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Alaska offers outstanding opportunities for new and young teachers. Particularly, the Anchorage School District is in need of Technology Education teachers. Through the competitive event it is believed that Technology Education students will learn about teaching opportunities in the Anchorage School District and about the excellent support offered by the system. Through a travel award and stipend it is the hope of the district to attract highly quality individuals to visit the school system and to seek further information about employment.

CONTEST DESCRIPTION

Seniors majoring in Technology Education are encouraged to participate in a problem solving competition named the 2011-12 Alaska Design Challenge where they will design a unit of instruction to transfer technological concepts found in a provided scenario. Upon completion of an application the participant will be sent a design brief containing the scenario. Participants will then create and electronically submit a solution prior to a posted deadline. The submission will be judged and winners will be announced. The two participants who rank highest will win a trip to Anchorage, AK where they will present their solution to the Anchorage Schools Career and Technology Education Annual Conference February 3-4, 2012 and receive a \$1,000 stipend. Travel, room, meal allowance and stipend will be arranged and paid for by the sponsors.

Participants are encouraged to research the Anchorage, AK area and recognize the many opportunities that exist. The award recipients are encouraged to plan extra recreational time in the Anchorage area because the timing of the February conference is during peak ski season.

CONTEST RULES

1. Participants are to be Technology Education majors (undergraduate or graduate) who will graduate in the spring or summer of 2012 with a teaching certificate/licensure in Technology Education.
2. All participants are to complete an on-line application located at <http://cte.asdk12.org>.
3. After the on-line application has been received and promptly reviewed the URL of the 2011-12 Alaska Design Challenge will be e-mailed to the participant.
4. Participants can compete as individuals or in groups of two (2) to complete the design challenge.
5. The solution to the design challenge is to be submitted electronically by the October 30, 2011 deadline to the designated e-mail address.

