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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) and ExxonMobil Exploration are currently recruiting teachers for the 14th Annual Geoscience and STEM Teacher Leadership Academy for K-8 teachers. The 2022 academy will begin with an introductory webinar in early July, with the main academy experience taking place virtually July 11, 12, 13, 18, and 19.

As in past years, during the Teacher Leadership Academy, K-8 teachers from around the country will be provided with:

- activities to refresh and enhance Earth science content knowledge,
- access to and guides for hands-on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) activities,
- resources to develop professional development workshops,
- opportunities to network with other educators, and
- experiences to share with students in the classroom and with colleagues in professional development settings.

Selected will be up to 30 participants, each of whom is recognized by their school and/or school system as having potential as a teacher leader. Funding from ExxonMobil allows each selected participant to receive a \$500 stipend, plus up to \$200 for equipment and supplies upon completion of the academy. While individual applicants will be considered, teams of two to four from across grade levels or science subject matter areas are encouraged to apply from a state, school district, or school.

Academy participants are asked to commit to leading at least one professional development experience, which can be a workshop, conference presentation, and/or another type of event that helps enhance the geoscience and STEM teaching knowledge and skills of other Earth science educators.

AGI welcomes applications from public school teachers from all states and school systems serving U.S. students, including those that are part of the Department of Defense (DODEA) network. The application review process will begin April 1, 2022, and will continue until all spaces are filled.

Teachers can apply for the AGI/ExxonMobil academy by completing the form. Learn more about the Teacher Leadership Academy online.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI), a federation of scientific and professional associations representing over a quarter-million geoscientists, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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