

2018 National & Regional Award Winners

If a region is not listed in an award category that region did not have a winner. Also note that not all awards were given in every category if there were no qualifying entries.

Greenwood Frysinger Award

National Winner – Alyssa Anderson, Southern Region, North Carolina Mentor – Hayley Napier Southern Region Winner – Alyssa Anderson, North Carolina Mentor – Hayley Napier

NEAFCS Educator of the Year Award

National Winner – Lorrie Coop, Southern Region, Texas Southern Region Winner – Lorrie Coop, Texas

NEAFCS Past Presidents' New Professional Award

National Winner – Karla Belzer, Central Region, Illinois Eastern Region Winner – Stacy Reed, Pennsylvania Central Region Winner – Karla Belzer, Illinois Southern Region Winner – Lisa Hamilton, Florida Western Region Winner – Angie Treadwell, Oregon

Clean and Healthy Families & Communities Award

National Winner –Linda Beech and Team, Central, Kansas
National Winner – Morgan Rousseau and Team, Southern, Kentucky
2nd Place National Winner – Katherine Jury, Southern, Kentucky
Central Region Winner – Linda Beech and Team, Kansas
Central Region Winner – Lisa Treiber and Team, Michigan
Southern Region Winner – Morgan Rousseau and Team, Kentucky
Southern Region Winner – Katherine Jury, Kentucky
2nd Place Southern Region – Kenna Knight, Kentucky

Extension Housing Outreach Award

National Winner – Melanie Thomas and Team, Southern Region, Florida National Winner – Alivia Faris, Southern Region, Kentucky Southern Region Winner – Melanie Thomas and Team, Florida Southern Region Winner – Alivia Faris, Kentucky

Dean Don Felker Financial Management Award

- 1st Place National Winner Barbara O'Neill, Eastern Region, New Jersey
- 2nd Place National Winner Brenda Schmitt and Team, Central Region, Iowa
- 3rd Place National Winner Cynthia Clampet and Team, Southern Region, Oklahoma
- 1st Place Central Region Brenda Schmitt and Team, Iowa
- 2nd Place Central Region Melinda Hill and Team, Ohio
- 1st Place Eastern Region Barbara O'Neill, New Jersey
- 1st Place Southern Region Cynthia Clampet and Team, Oklahoma
- 2nd Place Southern Region Natasha Parks, Florida
- 3rd Place Southern Region Angel Neu and Team, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Bryce Jorgensen and Team, New Mexico



Excellence in Teamwork Award

- 1st Place National Winner Jessica Vincent and Team, Southern Region, Arkansas
- 2nd Place National Winner Suzanne Pish and Team, Central Region, Michigan
- 3rd Place National Winner Kristen Sumpter and Team, Southern Region, Georgia
- 1st Place Central Region Suzanne Pish and Team, Michigan
- 2nd Place Central Region Paula Hella and Team, Wisconsin
- 1st Place Southern Region Jessica Vincent and Team, Arkansas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Kristen Sumpter and Team, Georgia
- 3rd Place Southern Region Jheri-Lynn McSwain and Team, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Deborah Curley and Team, Arizona

Excellence in Multi State Collaboration Award

- 1st Place National Winner Linda Reddish and Team, Central Region, Nebraska
- 2nd Place National Winner Sharolyn Flaming Jackson and Team, Central Region, Kansas
- 3rd Place National Winner Erin Yelland and Team, Central Region, Kansas
- 1st Place Central Region Linda Reddish and Team, Nebraska
- 2nd Place Central Region Sharolyn Flaming Jackson and Team, Kansas
- 3rd Place Central Region Erin Yelland and Team, Kansas
- 1st Place Eastern Region Maria Pippidis and Team, Delaware
- 1st Place Southern Region Lorrie Coop and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Brenda Cockerham and Team, Kentucky
- 3rd Place Southern Region Rachel Hubbard and Team, Georgia
- 1st Place Western Region Barbara Brody and Team, Oregon
- 2nd Place Western Region Diane Smith and Team, Washington
- 3rd Place Western Region Surine Greenway and Team, Idaho

