

K-8 Earth Science and STEM Teacher Leadership Academy

July 12-17, 2020



HOW TO APPLY

School administrators can nominate one teacher or teams of two to four teachers by emailing nominee names and email addresses to tla@americangeosciences.org using the subject line “**K-8 Teacher Leadership Academy Nominee(s)**”

Nominees

Nominated teachers will be provided a URL link. The link will allow each teacher to complete an online application and upload the three required documents:

- **Current CV or Resume** that includes your contact information, teaching experiences, professional development training (received or lead)
- **A Letter of Recommendation** from a principal or other school administrator that includes support of post-academy workshops lead by teacher(s)
- **A Letter of Interest** explaining why you would like to attend the academy and the benefits you believe it will provide to you and the colleagues to whom you present in the next academic year

ExxonMobil Exploration and the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) are pleased to announce that they will be holding the 12th annual national Teacher Leadership Academy in Earth science and STEM for K-8 teachers on **July 12-17, 2020**. The program will be held in Houston and begins with a reception and dinner on Sunday, **July 12** and concludes at noon on Friday, **July 17**.

The academy will provide teachers with Earth science content, access to and guides for hands-on activities, ready-to-use slides for professional development workshops, tours of some ExxonMobil facilities, hands-on activities, educational resources, and real-world science experiences that they can use with their students in the classroom and with their colleagues in professional development settings.

Academy-related travel, lodging, and subsistence costs will be reimbursable through a grant from ExxonMobil. We have space for up to 30 participants. While individual applicants will be considered, we encourage teams of two to four from across **grade levels or science subject matter areas** to apply from each state or school district, though individuals are also welcomed to apply.

The focus of the academy is first and foremost to prepare professionals to serve as Earth science and STEM education mentors/leaders among their colleagues. Therefore, we are looking for teachers who have the potential to become Earth science professional development providers and leaders in their home school systems. The applicant review process **will start April 1, 2020** and continue until the academy is full. School administrators are encouraged to recommend teachers early.