



2011 Secondary Special Awards Overview

Since the George Washington Carver Science Fair began in 1979, individuals and organizations have honored scientific achievement through Special Awards. The 2011 Carver Fair includes thirty-two Elementary Special Awards, representing generous individuals, organizations, and opportunities for student recognition. For more information about the George Washington Carver Science Fair Special Awards, please contact Nancy Peter, Special Awards Chairperson, at 215-898-0640 or npeter@sp2.upenn.edu.

Award Name	Presenting Organization	Award Description	Population for Award	Achievement(s) for Award
Arthur Garner Achievement Award	Delaware Valley Mensa. Mensa is an international organization whose sole requirement for eligibility is to score in the top 2% of any standardized intelligence test. dvm.us.mensa.org/	\$100 Savings Bond, presentation at meeting, attendance at picnic (1 award)	All students, individuals or teams	Efforts to identify and foster human intelligence, for the benefit of humanity, involving research into the characteristics and use of intelligence
Clara Tolbert Award	Clara Tolbert. Clara Tolbert retired from the School District of Philadelphia, where she coordinated the city's Urban Systemic Initiative.	\$300 (1 award/team)	All team projects (split between team members)	Exceptional teamwork and the integration of math and science
Cobbs Creek Community Environmental Education Center Award	Cobbs Creek Community EE Center. CCCEEC is an environmental education center that exists for the purpose of educating the southwest community of Philadelphia in the areas of environmental awareness and actions of sustainability. cobbscreekcenter.org/	\$100 gift certificate To Borders Books (1 award)	Projects related to environmental science	Exemplary investigation of an environmental issue
Drexel Med Microbiology & Immunology Award	Drexel University College of Medicine: The Department of Microbiology and Immunology and the Institute for Molecular Medicine and Infectious Disease at Drexel University College of Medicine supports training future biomedical scientists through graduate and postdoctoral studies and research internships for high school and college students. www.drexelmed.edu/	\$ 100 gift certificate (2 awards)	All students	This award recognizes a deep or developing interest in microbiology or immunology combined with the creative pursuit of a challenging research problem
Educational Advancement Alliance Award for Excellence in Science	Educational Advancement Alliance. EAA provides programs designed to supplement and enrich the educational environment and experiences of students in the School District of Philadelphia. eaalliance.org/main/	Telescopes and gift certificates (6 awards)	One 7 th , 8 th , 9 th , 10th, 11th and 12th grade student	Exemplary investigation of issues related to behavioral/social science, biochemistry, medicine/health, and earth/space.

Forest Service Youth Science Award	USDA Forest Service: The research and development arm of the USDA Forest Service works at the forefront of science that improves the health and use of our nation's forest and grasslands. www.fs.fed.us/	Plaque and duffle bag (3 awards)	7th, 8th, and 9th grade student	this awards is presented in recognition of an outstanding exhibit and presentation related to the natural environment
Grand Hank Science Award in Chemistry	Grand Hank Productions, Incorporated. Grand Hank Productions Inc. is a multimedia educational production company, established to provide educational training and instruction to students, educators, and administrators of grades K-12. www.grandhank.com/	\$100 cash award	Individual chemistry projects in grades 7 – 8	A project that shows creativity and promising potential in chemistry
Heritage Keeper Award	Adam Hymans	\$100 gift card (1 award)	9th-12th grade individual projects project	The Heritage Keeper Award recognizes an exemplary project that connects scientific inquiry with elements of cultural heritage such as history, language, or the arts.
Humane Science Award	Women's Humane Society. The purpose of the Women's Humane Society is to provide outstanding service to prevent cruelty to animals through education, legislation, sheltering, and law enforcement. www.whspets.org/	\$100 First place \$50 Second place, plus logo pins (2 awards)	All students	For the student who treats his or her animals in a humane fashion, finds alternative methods to animal research, or designs a project that would benefit animals
Oscar Harris Award	Philadelphia Area Space Alliance. PSA promotes the exploration and habitation of space and the objects in it. It is an umbrella organization of area space activists who would like to open that frontier to everyone. pasa01.tripod.com/	Certificate, gifts, and \$50 (1 award)	All students except teams	Anything that, in the opinion of our judge(s) that will promote the science and technology that can lead to our goal of human habitation of space and the bodies in it.
Math/Science Partnership Award	School District of Philadelphia. The School District of Philadelphia is the eighth largest school district in the nation, by enrollment. Located in a historic and culturally rich setting, we are a racially and ethnically diverse community committed to education. www.phila.k12.pa.us/	Field microscope & certificate (6 awards)	One award for each grade (6 awards)	Achievement in science and math
MedImmune Advancing Science for Better Health Award	MedImmune. MedImmune aims to be the next revolutionary force in biotechnology by delivering life-changing products, industry-leading performance, and a tireless commitment to improving patient health. http://www.medimmune.com/	\$100 gift certificate	One junior or senior in Biochemistry, Environmental Sciences (Life), Medicine and Health, Microbiology, Biological Sciences, or Gerontology.	Best project with biological relevance to the causes, treatment and prevention of human disease. Project should exemplify values core to MedImmune philosophy; high integrity, collaboration, entrepreneurial spirit and strong work ethic
Naval Science Award	Naval Science Awards Program. The Naval Science Awards Program (NSAP) is a U.S. Navy and Marine Corps program that encourages the nation's students to develop and retain an interest in science and engineering. ononline.onr.navy.mil/nsa/nsa.nsa	Certificate, medal, and \$50 recognition award (10 awards)	All students	Exemplary scientific thought, clarity, creativity, and skill, particularly as they may be applied to naval science

PhACT Critical Thinking Award	Philadelphia Association for Critical Thinking. PhACT loves tough questions, but maintains that there is only one way to find trustworthy answers: to use reason and to experiment. PhACT rejects wishful thinking, anecdotes, revelation, unsupported authority, and "everybody knows." They ask only, "What are the facts and what can we deduce from them?" http://www.phact.org/index.php	\$100 (2 awards)	7th-9th graders	Individuals or teams who demonstrate exemplary critical thinking skills
Temple Scholar Award	Temple University. Founded in 1884, Temple University is a national center of excellence in teaching and research with an international presence. www.temple.edu/	Temple scholarship of \$2500 per year; renewable for 4 years (2 awards)	Best of fair or first prize 11th grade medal winners; graduate in top 25% of class with 3.0 GPA or better; SAT's 1000 or higher; must apply to Temple, etc.	Achievement in science or math
Warren and Emma G. Chew Award	Cobbs Creek Community EE Center. CCCEEC is an environmental education center that exists for the purpose of educating the southwest community of Philadelphia in the areas of environmental awareness and actions of sustainability. cobbscreekcenter.org/	\$100 gift certificate To Borders Books (1 award)	All students	A project that shows diligent effort and promising potential.