



MINERALS EDUCATION COALITION

MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award

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:

Due Date	Task	
June 1	Deadline to submit application form through SME awards process	
July 30	First round of voting complete; committee chair schedules conference call to discuss results (if needed)	
August 15	Second round of voting complete (if needed)	
September 1	Recipient name and citation provided to SME awards coordinator.	
September 15	Recipient is notified	
SME Annual Conference & Expo	Award is presented at the SME/AIME Awards Banquet	

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 MEC Awards Sub-Committee under the direction of the Minerals Education Coalition Committee (MECC). The MEC Awards Sub-Committee consists of the Vice-Chair of the MECC (serving as Chair), the MEC Chair and MEC Past Chair, and other members of the MECC as designated by the MECC Chair.

Selection MEC’s receipt of an uploaded, completed form and accompanying attachments, up to five pages long, through the SME Awards online process prior to June 1, 2021.

- 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, MEC outreach and scouting events, or Move Mining and Move Mining Next Gen.

Award The MEC Student Chapter Education Outreach Award will consist of a framed certificate done in-house, a \$250 check to the Student Chapter, and up to two tickets to the SME/AIME Awards Banquet with VIP seating. The winning chapter

also receives a travel allowance of up to \$500 to offset travel expenses related to the SME Annual Conference & Expo.

Presentation of the Award The MEC Student Chapter Award will be presented at the SME/AIME Awards Banquet, held in conjunction with SME's Annual Conference & Expo.

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 MEC Awards Sub-Committee, subject to the approval of the Minerals Education Coalition, 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:
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