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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Because teachers play a vital role in preparing the next generation of geoscience professionals and leaders, the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) invites qualified science educators to enter its competition for the 2024 Edward C. Roy Jr. Award for Excellence in K-8 Earth Science Teaching. The award is given in honor of Dr. Edward C. Roy Jr., a strong and dedicated supporter of Earth science education.

Given annually, this award honors one teacher of students ranging from kindergarten through grade eight in the United States or Key stages 1-3 in the United Kingdom. The award recognizes leadership and innovation in Earth science education.

Entrants are asked to submit an application packet including a curriculum vitae or resume, letters of recommendation, an essay, and an exemplary Earth system science lesson plan, preferably that they have implemented in their instruction. Submissions are stronger if they address current trends in Earth science education.

The winner of the Roy Award will receive a monetary prize of \$2,500 and a travel grant of up to \$1,500 to attend the upcoming National Science Teaching Association National Conference in spring of 2024. To be eligible, applications must be submitted by January 12, 2024.

Teachers may apply themselves or may be nominated by a colleague. For more information on requirements, application procedures, and deadlines, please visit [Edward C. Roy Jr. Award for Excellence in K-8 Earth Science Teaching](#) and/or view a brief webcast. If you are interested in nominating a teacher for this award, please send us their name and email address. Questions and nominations may be directed to awards@americangeosciences.org.

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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