

## **PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCIENCE TEACHING**

Established by Congress in 1983, and administered for the White House by the National Science Foundation, the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science Teaching annually recognizes one science teacher from each state.

Teachers must be nominated by a parent, student, principal, or colleague. Completed applications from nominated teachers are due to Jim Woodland at the Nebraska Department of Education by May 1. (Starting in 2003, teachers of grades 7-12 are honored in odd-numbered years and teachers of K-6 are honored in even-numbered years).

2010 (Elementary)

Laura Callahan, Bancroft Elementary School, Omaha, NE

2009 (Secondary)

Brenda Zabel, Westside High School, Omaha

2008 (Elementary)

Reenie McMains, Omaha King Science and Technology Magnet School

2007 (Secondary)

LeeAnn Vaughan, Omaha North High Magnet School

2006 (Elementary)

Julia Polak, Milligan Elementary School, Milligan

2005 (Secondary)

Jim Rynearson, Lincoln High School, Lincoln

2004 (Elementary)

Vanita Jarmon, Central Park Elementary, Omaha

2003 (Secondary)

Dan Sitzman, Omaha North High School

2002 (Secondary)

Carol Engleman, Elkhorn Middle School

2001 (Secondary)

Katie Jo Ramsey, Walnut Middle School, Grand Island

2001 (Elementary)

Bev Gruber, North Bend Elementary

2000 (Secondary)

Cece Schwensen, Millard South High School

2000 (Elementary)

Anita Long, Shell Creek Elementary, Lakeview

1999 (Secondary)  
Robert Curtright, Lincoln Northeast High School

1999 (Elementary)  
Karen Hastings, Grand Island

1998 (Secondary)  
Bob Talbitzer, Kearney High School

1998 (Elementary)  
Jan Johnson, Wakefield

1997 (Secondary)  
Lois Mayo, Lincoln Pius X High School

1997 (Elementary)  
Mary Tusha, Verdigrée

1996 (Secondary)  
Michael Tolfa, North Loup Scotia

1996 (Elementary)  
Joan Anthony, Elkhorn

1995 (Secondary)  
Judy Williams, Central City

1995 (Elementary)  
Angela Nickel, Kearney

1994 (Secondary)  
Bob Feurer, North Bend High School

1994 (Elementary)  
Nancy Bellows, York

1993 (Secondary)  
Diane Epp, Lincoln

1993 (Elementary)  
Paul Clark, Elkhorn

1992 (Secondary)  
Susan Koba, Omaha North High School

1992 (Elementary)  
Pam Smith, Hastings

1991 (Secondary)  
Roger Kassebaum, Millard North High School

1991 (Elementary)  
Suzanne Kirby, Lincoln

1990 (Secondary)  
Joanne Langabee, Papillion-LaVista High School

1990 (Elementary)  
Henrietta Pane, Omaha

1989  
Ed Brogie, Laurel-Concord

1988  
Jim McGahan, Grand Island Northwest High School

1987  
Mary Kubovy, Omaha

1986  
Chuck Lang, Omaha Westside High School

1985  
Roger Rea, Omaha Northwest High School

1984  
Ron Cisar, Omaha Lewis and Clark Junior High School

1983  
Jack Skrocky, Omaha Northwest High School