

SOUTHERN UNION CONFERENCE INNOVATIVE TEACHING AWARD

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD

The **Innovative Teaching Award (ITA)** has been approved by the Southern Union Conference K-12 Board of Education to recognize creative teachers (K-12). These teachers are recognized for their ability to:

- motivate students from a wide range of backgrounds and abilities
- stimulate student thinking
- involve students in active learning
- keep current with changing educational trends
- develop and implement creative approaches to curriculum presentation

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must be currently employed in a Seventh-day Adventist school within the Southern Union Conference.

Applicants must hold current denominational certification and be conference employed.

AWARD AMOUNT

An Innovative Teaching Award of \$500 may be given to one teacher in each conference who implements a creative teaching plan. Funding for the award is divided equally by the local conference office of education and the Southern Union Conference Office of Education.

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Applicants will submit a completed application.

Application and proposal forms are available to all K-12 conference-employed teachers through the union and local conference offices of education.

Applicants will submit completed application forms and proposals to the local conference office of education by **April 1**. The conference superintendent of schools will verify eligibility.

**SELECTION
COMMITTEE**

The local conference office of education will select a committee to review the applications and determine the ITA recipient by June 1. Notification of the selection will be forwarded to the Southern Union Conference Office of Education by July 1.

The selection committee will be composed of educators, administrators, and laypersons.

All awards will be announced at the Fall Teachers' Convention.

3. Describe student involvement in the development of this project. (Examples: discussion, areas of interest, selection of activities).

4. Explain the impact of this plan on the learning outcomes and/or behaviors of your students.