Innovations in Programming Award

- 1st Place National Winner Dayna Parrett and Team, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 2nd Place National Winner Amy Ressler, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Chelsey Byers Gerstenecker and Team, Central Region, Illinois
- 1st Place Central Region Chelsey Byers Gerstenecker and Team, Illinois
- 2nd Place Central Region Kara Lynch and Team, Michigan
- 3rd Place Central Region Sara Croymans and Team, Minnesota
- 1st Place Eastern Region Lynn James and Team, Pennsylvania
- 1st Place Southern Region Dayna Parrett and Team, Kentucky
- 2nd Place Southern Region Amy Ressler, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Linda Combs, Kentucky
- 1st Place Western Region Raquel Garzon and Team, New Mexico
- 2nd Place Western Region Tonya Johnson and Team, Oregon
- 3rd Place Western Region Heidi LeBlanc and Team, Utah

SNAP-ED EFNEP Education Award

- 1st Place National Winner Mandy Patrick and Team. Southern Region. Texas
- 2nd Place National Winner Alicia Powers and Team, Southern Region, Alabama
- 3rd Place National Winner Lisa Franzen-Castle and Team, Central Region, Nebraska
- 1st place Central Region Lisa Franzen-Castle and Team, Nebraska
- 2nd Place Central Region Megan Hruby and Team, Minnesota
- 1st Place Southern Region Mandy Patrick and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Alicia Powers and Team, Alabama



- 3rd Place Southern Region Anne-Carter Carrington and Team, Virginia
- 1st Place Western Region Heidi LeBlanc and Team, Utah

Social Media Education Award

- 1st Place National Winner Elisa Shackelton and Team, Western Region, Colorado
- 2nd Place National Winner Pamela R. Turner and Team, Southern Region, Georgia
- 3rd Place National Winner Sondra Parmer and Team, Southern Region, Alabama
- 1st Place Central Region Renee Koenig and Team, Wisconsin
- 2nd Place Central Region Cheri Burcham and Team, Illinois
- 1st Place Southern Region Pamela R. Turner and Team, Georgia
- 2nd Place Southern Region Sondra Parmer and Team, Alabama
- 3rd Place Southern Region Jocelin Villarreal, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Elisa Shackelton and Team, Colorado

Social Media Education - Online Video Award

- 1st Place National Winner Chelsea Stevens and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 2nd Place National Winner Amanda Christensen, Western Region, Utah
- 3rd Place National Winner Wenging Xu and Team, Southern Region, Louisiana
- 1st Place Southern Region Chelsea Stevens and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Wenging Xu and Team, Louisiana
- 3rd Place Southern Region Edda Cotto-Riveria and Team, Georgia
- 1st Place Western Region Amanda Christensen, Utah
- 2nd Place Western Region Laura L. Sant and Team, Idaho

Community Partnership Award

- 1st Place National Winner Chelsey Byers Gerstenecker, Central Region, Illinois
- 2nd Place National Winner Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Denise Continenza, Eastern Region, Pennsylvania
- 1st Place Central Region Chelsey Byers Gerstenecker, Illinois
- 2nd Place Central Region Treva Williams and Team, Ohio
- 3rd Place Central Region Barbara Wollan, Iowa
- 1st Place Eastern Region Denise Continenza, Pennsylvania
- 1st Place Southern Region Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Sherri Broderick, Kentucky 3rd Place Southern Region Ann Sansing and Team, Mississippi
- 1st Place Western Region Patricia Merk and Team, Arizona

Early Childhood Child Care Training Award

- 1st Place National Winner Karen Jungman and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 2nd Place National Winner Susan Moore and Team, Southern Region, Georgia
- 1st Place Central Region Lesia Oesterreich and Team, Iowa
- 1st Place Eastern Region Kerri Wade and Team, West Virginia
- 1st Place Southern Region Karen Jungman and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Susan Moore and Team, Georgia

Environmental Education Award

- 1st Place National Winner Leif Albertson, Western Region, Alaska
- 2nd Place National Winner Jheri-Lynn McSwain and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Eugenia Wilson and Team, Southern Region, Kentucky



- 1st Place Southern Region Jheri-Lynn McSwain and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Eugenia Wilson and Team, Kentucky
- 3rd Place Southern Region Annie Sheldon, Florida
- 1st Place Western Region Leif Albertson, Alaska

