



Application Procedure

Award for Excellence in the Teaching of Natural Resources in the Earth Sciences

Each year, The Tulsa Geological Society Foundation makes a \$2,250 cash award to an individual teacher for Excellence in the Teaching of Natural Resources in the Earth Sciences. The Foundation expects that one-third of the award is applied to the teacher's school program under their sole direction and two-thirds is for personal use by the teacher.

Requirements:

1. Minimum of three years full-time teaching experience at any K – 12 level.
2. Teaching at least one unit per year on natural resources. Natural resources are defined as Earth materials used by civilizations past and present. These may include:
 - a. Organic materials such as petroleum, natural gas, coal and oil shale.
 - b. Inorganic substances found in the Earth such as mineral ores, building stone and aggregate.
 - c. Energy resources from the Earth such as geothermal energy.
3. Teaching should include the scientific study of these resources, their origin, discovery, extraction and historic and present use. It should also include the preservation of the environment, reclamation, the conservation of resources, and the use of earth science knowledge in decision making.
4. Entries will include the teacher's philosophy and methods of the teaching of natural resources (both content and pedagogy), a description of the unit and two letters of recommendation – one from a colleague and one from an administrator.
5. Unit will be evaluated on depth and breadth of concepts (resource origin, discovery, processing, usage and reclamation), creativity of presentation and balanced treatment of information regarding societal need and environmental issues. Please include the length of the unit.

Entry Guidelines:

All documents must be provided and signatures are required on the cover sheet. Single or double-spaced lines on one side only of typed, ink jet, or laser quality printing required. All decisions of the judging panels are final.

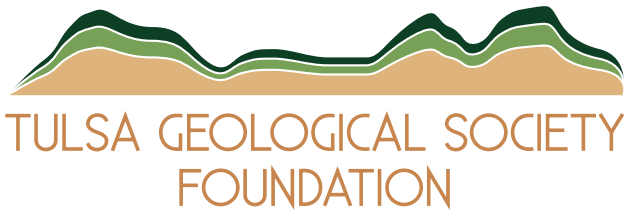
Please note the checklist below:

- Cover Page with original signatures.
- Teacher's philosophy (pedagogy and content) of the teaching of natural resources. (maximum two pages).
- Description of unit including unit objectives and the overall science program. (maximum three pages).
- Two letters of recommendation (one from administrator, one from colleague).

Do not submit multimedia such as videotapes, computer disks, photos, photo albums, or posters unless requested later.

Important Notice: All entries must be e-mailed to David Tschopp at dtschopp@tgs-fdn.org no later than August 1, 2017 or, if mailed, be postmarked by the same date. Membership in AAPG is not required for entry.

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Applicant Information Cover Page

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To Email Your Applicant Information Cover Page:

1. **Option 1:** First **Fill out the form** and **Save to your desktop**.
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Open the saved file, Fill out the form, and Save the file again.
2. To open your e-mail click **dtschopp@tgs-fdn.org**
3. **Attach** the saved form to your e-mail and click **Send**.

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Name _____ School _____
School Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Telephone _____ Work Telephone _____
E-mail _____
Current position and grades taught _____
Number of years teaching _____ Other subjects taught _____
Degree _____ Year earned _____ University/College _____

All information contained in this entry is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I understand that one third of the cash award will be applied to my school curricula under my sole direction and that two thirds is for my personal use. I further understand that I am responsible for all taxes due as a result of this portion of the award. If I am a winner I hereby give my consent to use my name and photograph for publicity purposes only. All other information received by the Tulsa Geological Society Foundation shall be confidential and not released without prior written consent of the Applicant, unless such release is required by law.

Signature _____ Date _____

All information contained in this entry is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct and represents the teacher's current assignment. The Tulsa Geological Society Foundation agrees to maintain

Administrator _____ Position _____ Date _____

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