



In October 2016, the most recent recipients of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST), from around the nation, were honored in Washington, D.C. by the President of the United States. The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) Program was established in 1983 by The White House and is sponsored by the National Science Foundation (NSF). The program identifies outstanding mathematics and science teachers, kindergarten through 12th grade, in each state and the four U.S. jurisdictions. These teachers will serve as models for their colleagues and will be leaders in the improvement of science and mathematics education. The award alternates each year between teachers of grades K-6 and teachers of grades 7-12. **Teachers of grades 7-12 are eligible for the Presidential Awards in 2017.**

Each Presidential Awardee will receive a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation. Each Awardee will also be invited to attend, along with a guest, recognition events in Washington, D.C. during one week, probably in the winter of 2017 or spring of 2018. These events will include an award ceremony, a Presidential Citation, meetings with leaders in government and education, sessions to share ideas and teaching experiences, and receptions and banquets to honor recipients.

This is an incredible opportunity to honor your outstanding secondary teachers who teach math or science. To nominate a teacher, go to <http://www.paemst.org> and click on *Nominations*. It is quick and easy. We hope you will nominate one or more secondary teachers, and **then encourage** them to complete and submit the application that they will download from the same web site.

The 2017 nomination form **must be filled out on line at <http://www.paemst.org> and clicking on the Nomination form link.** Nominations are open until April 1, 2017 and applications are due May 1, 2017. If you have problems with the electronic nomination form, it can also be downloaded and sent or emailed to:

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We will make sure they get entered electronically. If you have any questions, please contact either Sandy Schoff or David Gillam.