Family Health and Wellness Award

- 1st Place National Winner Karim Martinez and Team, Western Region, New Mexico
- 2nd Place National Winner Wendy Lynch and Team, Southern Region, Florida
- 3rd Place National Winner Whitney Hilterbran, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 1st Place Central Region Holly Tiret and Team, Michigan
- 1st Place Southern Region Wendy Lynch and Team, Florida
- 2nd Place Southern Region Whitney Hilterbran, Kentucky
- 3rd Place Southern Region Sheryl Austin, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Karim Martinez and Team, New Mexico
- 2nd Place Western Region Kirstin Jensen and Team, Idaho
- 3rd Place Western Region Leif Albertson, Alaska

Florence Hall Award

- 1st Place National Winner Barbara Struempler and Team, Southern Region, Alabama
- 2nd Place National Winner Sally Garrett and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Lynda Spence, Southern Region, Florida
- 1st Place Central Region Rebecca Hagen Jokela and Team, Minnesota
- 1st Place Southern Region Barbara Struempler and Team, Alabama
- 2nd Place Southern Region Sally Garrett and Team, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Lynda Spence, Florida
- 1st Place Western Region Raquel Garzon, New Mexico
- 2nd Place Western Region Regina Ord, Washington

Food Safety Award

- 1st Place National Winner Joan Gray-Soria and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 2nd Place National Winner Lorrie Coop, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Judith Corbus and Team, Southern Region, Florida
- 1st Place Central Region Laurie Messing and Team, Michigan
- 1st Place Eastern Region Sue Snider, Delaware
- 1st Place Southern Region Joan Gray-Soria and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Lorrie Coop, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Judith Corbus and Team, Florida
- 1st Place Western Region Jeanne Brandt and Team, Oregon
- 2nd Place Western Region Leif Albertson, Alaska
- 3rd Place Western Region Hope Wilson and Team, Arizona

Human Development/Family Relationships Award

- 1st Place National Winner Lori Zierl and Team, Central Region, Wisconsin
- 2nd Place National Winner Molly Hofer and Team, Central Region, Illinois
- 3rd Place National Winner Matti Daniels and Team, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 1st Place Central Region Lori Zierl and Team, Wisconsin
- 2nd Place Central Region Molly Hofer and Team, Illinois
- 3rd Place Central Region Kim Brantner and Team, Iowa
- 1st Place Southern Region Matti Daniels and Team, Kentucky



- 2nd Place Southern Region Ginny Hinton and Team, Florida 3rd Place Southern Region Susan Moore and Team, Georgia

Marketing Package Award

- 1st Place National Winner David Buys and Team, Southern Region, Mississippi
- 2nd Place National Winner Joey Peutz and Team, Western Region, Idaho
- 3rd Place National Winner Lynda Spence, Southern Region, Florida
- 1st Place Central Region Michelle Treber and Team, Ohio
- 1st Place Southern Region David Buys and Team, Mississippi
- 2nd Place Southern Region Lynda Spence, Florida
- 3rd Place Southern Region Kayla Watts, Kentucky
- 1st Place Western Region Joey Peutz and Team, Idaho
- 2nd Place Western Region Margaret Viebrock and Team, Washington

Mary W. Wells Memorial Diversity Award

- 1st Place National Winner -Shaija Mathur and Team, Eastern Region, New Jersey
- 2nd Place National Winner Joyce Senior and Team, Western Region, Oregon
- 3rd Place National Winner Cheryl Bush and Team, Eastern Region, Delaware
- 1st Place Eastern Region Shajia Mathur and Team, New Jersey
- 2nd Place Eastern Region Cheryl Bush and Team, Delaware
- 1st Place Southern Region Ashley Foster, Arkansas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Jan Dawson and Team, Oklahoma
- 3rd Place Southern Region Thays Flores and Team, Kentucky
- 1st Place Western Region Joyce Senior and Team, Oregon

Master Family and Consumer Sciences Volunteer Award

- 1st Place National Winner Michelle Bonicelli and Team, Southern Region, Oklahoma
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Program Excellence Through Research Award

- 1st Place National Winner Bryce Jorgensen, Western Region, New Mexico
- 2nd Place National Winner Barbara O'Neill and Team, Eastern Region, New Jersey
- 3rd Place National Winner Katie Funderburk and Team, Southern Region, Alabama
- 1st Place Eastern Region Barbara O'Neill and Team, New Jersey
- 1st Place Southern Region Katie Funderburk and Team, Alabama
- 2nd Place Southern Region Brenda Cockerham and Team, Kentucky
- 3rd Place Southern Region Jheri-Lynn McSwain, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Bryce Jorgensen, New Mexico
- 2nd Place Western Region Anamaria Diaz Martinez and Team, Washington

