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Alexandria, VA -- The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is extending the deadline for nominations for the Edward C. Roy Award for Excellence in Earth Science Teaching. To be eligible, applications must be postmarked by **February 7, 2014**. Given annually, this award is presented to one full-time K-8 teacher in the U.S. or U.K. whose excellence and innovation in the classroom elevates students' understanding of the Earth and its many processes.

Applicants will be judged based on their dedication to and enthusiasm for teaching, as well as their expertise in crafting and delivering Earth science instruction to their students. The winner of the Edward C. Roy Award will receive a cash prize and an additional travel grant to attend the 2014 National Science Teachers Association Annual Conference in Boston in April 2014. The Edward C. Roy Award is given in honor of Dr. Edward C. Roy Jr., a strong and dedicated supporter of Earth science education. A past president of AGI and former chair of the AGI Education Advisory Committee, Roy was a lifelong supporter of teachers and students of all ages.

For more information on requirements, application procedures and deadlines, please visit http://www.agiweb.org/education/awards/ed-roy/.

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