ExxonMobil Exploration and the American Geosciences Institute (AGI) are pleased to announce that they will be holding the 11th annual national Teacher Leadership Academy in Earth science and STEM for K-8 teachers July 7-12, 2019. The program will be held in Houston and begins with a reception and dinner on the evening of Sunday, July 7 and concludes at noon on Friday, July 12.

The academy will provide teachers with Earth science content, 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.

The program will be residential in Houston. Academy-related travel, lodging, and subsistence costs will be reimbursable through a grant from ExxonMobil. We have space for up to 30 participants and encourage teams of two or four from across grade levels or science subject matter areas to apply from each state or school district, though individuals are also welcome 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 2019 and continue until the academy is full. School administrators are encouraged to recommend teachers early.