



## ESAE Membership Incentive Guidelines

*Awarded by*

**The Elementary, Secondary, Adult Education (ESAE) Community of the  
American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)**

**Purpose:** This award will support one year of AAFCS membership. A total of ten membership reimbursements will be awarded, with each recipient receiving up to \$150, depending on the membership category: \$50 for students, \$100 for new professionals, and \$150 for returning professionals. Preference will be given to first-time FCS graduates, first/second year FCS professionals, AAFCS-credentialed individuals, and those with FCS majors, aiming for five students and five new FCS professionals. An individual may receive this award only once; if not selected in a given year, they may apply again the following year.

**About the community:** The ESAE community of AAFCS provides a network for educators and professionals working with students of all ages to share best practices, resources, and support for the advancement of Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) education.

### **TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE AWARD, YOU MUST BE:**

- 1)** Students enrolled in an FCS education program; or,
- 2)** Professionals with 1-5 years of work experience in the teaching profession.

## **Submitting the Application**

The application is online, found on the Awards page of the AAFCS website at  
<https://www.aafcs.org/resources/awards-and-grants>.

### **The completed application requires the following:**

- 1. Personal Information:** Name, Mailing Address, Phone number, Email, School, Major, and AAFCS membership number.
- 2. Membership Category:** Graduate Student or first/second year FCS Professional
- 3. College or Employment Information:** School or place of employment, graduate degree or graduated degree, advisor/supervisor name, and contact.
- 4. A Personal Biography:** Maximum of 350 words in third person.
- 5. Student Status Statement** (only required if a graduate student).

**It is important that your application be accurate and complete. Please double-check each item listed above before submitting it online.**

## Evaluating the Application

- Volunteers from the Elementary, Secondary, Adult Education (ESAE) Community will evaluate and score each application.
- Applicants who are also ESAE members may not review applications in the same year that they apply for the award.

## Awarding ESAE Membership Incentive Award

- Each applicant upon notice of their selection to receive the Membership Incentive Award, must join AAFCS as a member and pay their first year of membership fees.
- After confirming that the selected applicant has joined, AAFCS staff will process a second year of membership, paid for by the ESAE Community.
- Recipients of the ESAE Membership Incentive Award will be honored at the AAFCS Annual Conference.