

2011-2012 HISD-KBR Secondary Science Teacher Award Program

TEACHER APPLICATION FORM

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A. Applicant Information

Applicant's name: _____

E-mail address: _____

Number of years applicant has taught science: _____

Courses/Grades taught: _____

Award level for which applicant is applying: Middle School High School

School name: _____

School address: _____

Membership in Professional organizations:

B. Award-Specific Question

Has applicant ever received a HISD-KBR Secondary Science Teacher Award? yes no

If so, in what year? _____

C. Selection Criteria

- Applicant must be a teacher of record of a secondary-level science course and must teach a science lesson using course-appropriate HISD science curriculum.
- Applicant must not be a previous semi-finalist or winner of monetary rewards from previous KBR Science Award Programs.
- Applicant must be a highly qualified classroom science teacher who is employed no later than September 7, 2011 and who remains continuously employed in good standing with HISD through December 31, 2012.
- Applicant must provide evidence of the following:
 1. regular instruction that includes authentic student engagement;
 2. the use of higher-level questioning strategies;
 3. the use of HISD science curriculum documents to plan instruction; and
 4. attend a minimum of one Secondary Science Collaborative Meeting per semester.

D. Requirements and Timelines

Phase I

- There is a limit of four classroom science teacher entries per HISD secondary campus.
- Entries for the 2011-2012 KBR Awards Program must be sent via interdepartmental mail (to HISD, Route 10) and e-mailed to
 - Yolanda Evans, Middle School Curriculum Specialist, yevans1@houstonisd.org or
 - Morgan McKinley, High School Curriculum Specialist, mmckinle@houstonisd.org
 - **DEADLINE:** no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 9, 2012. Earlier submissions are permitted.
- Entries must include the following:
 - A signed Applicant Acknowledgement Form (see page 3 of this document).
 - A science lesson plan (hard and electronic copies) created by the applicant.
 - A video clip demonstrating the applicant teaching a science lesson.
 - The lesson cycle must consist of a beginning, middle, and end with a time limit not to exceed 30 minutes.
 - Format of the video entry must be compatible to or capable of being viewed on Windows Media Player. Science teachers are responsible for producing and submitting their own video clip.

Phase II

- The HISD Secondary Science Selection Committee will judge all entries and select four middle school and six high school teacher semi-finalists by February 29, 2011.
- Names of all semi-finalists will be forwarded for confirmation of all entry qualifications to the Secondary Science Curriculum Department Manager.

Phase III

- The HISD District Level KBR Engineers Selection Committee will judge the approved semi-finalist's entries (science lesson plans and video tapes) and select the middle school science teacher and the high school science teacher winners on April 4, 2012.
- The names of the middle school science teacher and the high school science teacher will be forwarded for confirmation of all entry qualifications to the Secondary Science Curriculum Department Manager by 5:00 p.m. on April 4, 2012.
- The KBR Awards Program and Dinner will be held on May 5, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at a location selected by the KBR Science Award Committee (by invitation only) where the middle school and high school winners will be officially announced.

Note: All applicants will receive a two-week notification via e-mail and school mail if any of the above dates are adjusted due to weather conditions or unforeseen events.

Applicant Acknowledgment Form

I understand the following:

1. If my application is selected to receive an award, the Houston Independent School District (HISD) reserves the right to reproduce information, photos, and other content in promotional material. By submitting material that contains images of students and other individuals, I assume complete responsibility for obtaining appropriate release consent forms (HISD Media Release Form) and permission to transfer these materials to HISD.
2. If my application is received and accepted, I certify that my principal has knowledge of my participation in the 2011-2012 KBR Secondary Science Teacher Award Program and that my principal fully supports the submission of my application.
3. If my application is received and accepted, it becomes the property of the Houston Independent School District. Applications will not be returned to applicants. Late or faxed applications will not be accepted. Completed applications must be received by Yolanda Evans, Middle School Curriculum Specialist, yevans1@houstonisd.org or Morgan McKinley, High School Curriculum specialist, mmckinle@houstonisd.org no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 9, 2012. Earlier submissions are permitted.

Applicant's signature

Date

Yolanda Evans, Middle School Curriculum Specialist
Morgan McKinley, High School Curriculum Specialist
Monica Kendall, Ed. D. Interim Secondary Science Manager