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CHEVRON/HaSTA EDUCATION FUND AWARDS \$12,000 IN GRANTS TO SCHOOLS STATEWIDE

Unique partnership provides innovative project-based learning curriculum in the areas of science, math, and environmental conservation and stewardship

Honolulu (August 14, 2009) – Chevron and Hawaii Science Teachers Association (HaSTA) proudly announce that the following schools have been awarded a grant for the 2009-2010 school year:

School Name:

- Jayson Reynon(Campbell High)
- Shelia Cyborn (Castle High)
- Gavan Kaizama-Miyata, Ben Yamashiro (Pearl City High)
- Duncan Sutherland (Pauoa Elementary)
- Karen Cole/Johnson Koo (Kapa’ a Elementary)
- Elyse Rodrigues (Keaau Middle)
- Geni Ebisutani, Kim Sanders (Iroquois Point Elementary)
- Marcia Braden (St. Anthony’s School)
- Kris Tajima(Central Middle)
- Russel Abe(Webbing Elementary)
- Jennifer Crandall/Jeanne Lingren (Punahou Case Middle)
- Nadiah Garmurot (Kapolei High)
- Ron Jarvis/John Sager (Keaau High)

Project Name:

- Advancing AP physics
- Studying Windward Oahu Streams
- Cardboard Jungle
- A Good Neighbor
- Hydroponic Gardening
- Electricity and Energy Conservation
- Alt. Energy Sources, Probing our World
- Produce Garden
- Alternative Energy Resources
- Team Machines
- Sun Spots
- Off the Grid
- Alternative Energy using Biodiesel

In order to be eligible for grant funding, teachers must demonstrate that their projects are ongoing and involve active learning by engaging students in project-based learning activities. The fund awards a maximum of \$1,000 per project. Public or private schools, grades K-12 statewide, are eligible to apply.

“The recipients have a chance to work on a project with their students that they ordinarily not have the funding to do. This allows teachers to extend their normal classroom routine into a project to enrich their student’s knowledge,” said James Redmond, HaSTA board member and web master. “Chevron has allowed us to better spread the word about the grants to science teachers throughout the state. We are happy to help with this great opportunity for science teachers in Hawaii.”

Carina Tagupa, Community Relations Specialist added, “Chevron is proud to award these grants to deserving teachers and schools in Hawaii. We understand how important it is to support our local education system and stimulate student learning. The creation of educational projects by teachers enhances the classroom experience and provides a lasting impact on the students.”

HaSTA provides volunteer science teachers who serve on the advisory committee that awards grants from the funds. It is a chapter of the National Science Teachers Association based in Arlington, VA.

For more information on how to apply for the Chevron/HaSTA Education grant, please visit www.hasta.us.

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