

MINERALS EDUCATION COALITION

STUDENT CHAPTER EDUCATION OUTREACH AWARD SME

Guidelines and Procedures



OVERVIEW	The MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award is for the Student Chapter's MEC Program and/or other educational outreach activities. This award recognizes the outstanding efforts of an SME Student Chapter on a college campus and their faculty and industry advisors for their accomplishments in community outreach and mining/mineral education to serve the mission of the MEC.	
TIMELINE	The MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award typically adheres to the following timeline:	
	April 1	Call for nominations
	June 1	Nomination deadline
	June 30	Committee chair provides qualified applications to members of committee
	July 15	First round of voting complete; committee chair schedules conference call to discuss results (if needed)
	July 25	Second round of voting complete (if needed)
	August 1	Recipient name and citation provided to awards coordinator
	September 15	Recipient is notified
	SME Annual Conference & Expo	Award is presented
NOMINATIONS	To be considered for the MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award, a student chapter will submit an application through the SME awards process answering the questions about the Chapter's MEC Program and/or other educational outreach activities.	
ADMINISTRATION	The MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award is administered by the SME Foundation Award Committee. The SME Foundation Award Committee consists of seven volunteer members, including the SME Foundation President-Elect as Committee Chair, two SME Foundation Trustees, the MEC Chair, MEC Past Chair, MEC Vice Chair and a representative from a previous Miners Give Back Award Winning section.	
SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS	 Nominations must be submitted in accordance with the guidelines provided on the award nomination form, which may be downloaded here: <u>smenet.org/awards-recognition</u> prior to June 1. A description of the Chapter's educational outreach efforts to K-12 students and teachers A description of the Chapter's educational outreach efforts to the general public A description of support that the Chapter has provided to the educational outreach efforts of any other SME student chapter or SME section. A description of any support that the Chapter has provided to the educational outreach efforts of MEC programs such as the MEC website and curriculum, or MEC outreach and scouting events. 	



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AWARD	The MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award will consist of a framed certificate done in-house and a \$250 check to the Student Chapter. The winning chapter also receives a travel allowance of up to \$500 to offset travel expenses related to the SME Annual Conference & Expo and one ticket to the SME Foundation Gala Dinner.	
PRESENTATION OF AWARD	The MEC Student Chapter Award will be presented at the SME Foundation Gala Dinner, held in conjunction with the SME Annual Conference & Expo. The recipient will receive one complimentary ticket to this event.	
FUNDING	All necessary expenses incurred with regards to production and presentation of the MEC Student Chapter Award shall be the financial responsibility of the Minerals Education Coalition.	
AMENDMENTS	These guidelines may be amended by the SME Foundation Award Committee, subject to the approval of the Minerals Education Coalition Committee, SME Foundation Trustees and SME Board of Directors. Any such amendments must be reflected in all appropriate award documentation.	
QUESTIONS	Questions may be directed to: Awards Coordinator Email: <u>awards@smenet.org</u> or SME Member Services Department Phone: 303-948-4200	