# General Information

This document contains a spell-check macro, and you must enable macros to use it. For help completing this application, eligibility requirements, or for writing ideas, please see our [Environmental Educator Application Instructions](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/assistance/events/teea/EE-award-application-instructions.pdf). If you don’t want to complete this application in Word, we have it available [online](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/p2/events/teea/ee-application).

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| Educator Information |
| Educator’s Name:       | Educator’s Title:       |
| Mailing Address:       |
| City:       | State:       | ZIP Code:       |
| Daytime Phone:       | Alternative Phone:       |
| Email Address:       |
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| Contact Information |
| Contact Person:       |
| Contact Title:       |
| Daytime Phone:       | Alternate Phone:       |
| Email Address:       |
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| School/Organization Information |
| Name:       |
| Physical Address:       |
| City:       | State:       | ZIP Code:       |
| Website:       |
| Facebook Address:       |
| Phone:       |

# Recognition of Award Winner

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality will celebrate the Environmental Educator of the Year Award winner, along with the Excellence Awards winners, at a banquet held in May. The award sponsor, Waste Management of Texas, Inc. (WMTX), will provide a $2,500 cash donation directly to the school or organization where the winning educator works or volunteers to further their environmental efforts. Thank you to WMTX for providing the donation.

# Application Section

Respond to each question in this section without exceeding the word limit. If a question does not pertain to the educator, explain why (instead of leaving it blank).

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| 1. Describe the educator’s experience in teaching environmental education, including who they taught, the number taught, and the number of years the educator taught them. (200 words or less)      |
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| 2. What environmental topics does the educator cover, and how does the environment benefit because of this educator? (300 words or less)      |
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| 3. How does the educator make learning about the environment unique, fun, and exciting? Provide examples of specific ideas, techniques, and/or collaborations. (200 words or less)      |
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| 4. How does the educator inspire their audience to be environmental stewards beyond the classroom? How does the educator inspire others in the community to be stewards of the environment? (200 words or less)      |
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| 5. What does the educator do to share their knowledge/lesson/techniques/etc. with other educators? Is the educator a mentor for other educators? (200 words or less)      |
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| 6. Describe the educator’s commitment to advancing their environmental education curriculum. (200 words or less)      |
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| 7. Describe a project or initiative that the educator has been involved with that demonstrates how they go above and beyond standard teaching practices. How does this project/initiative connect the educator’s audience to the environment? What positive changes has the educator seen in his/her audiences’ behavior towards protecting the environment? (300 words or less)      |
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| 8. How does the educator fund resources for environmental education? Is the educator’s work limited by funding opportunities? (200 words or less)      |
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| 9. How did you hear about the Environmental Educator of the Year Award? (15 words or less)      |

Once you complete the application:

1. Run spell check by clicking this button:
2. Save it to your computer.
3. Send the application to awards@tceq.texas.gov as a Word document. Make sure to send it to us by the deadline specified on [www.TEEA.org](http://www.TEEA.org).