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ALEXANDRIA, Va. – Kenneth L. Huff, a sixth grade teacher at Mill Middle School in Williamsville, New York, has been named the 2018 recipient of the Edward C. Roy Jr. Award for Excellence in K-8 Earth Science Teaching. Huff earned his Master's degree in Education from the State University of New York College at Buffalo and is National Board Certified in Early Adolescence/Science. In addition to teaching, Huff was the co-chair of the Teacher Advisory Council for the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine.

"Mr. Huff is an exceptionally accomplished earth and space science teacher," said Allyson Anderson Book, Executive Director of the American Geosciences Institute. "His demonstrated strength for connecting his students with professional geoscientists and his thoughtful lesson plans have earned the admiration of his colleagues and national recognition in the teaching community."

Huff will receive the award in March at the National Earth Science Teachers Association (NESTA) Friends of Earth Science Reception during the 2018 National Science Teachers Association Conference in Atlanta. This year's finalists were Anica Brown of Pound Middle School in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Chris Spiegl of Montgomery Bell Academy in Nashville, Tennessee.

Given annually, AGI's Edward C. Roy Jr. Award recognizes one classroom teacher from kindergarten to eighth grade for leadership and innovation in Earth science education. The award is named in honor of Dr. Edward C. Roy Jr., who was a strong and dedicated supporter of Earth science education. To learn more, please see www.americangeosciences.org/education/awards/roy

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