School Wellness Award

- 1st Place National Winner Holly Black and Team, Southern Region, Texas
- 2nd Place National Winner Katherine Soule and Team, Western Region, California
- 3rd Place National Winner Mary Schroeder and Team, Central Region, Minnesota
- 1st Place Central Region Mary Schroeder and Team, Minnesota
- 1st Place Southern Region Holly Black and Team, Texas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Schancey Chapman, Tennessee
- 3rd Place Southern Region Amy O'Bryan and Team, Oklahoma
- 1st Place Western Region Katherine Soule and Team, California



2nd Place Western Region – Lisa Terry and Team, Montana

Communications Award: Educational Curriculum Package

- 1st Place National Winner Susan Moore and Team, Southern Region, Georgia
- 2nd Place National Winner Cynthia Clampet and Team, Southern Region, Oklahoma
- 3rd Place National Winner Jeannie Nichols and Team, Central Region, Michigan
- 1st Place Central Region Jeannie Nichols and Team, Michigan
- 2nd Place Central Region Erin Yelland, Kansas
- 1st Place Southern Region Susan Moore and Team, Georgia
- 2nd Place Southern Region Cynthia Clampet and Team, Oklahoma
- 3rd Place Southern Region Natasha Parks and Team, Florida
- 1st Place Western Region Vicki Hayman and Team, Wyoming

Communications Award: Educational Publication

- 1st Place National Winner Jovita Lewis and Team, Southern Region, Alabama
- 2nd Place National Winner Jessica Vincent and Team, Southern Region, Arkansas
- 3rd Place National Winner Donna Krug, Central Region, Kansas
- 1st Place Central Region Donna Krug, Kansas
- 2nd Place Central Region Michelle Jarvie and Team, Michigan
- 3rd Place Central Region Robin Eubanks-Callis, Kansas
- 1st Place Southern Region Jovita Lewis and Team, Alabama
- 2nd Place Southern Region Jessica Vincent and Team, Arkansas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Cynthia Clampet and Team, Oklahoma
- 1st Place Western Region Raquel Garzon, New Mexico

Communications Award: Educational Technology

- 1st Place National Winner Carol Schwarz and Team, Central Region, Nebraska
- 2nd Place National Winner Patricia Carroll and Team, Central Region, Wisconsin
- 1st Place Central Region Carol Schwarz and Team, Nebraska
- 2nd Place Central Region Patricia Carroll and Team, Wisconsin
- 3rd Place Central Region Shannon Carter, Ohio
- 1st Place Western Region Glenda Hyde and Team, Oregon

Communication Award: Internet Education Technology

- 1st Place National Winner –Anita Hering and Team, Central Region, Minnesota
- 2nd Place National Winner –Carol Schwarz and Team, Central Region, Nebraska
- 3rd Place National Winner Sherri Cirignano, Eastern Region, New Jersey
- 1st Place Central Region Anita Hering and Team, Minnesota
- 2nd Place Central Region Carol Schwarz and Team, Nebraska
- 3rd Place Central Region Rebecca Reid, Kansas
- 1st Place Eastern Region Sherri Cirignano, New Jersey
- 1st Place Southern Region Lisa Leslie, Florida
- 2nd Place Southern Region Mandi Broderick, Kentucky
- 3rd Place Southern Region Chelsea Stevens and Team, Texas
- 1st Place Western Region Gisele Jefferson and Team, Colorado

Communications Award: Newsletters

- 1st Place National Winner Jewell Miller and Team, Southern Region, Arkansas
- 2nd Place National Winner Jocelin Villarreal and Team, Southern Region, Texas



- 3rd Place National Winner Brenda Cockerham and Team, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 1st Place Southern Region Jewell Miller and Team, Arkansas
- 2nd Place Southern Region Jocelin Villarreal and Team, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Brenda Cockerham and Team, Kentucky
- 1st Place Western Region Cydney Martin, New Mexico

