

## “ANGELA” AWARD

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### PROGRAM SUMMARY

This award honors one female student in grades 5-8, who is involved in or has a strong connection to science. The award has been established in honor of Gerry Wheeler and his outstanding dedication to NSTA and lifelong commitment to science education.

### AWARD

The awardee will be honored at the Teachers Awards Banquet at the NSTA National Conference. This award consists of a \$1,000 US EE Savings Bond or Canada Savings Bond purchased for the equivalent issue price.

### ELIGIBILITY

This award is open to any female student in grades 5 – 8, who is a resident of the United States, US Territories, or Canada, and are enrolled full time in public, private, or home school. NSTA employees, NSTA Board and Council members, award judges and their immediate families are not eligible to apply.

### CRITERIA FOR JUDGING

Excellence of involvement or strong connection to science is the main criteria for selection of the recipient.

- ★ Involvement or a strong connection to science
- ★ Evidence of sustained accomplishments or progress/interest in science
- ★ Quality of support material

### REQUIREMENTS

- ★ Letter of nomination from teacher, parent, school administrator, or community leader
- ★ An essay about the student’s interest or involvement in science (up to 500 words)
- ★ Student may include in essay future aspirations in science
- ★ Two letters of support, from individuals who are familiar with the applicants’ science related activities. Letters must not exceed two pages each, and must accompany packet.
- ★ Up to two pages of support materials are required; e.g. photographs, news articles, science projects, etc. . .
- ★ Label each section; number each page

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Send your original application, supporting materials to:**

Dr. Gerry Wheeler “Angela” Award  
NSTA  
1840 Wilson Boulevard  
Arlington, VA 22201-3000

Questions? Please visit our website at [www.nsta.org/faraday](http://www.nsta.org/faraday) or e-mail [awards@nsta.org](mailto:awards@nsta.org).

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### CHECKLIST

Occasionally we receive entries that are incomplete or in which the applicant did not follow the specified guidelines. Entries that do not follow the stated rules for submission are disqualified, regardless of the merit or innovation of the entry. Make sure you and a colleague review the checklist below before sending in your application so you can ensure that your efforts will not be disqualified. Ensure that your application communicates the information you intend. Don't forget to check for correct spelling. All written components should be typed and double spaced, on standard 8-1/2" x 11" white paper, with 1" margins. The font is a standard 12-point size or larger. Make sure your application is bound together with a heavy-duty staple or binder clip (no presentation binders). If you have questions regarding your application, please e-mail [awards@nsta.org](mailto:awards@nsta.org).

#### **Complete the list, sign it, and attach it to your application. Entry includes**

- Letter of nomination from teacher, parent, school administrator, or community leader
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Please be advised that you may apply for more than one award; however, you are eligible to win only one NSTA award per year. Each application must be based on a unique program and process. Submission of the same idea and materials to different NSTA award programs will result in the disqualification of all applications. If your idea or project has received an NSTA award in the past, that idea or project is not eligible to receive an additional award.

If you are selected to receive an award, NSTA must request and receive your social security number to issue a 1099 form to you. If your program is currently grant funded, confirm that you, as an individual, are eligible to receive a cash award. Your application will not be returned and becomes the property of NSTA. If you have received an award for this project from another provider, you must notify NSTA.

If your application is selected to receive an award, NSTA reserves the right to reproduce information/photos/other content in promotional materials and on the NSTA website. By submitting materials that contain images of students and other individuals, you assume complete responsibility for obtaining appropriate release consent forms and permission to transfer these materials to NSTA.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Angela Award Official Scoring Guide

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home: City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ (grade 5-8)

Criteria							Score
Completed application with signature.							YES or NO
Criteria	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	Superior	Weight	Score
500 word essay about their interests or involvement in science (may include future aspirations)	1	2	3	4	5	X 2	
2 Letters of support, up to 3 pages (relationship to applicant)	1	2	3	4	5	X 2	
Support materials, up to 2 pages	1	2	3	4	5	X 1	
Letter of Nomination (quality)	1	2	3	4	5	X 1	
<b>Total</b>							

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Judge: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_