ANNOUNCEMENT

2015 CSWEA & WEF Student Paper Competition

UNDERGRADUATE & MASTERS DIVIONS

The WEF Students & Young Professionals Committee (SYPC) offers two programs under the Water Environment Federation (WEF) STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION which provide an opportunity for students in undergraduate and graduate programs to compete and achieve recognition for their research. CSWEA is now accepting submittals for both the undergraduate and graduate (masters) Student Paper Competition.

RULES OF THE COMPETITION

INTRODUCTION: The WEF Undergraduate Student Paper Competition is intended to promote the education of undergraduate / graduate students in water pollution control, water quality problems, water-related concerns, hazardous wastes or related areas. It also is intended to provide an opportunity for national recognition of participating students.

TOPIC: Any paper dealing with water pollution control, water quality problems, water-related concerns, hazardous waste, or related areas is invited.

PAPERS: The paper submitted shall be limited to ten (10) total typed pages of less than 5,000 words, including an abstract of less than 350 words, tables, and figures (references will be allowed and not counted in total words). Papers may be submitted electronically to mholland@dekalbsd.com or by mail. If submitting by mail, two (2) copies of the paper must be submitted. All information that identifies the author (such as name, address, telephone number, and the name, address and telephone number of the school) must be omitted from one (1) copy of the paper.

DEADLINE: To be eligible for the CSWEA competition on April 6, 2015, the paper shall be received by March 20, 2015.

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SELECTION CRITERIA: The Student Committee representative from each State will select the best paper from their state. The State Section winners will present their paper on the afternoon of Monday, April 6, 2015 at the Monona Terrace, Madison WI. From these presentations, a judging panel comprised of the CSWEA members will select the best paper for submittal to WEF for the national Student Paper Competition. Selection will be based on: Originality of Work-20%, Technical Content-20%, Completeness of Work-20%, Clarity of Paper-20%, Relevancy-10%, and Abstract-10%.

NOTIFICATION: The CSWEA finalist will be notified on April 7, 2015 or soon after. The CSWEA competition winner will be invited to present his/her paper at the CSWEA Annual Meeting on May 18 – 21, 2015 at the Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

AUTHORSHIP: Must be a current undergraduate / graduate student or recently graduated (within one calendar year of WEFTEC ‘15) to be eligible for this competition. Faculty advisors cannot be listed as co-authors. However, they may act in an advisory capacity.

AWARDS: The selected paper from each state will receive free registration, one night of lodging and reimbursement of up to $100.00 in expenses for attendance at the competition on April 6, 2015 and the CSWEA Education Seminar on April 7, 2015.

The winner from the CSWEA competition will receive free registration from WEF and a travel and lodging allowance from CSWEA to the WEFTEC conference in Chicago, Illinois (September 26 – September 30, 2015)

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