

Housing Education and Research Association (HERA)

Goodheart-Willcox Secondary Education Housing Teaching Award 2008

PURPOSE

The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding housing education efforts at the secondary education level that demonstrate creative ways to teach and involve students in the area of housing education. This could be in the form of a unique housing education activity that is part of a semester long curriculum in housing or other subject matter area, or as a related student activity, such as a Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) club group. The housing activity undertaken must concentrate on a housing topic (such as renting, home purchasing, or other housing issue*) and not focus exclusively on interior design. The activity may be one that reaches beyond the classroom to community groups, or it may involve a partnership or interdisciplinary approach between secondary classes.

+ Housing issues may include energy, air quality, safety, special needs, green home products, sustainable design, universal design, lead poisoning, etc.

AWARD

One \$300 national award may be awarded to a secondary education teacher or team. The award is being provided by Goodheart-Willcox Publishers (www.g-w.com)

ELIGIBILITY

1. The application may be submitted by an individual or a teaching team. Self nominations are encouraged.
2. The activity must currently be a part of the curriculum at the school.
3. The activity must have taken place within the past two years.

APPLICATION

The application should include:

1. Application form.
2. Project or activity outline – Limit to four (4) double-spaced typed pages.
 - a. Introduction
 - b. Project or activity description – content and materials, partnerships, sponsorships, unique delivery method, student involvement.
 - c. Evaluation and/or impact – evaluation methods, known results or impacts, ease of replication at other schools, publicity.

3. Supporting materials – lesson guide, learning activities, list of audio/visuals used, planning materials, student generated materials, publicity materials.

JUDGING CRITERIA

1. Completeness of the project packet
2. Stated criteria for the award are met
3. Involvement of the students
4. Innovative approaches to teaching housing to secondary students are demonstrated
5. Partnerships formed, community involvement and/or interdisciplinary approach
6. Project or activity evaluation and impact
7. Support materials
8. Potential for replication in other schools

PROCEDURE

1. Submit one copy of the project outline with support materials and four (4) copies of the completed general application form.
2. Mail the materials postmarked no later than **April 30, 2008** to:

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Application Form

Deadline - April 30, 2008

Nominee Information:

Date _____

Name(s) _____

School _____

Contact:

Address _____

Home Phone _____

Office Phone _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Teaching Activity:

Brief description of the teaching project or activity:

Course in which the activity takes place _____

Number of students involved in the activity _____

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