



American Institute of Chemical Engineers Central Florida Section

To Whom It May Concern:

The American Institute of Chemical Engineers is a nonprofit organization which provides leadership to the chemical engineering profession. One of our goals is to support excellence in education. In the Central Florida Section of AIChE, we firmly believe in teaching children early about the fundamentals, joys, and possibilities in the fields of math and science. We understand there are many challenges that arise in teaching our youth. During the **2016-2017** school year, AIChE will sponsor the Polk County Science Fair, College Scholarships, an Elementary and Middle School Grant program, and the Secondary Math and Science Teachers of the Year awards.

Every year we like to recognize a **Teacher of the Year** in secondary science and math. Two Central Florida teachers will be chosen and honored at our **April 11, 2017** meeting. Please help us in our endeavor to honor your extraordinary science and math teachers by submitting a letter of recommendation along with the attached form to be filled out by the outstanding teacher. Each teacher honored will receive a plaque, a check payable to the teacher for \$1000, and a check for \$500 payable to the teacher's school. It is our hope that you will provide copies of these applications to your fellow mathematics and science teachers and encourage each other to apply. Those wishing to apply for these awards should submit their application by **March 1, 2017**.

We are excited about this award in addition to our other supporting programs and look forward to increasing the quality of science and math education in Central Florida. Any questions, comments, or suggestions as well as completed applications should be directed to the address listed on the application.

Thank you for your time and interest,

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Application for Math or Science Teacher of the Year

Eligibility: Must teach secondary math or science in a central Florida school (area defined as between latitudes 27°N and 29°N). A letter of recommendation is requested from a supervisor or colleague. Applications must be submitted by **March 1st, 2017**.

Contact Information

Name: _____
School: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email address: _____
Years teaching: _____ Years teaching in Central Florida: _____
Subject(s) taught: _____

Education and Credentials

Institution: _____
Degree: _____ Year: _____
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Degree: _____ Year: _____

Professional Affiliations:

Awards and Recognition:

Related Professional Experience:

On another page, please answer the following questions:

1. What needs to be done to improve science and math education in Florida?
2. What makes your teaching ability in science or math outstanding?
3. What is your greatest achievement as a science or math teacher?

Please remember to include a letter of recommendation from a supervisor or colleague.

Submit applications to Jamie Knez at: jknez@kemworks.com OR Jamie Knez
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