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CELEBRATIONS

- GENERATION FITNESS, the Federal PE program, will be funded in full again next year. Congratulations to Joe Coles and Dev Bernbeck for all their hard work making this program the success that it is.

OPEN OPPORTUNITIES

- AT&T High School Success Special Grants Program
 - Due MAY 19 in the grant office in Topeka
 - This grant program funds support for existing, successful high school retention programs (\$50,000 - \$100,000) OR support for planning/capacity-building activities for school districts to design an effective high school retention program (\$25,000 - \$35,000)
 - See our website for a copy of the Request for Proposals (RFP) <http://www.swprsc.org/vnews/display.v/ART/472209081481f> Or follow the links from www.swprsc.org to the Grant Writing tab to Opportunities Currently Open link.
- Science and Math Instruction Enhancement Grants Currently Open:

Live GREEN Teacher Grants

This program provides funding to U.S. middle school teachers (grades 5-9) to implement ideas that will increase student learning of new and emerging technologies and their impact on the environment and energy use. Awards of \$1,000 each will go to teachers whose entries propose the most innovative use of the funds. Recipients also will participate in an online professional development program. They will also get a free digital camera to document and share the experience. Enter by May 15 at <http://livegreen.discoveryeducation.com>.

ASM International Foundation Teacher Grants

The foundation's "Living in a Material World" grants of \$500 each aim to enhance K-12 teachers' awareness of materials science and the role of materials scientists. Applications must submit a proposal describing a curriculum-based, hands-on project involving students' observation, communication, and mathematics and science skills that also enhances their awareness of the materials around them. Proposals may be emailed by May 25 to jdeather@asminternational.org or mailed to ASM International Foundation, Attn.: "Living in a Material World" Program, Materials Park, OH 44073-0002. Refer to http://www.asminternational.org/content/Foundation/LivingintheMaterialWorld/Living_Material_World.htm.

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Hach Scientific Foundation Grants

The foundation will award grants of up to \$1,500 to U.S. high school chemistry teachers with creative ideas for transforming learning. Apply by May 31 at www.hachscientificfoundation.org/outreach.shtml.

Entomological Society of America's President's Prizes

The President's Prizes for Outstanding Achievement in Primary and Secondary Education recognize educators who use insect as educational tools. One winner will be chosen from among K-6 teachers and one among teachers of grades 7-12. Awardees will receive \$400 to purchase teaching materials/ \$400 for travel expenses to present a paper or poster on the use of insects in educational programs at a peer professional venue/ and free registration, reimbursed airfare, complimentary hotel arrangements, and a per diem allowance to attend the Entomological Society of America's annual meeting. Applicant may nominate themselves (deadline July 1). Consult www.entsoc.org/awards/professional/educational.htm.

Gardener Crusader Award Contest

Gardener's Supply will award more than \$15,000 in cash and products to individuals nationwide who use gardening to made a difference in their communities. Awards will be given in four categories. To learn more and nominate a gardener by June 15, visit www.gardeners.com and select the "Community" tab.

Edith Stevens Groundwater Educator Award

This award recognizes educators who understand the importance of groundwater, motivate others to protect groundwater, and lead by personal example. Nominations must be received by July 14 at www.groundwater.org/aw/edithabout.html.

New Science Teacher Academy to Select Middle and HS Science Teachers for 2008-09

Applications are still being accepted to become a "Fellow" in the NSTA New Science Teacher Academy for 2008-09. New science teachers throughout the country who are entering their second or third year of teaching with a schedule that includes at least 51% science teaching time to middle or high school students are encouraged to apply.

Cofounded by the Amgen Foundation, the NSTA New Science Teacher Academy is a fellowship program created to help promote quality science teaching, enhance teacher confidence and classroom excellence, and improve teacher content knowledge. NSTA Fellows chosen for the program which runs from August 2008 through June 2009, will receive a comprehensive NSTA membership package; participation in an e-mentoring program developed by NSTA, the New Teacher Center at UC-Santa Cruz, and Montana State University; and access to a variety of web-based professional development activities including web seminars. Each NSTA Fellow will receive financial support to attend and participate in NSTA's 2009 National Conference on Science Education in New Orleans, scheduled for mid-March.

For more information on how to apply to the New Teacher Science Academy, please visit <http://www.nsta.org/academy>. Applications must be submitted no later than May 23, 2008, to be considered. Don't delay, apply now.

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