one nominee in each category (K-5th, 6th-12th).

State winners will be recognized at the VASWCD Annual Meeting.

Contact Information: Before starting your grant application, please review the funding source's website listed below for

updates/changes/addendums/conferences/LOIs.

Email nominations to: bonnie.mahl@vaswcd.org

Or mail to:

VASWCD

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URL for Full Text (RFP): <https://vaswcd.org/award-program>

Geographic Focus:

USA: **Virginia**;

Categories:

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