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## Science Notes - NEWEST, NEWMAST and SSIP Activities

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# SCIENCE NOTES

## NEWEST, NEWMAST and SSIP Activities

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) are sponsoring activities in their NEWEST, NEWMAST and SSIP programs.

NEWEST (NASA Educational Workshops for Elementary School Teachers) makes awards to elementary school teachers (grades one through six) in all disciplines. Selected teachers are awarded a two-week, expense-paid workshop at a NASA field center focusing on current NASA programs. During the workshop, teachers have the opportunity to meet with scientists, technicians and educational specialists and are instructed in ways of applying their experiences to their current elementary curriculum.

NEWMAST (NASA Educational Workshops for Math And Science Teachers) offers similar awards to teachers of grades 7-12 in the areas of math, science and technology. Like the NEWEST award winners, the NEWMAST award recipients receive a two-week, expense-paid workshop at a NASA field center. Applications must be submitted by March 9, 1990. Recipients are chosen on the basis of educational background, teaching experience and an essay explaining how the selection for NEWMAST will benefit the applicant's students, colleagues and community.

SSIP (Space-Science Student Involvement Program) is currently accepting materials for its annual competition. Included in the categories of competition are Space Station Proposal, Zero-Gravity Research Facility Proposal, Wind Tunnel Proposal, School Newspaper Competition and Mars Settlement Illustration. Competitions are available for students in grades 6-8 and 9-12.

For information concerning any of the above programs, contact NSTA-SST, 5110 Roanoke Place, Suite 101, College Park, MD 20740.

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