

GREEN AWARD

GrassRoots Efforts to Ecologize Neighborhoods

The GREEN Award Program Concept

The GREEN Award Program is sponsored by TTU's International Center for Arid and Semiarid Land Studies (ICASALS), with the purpose of encouraging K-12 teachers to create projects that will heighten student awareness of environmental issues. The program supports initiatives that make students stakeholders in ecological or environmental issues. A project should produce measurable benefits, be self-sustained, and have continuity in the future. It is desirable that the submitter's institution or community adopts the program. Projects should involve science, arts, or engineering, and contribute in unique and creative ways to the solution of environmental problems (land, water, and air) or ecosystem issues.

Guidelines:

1. Submit to ICASALS a concise description of the "Environmental Challenge" your team wishes to address. Choose a topic that addresses a local, regional, or global environmental challenge today, with potential impact for years to come.
2. Describe how the "Environmental Solution" will be carried out. If the project is inspired by a known environmental program or drawn from any existing source, explain how your project expands on the known idea, yet still demonstrates your own unique expertise or contribution.
 - a. Describe how students will contribute to the proposed project.
 - b. Describe the kinds of actions (rules, tasks, etc.) that will be needed to carry out the project.
3. The "Environmental Solution" proposal should be ½ to one page long, not including photos, tables, or drawings. You must cite any references to similar projects, and give credit to ideas provided by other people.
4. DEADLINE: The project proposal deadline has been extended to April 2, 2012.
(ICASALS, attn: Heather Bradley, Texas Tech University, International Cultural Center, Box 45004, Lubbock, TX, 79409-5004)

Eligible Participants:

- K-12 educators in West Texas who establish an environmental or ecological project involving his/her students.

Award:

- **1st Place: \$1,000**

Selection Criteria:

- Measurable project results, including (but not restricted to) the number of students actively involved, number or weight of materials recycled, amount of energy saved, and similar results.
- Sustainability of the project and its impact outside the classroom or school.
- Effective project execution and tracking of its development during one academic semester.

Selection Committee:

A committee composed of TTU faculty and the Office of International Affairs staff members will review project proposals and evaluate project results.

Past Winners:

Debbie Zak, Northridge Elementary in Frenship
Pamela Bibb, Murfee and Haynes Elementary
Sheila Carlin, Irons Middle School

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