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## **IAS Excellence in Science Teaching Award Nominations**

The Iowa Academy of Science is currently accepting nominations for its Excellence in Science Teaching Awards. Each year, Iowa teachers are chosen to receive the award in each of seven categories: biology, chemistry, earth science, physics, elementary science, junior high science and general/multiple science.

The awards recognize excellence in science teaching and are open to all elementary and secondary teachers who have at least half-time science responsibility. The General/Multiple Science category was established to include those who teach interdisciplinary courses or more than one science discipline in a single or separate courses.

Letters of nomination must include the following: category; nominee's name, school and school address; nominator's name, school address, home and office telephone numbers. Self nominations are not permitted. A nomination packet will be sent to each nominator requesting additional information to aid the selection committee in its decision. The deadline for completed nomination packets is January 2, 1990, and completed nominations remain active for two years. Letters of nomination may be sent to Dr. Roy D. Unruh, Director, ESTA Program, Iowa Academy of Science, P.O. Box 868, Cedar Falls, IA 50613.

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## **Eighth Annual Duracell NSTA Scholarship Competition**

Students wishing to compete for \$30,000 in scholarships may enter the 1990 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.

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 5 p.m. February 2, 1990.