

Association of Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts

2011 TEACHER OF THE YEAR

SPONSOR:

This award is sponsored by the Illinois Audubon Society and the Association of Illinois Soil & Water Conservation Districts.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this award is to recognize the outstanding conservation education efforts of our Illinois' teachers in two age categories.

ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for this award, the nominee:

1. Open to K-12 educators, teaching full time in the classroom at public, parochial or private schools
2. Should be personally responsible for developing a conservation education program
3. Must be endorsed by the conservation district in which he or she is teaching
4. A conservation district board member is ineligible; though they are eligible if they are an associate board member
5. Can be a part of team teachers, awards will only be made to the designated leader

ORDER OF ENTRY:

Entries should be typed, submitted in a 1 inch 3-ring binder with page protectors or report cover, for 8½ inch x 11 inch paper.

1. Entry form
2. Submit narrative single spaced, using 12 point font. Response for each narrative must not exceed one page.
3. Include one (1) letter of recommendation

AWARD PACKAGE:

1. Two (2) complimentary meal tickets where award will be presented
2. A plaque of recognition
3. \$250 Illinois Biodiversity Grant opportunity

DEADLINE: Completed entries are due **May 16, 2011.** **Updated to: June 1, 2011.**

Send To: AISWCD
Attn: Teacher of the Year Award
4285 North Walnut Street Rd.
Springfield, IL 62707

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

NOMINEE

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City/ST/Zip: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail address: _____

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

City/ST/Zip: _____

Department: _____ Grade level(s): _____

County Name: _____

Number of students enrolled in school: _____

School-allocated budget for your conservation education program: _____

List the subject(s) you teach: _____

NOMINATED BY

District Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Title: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address: _____

Is the nominee a voting member of the conservation district board: Yes No

District Chairman's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Content of Narrative – Each answer must not exceed one page

- 1. Identify any continuing education that you have attended within the past two years. Explain how you incorporated the information into your classroom. How did these learning experiences advance State and National Educational Standards?**

Content of Narrative, page 2

2. Describe the unique and/or innovative approaches you use to advance environmental education/agricultural literacy into your classroom. How do you involve your students for the betterment of natural resources?

Content of Narrative, page 3

3. Explain how students in your class have spread the conservation message to others within the school or community.