Gene Strid SMTC Award Application

The Gene Strid SMTC Award provides financial support for four Science & Mathematics Teaching Center (SMTC) graduate students who have shown excellence in their courses and are committed to advancing STEM education. Awards are to assist with expenses associated with participation in the SMTC summer session.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Current SMTC graduate student.
- Demonstrated strong academic performance and meaningful engagement in SMTC programs.

Award Amount: Four \$1,000 awards will be granted to offset costs associated with attending the SMTC summer session.

Deadline: April 15, 2025

Application Questions (Please write 300-500 word response per question).

- 1) Explain how your work as a classroom teacher reflects the mission and vision of the SMTC. Share examples of how you engage your students in scientific processes or critical mathematics in ways that connect to their everyday lives.
- 2) Describe how your participation in the SMTC program, whether through completed courses or anticipated learning, supports your current teaching practice. How do you envision that attending the upcoming SMTC summer session will impact your classroom teaching or professional growth?
- 3) Attending the SMTC summer session can involve unique costs. Can you share any specific expenses or challenges you anticipate incurring to participate fully in the program?

Submission Requirements:

Submit your completed application via email to <u>SMTC@uwyo.edu</u> no later than the stated deadline.

- Responses to application questions above (300-500 words per question).
- An up-to-date current CV or resume.
- A letter of support from a University of Wyoming faculty member or current colleague that highlights how this award will support the applicant's ability to attend the 3-4 week SMTC summer session in Laramie, WY. The letter should also describe how participation in the summer session will enhance the applicant's professional teaching practice or education journey.