

# AAUW FLORIDA

## FORMAT FOR STEM & PAY EQUITY PROGRAM REPORTING

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Name of Branch (es): Lake/Sumter Branch AAUW

Name of Program or Activity: Math and Science Reward

**Brief Description:** Award a certificate of achievement, a \$50 US Savings Bond and a \$25 cash award to an eighth grade girl in each of area four local middle schools **for most improved in math and in science**, two awards in each school for 8 awards total. The eighth grade math and science teachers in each school use AAUW branch criteria to select the students. The awards are presented to the students during the end of the year eighth grade awards program or promotion exercises by the branch STEM coordinator or alternate branch member. The objective is to encourage girls to participate in math and science courses in high school, to broaden their knowledge and overall perspective in math and science and to gain an appreciation of math and science which may lead them into a math and/or science career. Criteria used by the math and science teachers include FCAT scores, science fair ranking, grade point average, overall performance in seventh and eighth grade, and teacher recommendation.

**Target Participants:** Eighth grade female students attending one of two middle schools in Lake County and two middle schools in Sumter County.

**Number of Participants:** Any female eighth grade student in the four schools. The number varies each year depending on enrollment.

**Partners and Roles:** The Lake/Sumter Branch AAUW Stem Coordinator contacts the schools yearly providing information and criteria for the awards. The branch provides the monies for the awards through budget/fundraising. The eighth grade math/science teachers in the four schools determine the award recipients.

**Cost and how funded:** \$400 – Savings bonds and cash awards  
\$200 budgeted by branch  
\$200 –various fundraising efforts

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