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200 Teachers Selected to Attend the National Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy

Academy has equipped 2,600 teachers with new tools to teach math and science

- More than 1,500 teachers from 50 states applied at www.sendmyteacher.com
- 400 teachers to be trained this summer at two additional Academies

IRVING, Texas--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The [Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy](#) today announced the selection of 200 elementary school teachers from across the country to enhance their math and science teaching skills through an innovative development program at the national Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy. This year's national academy will be held at Liberty Science Center in Jersey City, New Jersey.

An additional 400 teachers will be selected later this spring to attend programs in Houston and New Orleans.

The selection of the teachers from applications submitted at www.sendmyteacher.com marks the third year that teachers from all 50 states have been chosen to participate in the professional development program that began six years ago.

"Through our support of math and science educational programs, ExxonMobil is investing in the development of a highly skilled workforce to help our nation remain globally competitive," said Suzanne McCarron, general manager, public and government affairs, Exxon Mobil Corporation. "Programs like the [Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy](#) enable us to give today's teachers the tools they need to engage students in math and science and open their eyes to the possibility of a career in these fields."

The Academy is an intensive one-week, all-expense-paid professional development program designed to help teachers develop innovative math and science teaching skills. The participants were selected by a panel of educators from the [National Council of Teachers of Mathematics](#) and the [National Science Teachers Association](#) based on their qualifications, dedication to inspiring students at an early age and overall commitment to enhancing the teaching profession.

In 2005, ExxonMobil partnered with Mickelson and his wife, Amy, the National Science Teachers Association and Math Solutions to launch the program, which has trained more than 2,600 teachers at one of the three annual Academies, which will be held this summer in New Jersey, Texas and Louisiana.

"We're excited to announce the selection of the teachers today and encouraged by the overwhelmingly positive response we have received from Academy graduates," said

Mickelson. "Working with ExxonMobil, we designed the academy to be an exciting learning experience that will provide more teachers with tools to inspire students in these critical areas."

The Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy is part of a long-term commitment to education by ExxonMobil. The company supports initiatives that encourage students to take an active interest in careers in the math and science fields, support the professional development of highly qualified teachers and promote involvement of women and minorities students.

In 2010, ExxonMobil partnered with the White House to encourage STEM education advances through Change the Equation, an initiative to mobilize corporate, government support to boost science, technology and math education.

For a complete list of teachers selected to attend the 2011 Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy, visit www.sendmyteacher.com.

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[Phil and Amy Mickelson Foundation](#)

Phil and his wife, Amy, teamed up with the ExxonMobil Foundation to develop a new and innovative program to improve science and math education in elementary schools. The program -- [The Mickelson ExxonMobil Teachers Academy](#) -- offers advanced training in science and mathematics instruction for elementary school teachers chosen from the communities around the country where Mickelson will be playing tournaments. Web site: www.PhilMickelson.com.

National Science Teachers Association

The Arlington, VA-based National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), www.nsta.org, is the largest professional organization in the world promoting excellence and innovation in science teaching and learning for all. NSTA's current membership includes more than 60,000 science teachers, science supervisors, administrators, scientists, business and industry representatives, and others involved in science education.

Math Solutions

Math Solutions, founded in 1984, has provided a wide range of professional development services and resource materials to more than 500 districts, in 47 states, helping more than 100,000 teachers and administrators across the country. Web site: www.mathsolutions.com.

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