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Duracell NSTA Scholarship Competition

Students wishing to compete for \$30,000 in scholarships may enter the 1993 Duracell NSTA Scholarship Competition. Sponsored by Duracell U.S.A. and administered by the National Science Teachers Association, the competition offers students in grades nine through twelve an opportunity to win up to \$10,000 in college scholarships.

To enter the competition, each student must design and build a working device powered by Duracell batteries. To qualify, each entry must include a descriptive two-page essay, wiring diagram and photos of the device accompanied by a completed Official Entry Form. The actual device should not be sent with the initial entry.

Devices should perform a practical function such as make life easier, educate, entertain, serve as a warning device, provide light or make sounds.

One first place award of a \$10,000 scholarship will be given, as well as five second place awards (\$3,000 scholarships), ten third place awards (\$500 scholarships) and 25 cash awards of \$100 each. The top six winners and their parents or teacher/sponsors will be flown to Kansas City, Missouri, for an awards banquet to be held during the 41st NSTA National Convention in April 1993. The teachers of the top six winners will receive personal computers. Everyone entering the competition will receive a free gift from Duracell U.S.A.

For more information or to obtain official entry forms, contact the Duracell/NSTA Scholarship Competition, National Science Teachers Association, 1742 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20009. Entries must be received by January 22, 1993.

—A.L.W.

Scholarships for Minority Undergraduate Physics Majors

The American Physical Society is offering \$2500 scholarships to qualified African-American, Hispanic-American or Native American students who plan to major in physics. Applicants must be in their last year of high school or first or second year of college. Scholarship awards will be based on a review of each student's personal statement, references, transcripts and standardized test scores.

Awardees will receive \$2000 of each \$2500 scholarship. The remainder will go to the host college or university for the suggested purpose of furthering the education of minority physics majors there.

To obtain an application packet, contact the APS Minorities Scholarship Program, The American Chemical Society, 335 E. 45th St., New York, NY 10017-3483, ph. (212) 682-7341. Applications must be received by February 26, 1993.

—J.M.H.