



**Texas Wildlife Association Foundation, Inc.
And
San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc.
Announce the
Natural Resource-Excellence in Teaching Award**

Four (4) \$2,000 awards will be given to the winning teachers' schools.

Application Form

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Teachers receiving a Texas Wildlife Association Foundation, Inc. and San Antonio Livestock Exposition, Inc. Natural Resource-Excellence In Education Award must comply with the following guidelines:

- **Must teach full-time at an accredited K-12 school.**
- **At least one of the awards will go to one teacher from one school in the following counties:
Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Kendall, Kerr,
Medina, Real, Uvalde, Wilson, and Zavala.**
- **The other three are not restricted to any specific counties in Texas.**

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

- **One complete application form**
- **Essay question responses**
- **2 Letters of support (one from principal, school board, or administration and one from the community such as a parent or natural resource professional or volunteer.)**
- **Any sample lesson plans or curricula you wish to provide as an example (optional)**
- **All required documentation must be submitted in one packet**

SELECTION CRITERIA

- **Demonstrates use of innovative techniques and curricula to promote natural resource literacy among students.**
- **Ability to articulate the importance of conservation to the future of Texas and Texans and a demonstrated effort to equip students, the future decision-makers with critical thinking skills.**

Applications must be postmarked by December 1st.
Winners will be announced December 19th.

For additional information, please call Leslie Wittenburg (512) 680-6000 or e-mail lwittenburg@texas-wildlife.org.

Mail application and required information by December 1st to:

Texas Wildlife Association c/o Conservation Legacy
3660 Thousand Oaks Dr., Ste. 126
San Antonio Texas, 78247

Or email as one file to: lwittenburg@texas-wildlife.org

Applicant's Information

Applicant's Name: _____ County: _____

School Address: _____ Phone: _____

City, State, Zip _____ Email: _____

School: _____ ISD: _____

Grade Taught: _____ Number of Years Teaching: _____

Subject Taught: _____

Short Answer

Professional or Leadership Activities/Honors and Awards (Attach an additional page if necessary):

Short Essay - 500 words or less per question

On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following three (3) questions. Limit your responses to less than one page (or 500 words) for each of these questions:

1. How do you integrate natural resources into your classroom and teaching methods?
2. What pathways or mechanisms would you recommend to get more young Texans involved and interested in outdoor activities?
3. If selected, what will your school do with the award money?

Certification

I hereby certify that all information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give permission to the TWAF Conservation Legacy Scholarship Selection Committee to share this information for the purpose of review, recruitment, and public relations. I also authorize the Texas Wildlife Association and Texas Wildlife Association Foundation to publish my short essays as desired.

Signature: _____

Date: _____