Communications Award: Photography

- 1st Place National Winner Layne Langley, Southern Region, Louisiana
- 2nd Place National Winner Lorrie Coop, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Jenny Aviles Rodriguez and Team, Southern Region, Florida
- 1st Place Central Region Sara Croymans, Minnesota
- 1st Place Southern Region Layne Langley, Louisiana
- 2nd Place Southern Region Lorrie Coop, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Jenny Aviles Rodriguez and Team, Florida
- 1st Place Western Region Barbara Brody and Team, Oregon

Communications Award: Radio/Podcast

- 1st Place National Winner Leslie Workman, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 2nd Place National Winner Darlene Hopkins, Southern Region, Texas
- 3rd Place National Winner Carin Walton Booth, Southern Region, Georgia
- 1st Place Central Region Kylie Ludwig, Kansas
- 1st Place Southern Region Leslie Workman, Kentucky
- 2nd Place Southern Region Darlene Hopkins, Texas
- 3rd Place Southern Region Carin Walton Booth, Georgia

Communications Award: TV/Video

- 1st Place National Winner Susan Howington and Team, Southern Region, Georgia
- 2nd Place National Winner Katharine Shumaker and Team, Central Region, Ohio
- 3rd Place National Winner Elizabeth Shephard and Team, Southern Region, Florida
- 1st Place Central Region Katharine Shumaker and Team, Ohio
- 2nd Place Central Region Kylie Ludwig, Kansas
- 1st Place Southern Region Susan Howington and Team, Georgia
- 2nd Place Southern Region Elizabeth Shephard and Team, Florida
- 3rd Place Southern Region Cathy Agan and Team, Louisiana

Communications Award: Written Press Releases

- 1st Place National Winner Julie Garden-Robinson, Central Region, North Dakota
- 2nd Place National Winner Kathleen Byrnes, Southern Region, Kentucky
- 3rd Place National Winner Keishon Thomas, Southern Region, Georgia
- 1st Place Central Region Julie Garden-Robinson, North Dakota
- 2nd Place Central Region Mary Loftis, Nebraska
- 3rd Place Central Region Linda Beech, Kansas
- 1st Place Southern Region Kathleen Byrnes, Kentucky
- 2nd Place Southern Region Keishon Thomas, Georgia
- 3rd Place Southern Region Pamela Pruett, Arkansas



Distinguished Service Award

Leslie Shallcross Alaska
Cathy Martinez Arizona
Shea Wilson Arkansas
Debbie Baker Arkansas
Joy Akey Colorado
Melanie Thomas Florida
Kathee Tifft Idaho

Chelsey Byers

Gerstenecker Illinois

Jennifer

Stefancik Indiana
Atina Rozhon Indiana
Joyce Lash Iowa

Ethel

Schneweiss Kansas Nanette Banks Kentucky Amanda Hardy Kentucky Eugenia Wilson Kentucky Kathleen Savoie Maine Holly Tiret Michigan Patricia Neal Mississipppi Sarah Traub Missouri Joanne Kinsey **New Jersey** Judy O'Loughlin New Mexico Jayne McBurney North Carolina North Carolina Peggie Garner

Christine Kendle Ohio Margaret Jenkins Ohio

Lynda Latta Oklahoma
Lynn Null Oklahoma
Shana Withee Oregon
Brenda Hannah Tennessee
Lynne Knight Tennessee
Mary Henley Tennessee

Diane Gertson Texas
Alexis Cordova Texas
Mandi Seaton Texas
Amy Ressler Texas



Naomi Brower Utah Jackie Carattini Wisconsin

Continued Excellence Award

Julie Cascio Alaska Terrie James Arkansas Katie (Katherine) Cullum Arkansas Mary Ellen Fleming Colorado Gayle Whitworth Florida Heidi Copeland Florida Roxie Price Georgia Lorie Dye Idaho

Terri Newcom Indiana Jill Weber Iowa Donna Krug Kansas Crystal Marie Bashford Kansas Kenna Knight Kentucky Melanie Bealmear Kentucky Christy Ramey Kentucky Beth Waitrovich Michigan Katherine Brandt Minnesota Jennifer Russell Mississippi Oklahoma Kristy Spalding Gale Mills Oklahoma Robin Kuleck Pennsylvania Tennessee Natalie Owens Michele Atkins Tennessee Z. Tennille Short Tennessee Louraiseal McDonald Texas

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Dana Tarter Texas
Christine Jensen Utah
Karen Munden Virginia