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Presidential Awardees receive a certificate signed by the President of the United States, a trip to Washington, D.C. to attend a series of recognition events and professional development opportunities, and a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation.

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Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching



The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) is the highest recognition that a kindergarten through 12th-grade mathematics or science teacher may receive for outstanding teaching in the United States. Established by Congress in 1983, the PAEMST program authorizes the President of the United States to bestow up to 108 awards each year.

Awards are given to mathematics and science teachers from each state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Department of Defense Education Activity schools, and the U.S. territories as a group (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

Awardees serve as models for their colleagues, inspiration to their communities, and leaders in the improvement of mathematics and science education.

Who may nominate?

Anyone—principals, teachers, parents, students, or members of the general public—may nominate exceptional mathematics and science (including computer science) teachers at www.paemst.org. To submit a nomination, the form requires the teacher's name, e-mail address, and school name. If a person knows more than one teacher worthy of this award, more than one nomination may be submitted.

Awards alternate each year between elementary and secondary teachers. Nominations of elementary school teachers (grades K-6) are due on April 1st in even numbered years, and nominations of secondary school teachers (grades 7-12) are due on April 1st in odd-numbered years.



Who may apply?

Teachers may initiate the application process themselves at www.paemst.org.

Each applicant must:

- Teach mathematics or science (including computer science) as part of his or her contracted teaching responsibilities at the K-12th grade level in a public (including charter) or private school;
- Hold at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution;
- Be a full-time employee of the school or school district as determined by state and district policies, with responsibilities for teaching students no less than 50% of the school's allotted instructional time;
- Have at least 5 years of full-time, K-12 mathematics or science teaching experience prior to the current academic school year;
- Teach in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Department of Defense Education Activity schools, or the U.S. territories as a group (American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands);
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident; and
- Not have received the PAEMST award at the national level in any prior competition or category.