

SIX TENNESSEE FINALISTS SELECTED FOR PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS PROGRAM

Six Tennessee classroom teachers will represent their profession as state finalists in the 1985 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching program.

Selected for their outstanding programs in secondary mathematics are: Susan Keeble, Maryville High School; Nancy Keese, Smyrna High School; and Jerry O'Neal, Oak Ridge High School.

State winners from the science teaching field are: Tony L. Beasley, Hume Fogg Academic School, Metro-Nashville; William M. Marking, Raleigh Egypt High School, Memphis; and George O. Taylor, Jr., The Baylor School, Chattanooga.

Finalists from Tennessee and other states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are candidates for the 1985 Presidential Awards of Excellence. A total of 104 Presidential Awards winners — one math teacher and one science teacher from each participating state and territory — will be chosen by a national selection committee.

The National Awards Committee will announce the final teacher selections in August. A \$5,000 grant from the National Science Foundation will be awarded to each national winner's school to be used under the teacher's direction for mathematics or science instruction. The Presidential Awards program, now in its third year, is administered by the National Science Teachers Association. The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, under a subcontract, has responsibility for the mathematics component of the program.

To be eligible for nomination, a teacher must spend at least half of his or her time teaching math or science to seventh to twelfth graders in a public or private school. The candidates are evaluated on their classroom performance, effect on students, and their personal and professional goals.

Tennessee Academy Of Science Announces Distinguished Teacher Awards For 1985

The Teacher Awards Committee, Tennessee Academy of Science, annually selects one outstanding teacher from each of the grand divisions of the State for special recognition. The Distinguished Science Teacher Awards for 1985 were presented to the following teachers at a special presentation in Nashville April 19, 1985.

EAST

Tom Ferguson
Biology Teacher
Farragut High School
Knoxville, TN 37922

MIDDLE

Ron Robertson
Chemistry Teacher
Dickson County High School
Dickson, TN.

WEST

Linda Barrett
Biology & Chemistry Teacher
Camden Central High School
Camden, TN 38320

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