

Science Teachers' Association of Ontario



Terms of Reference for STAO/APSQ Awards

LIFE MEMBER AWARD

This is the most prestigious award given by STAO/APSQ and is offered as a means of recognizing outstanding and sustained service to STAO/APSQ over a period of at least 15 years.

In selecting the recipient, the committee considers primarily the nominee's significant contributions to STAO/APSQ over a long period of time.

One or more Life Member Awards may be presented each year.

Each recipient of the award will receive a framed certificate presented at a subsequent STAO/APSQ annual conference or other appropriate event at which the recipient is to be honoured. If the award is presented at the STAO/APSQ Annual Conference, one night's accommodation, the conference registration, the Celebration Event at which the award is given, and travel expenses will be paid by STAO/APSQ. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, the recipient's guest may be invited to attend the presentation.

IRWIN TALESNICK AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING OF SCIENCE

This award is named in honour of Mr. Irwin Talesnick, Professor Emeritus of Queen's University. Mr. Talesnick is a long time supporter of STAO/APSQ and managed the STAO/APSQ Resource Centre for many years.

This award is offered as a means of recognizing excellence in the teaching of science in Ontario.

One or more of these awards may be given each year.

In selecting the recipient(s) of the award, the committee will consider primarily the nominee's sustained, exemplary performance as a teacher of science at any level. Unique and/or extraordinary accomplishments in science teaching are a requirement of the nominee.

Each recipient of the award will receive a framed certificate presented at a subsequent STAO/APSQ annual conference or other appropriate event at which the recipient is to be honoured. If the award is presented at the STAO/APSQ Annual Conference, one night's accommodation, the conference registration, the Celebration Event at which the award is given, and travel expenses will be paid by STAO/APSQ. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, the recipient's guest may be invited to attend the presentation.

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JACK BELL AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN SCIENCE EDUCATION

This award is named in honour of Mr. Jack Bell, who provided liaison between STAO/APSQ and the Ministry of Education for many years.

This award is to be presented to STAO/APSQ members who have demonstrated outstanding and sustained leadership in science education in Ontario over a period of many years. The prime consideration in selecting the recipient of this award is the direct and substantial contribution to the large scale improvement of science education at the elementary, secondary or post-secondary level in Ontario.

One or more of these awards can be presented in any academic year.

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STAO/APSQ EMERITUS AWARD

This award is reserved for a STAO/APSQ member upon retirement. The STAO/APSQ Emeritus Award recognizes exemplary leadership and excellence in the teaching of science over a career. These contributions may have occurred at the local, provincial or national level.

The award, consisting of a framed certificate, will be presented to the recipient by the STAO/APSQ President or designate at the retirement function for the recipient or at some other suitable occasion.

One or more of these awards can be presented in any academic year.

STAO/APSQ MERIT AWARD

The STAO/APSQ Merit Award recognizes a member's leadership and excellence in the teaching of science. The award may recognize a single outstanding accomplishment or may recognize excellence and leadership over a period of time.

One or more of these awards can be presented in any academic year.

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The recipient of this award will receive a framed certificate that recognizes the specific accomplishment. The award will be presented to the recipient at a suitable occasion at which the recipient is recognized.

STAO/APSQ SERVICE AWARD

The STAO/APSQ Service Award is given to a member in recognition of outstanding contributions to STAO/APSQ.

The recipient of this award will receive a framed certificate that is presented at a suitable occasion as determined by the Awards Committee.

A member may receive this award once only.

One or more of these awards can be presented in any academic year.