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SECONDARY SCHOOL CHEMISTRY TEACHER AWARD

REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2012

The New England Institute of Chemists (NEIC) is now seeking nominations for its annual **Secondary School Chemistry Teacher Award**. The award recognizes outstanding secondary school chemistry teachers in New England who have also fostered an interest in chemistry through outreach programs and extracurricular activities.

The candidate must be currently teaching chemistry in a secondary school in one of the six New England States. We are seeking teachers who have encouraged an interest in the field of chemistry through innovative and inspirational teaching, improved the image of chemists and chemistry, promoted extracurricular activities relevant to chemistry, and offered opportunities to students who might otherwise miss the "chemistry" experience.

The awardee will receive a plaque and be honored at the annual NEIC Awards Dinner, which will be held this year at Brandeis University on Thursday, April 26, 2012. At the dinner the NEIC also presents the American Institute of Chemists Foundation Student Award to outstanding college seniors and graduate students at the departments of chemistry, chemical engineering, and biochemistry from New England colleges and universities.

To facilitate the nomination process, the nominator need only mail or e-mail a letter with the candidate's mailing address and telephone number, where he/she heard about the award, and up to one page describing why the candidate is deserving of the award. The NEIC will contact the candidate directly to obtain supporting bibliographic information. Nominations are requested by **March 1, 2012**.

The NEIC Executive Board and its committee chairmen will select, at its discretion, one awardee from each New England state. The NEIC has limited funds available to offset out-of-pocket travel expenses to attend the dinner if the awardee is from outside the Boston area. Nominations should be mailed to Dr. Lisa A. Zuccarelli, Co-Chair Secondary School Awards Committee, Department of Chemistry, Salve Regina University, Newport, RI 02840-4192, or sent by e-mail to lisa.zuccarelli@salve.edu.