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## **White House Honors Science, Math and Engineering Mentors**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The White House today announced nine individuals and five institutions who will receive the 2004 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM). This Presidential Award recognizes individuals and organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to mentoring students and increasing the participation of minorities, women and disabled students in science, mathematics and engineering. The individual and institutional awardees were honored at an awards ceremony in Washington, DC presided over by John H. Marburger, science advisor to President George W. Bush and director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President.

The annual award, administered by the National Science Foundation, includes a \$10,000 grant for continued mentoring work and a Presidential commemorative certificate. The PAESMEM program seeks to identify outstanding mentoring efforts and programs designed to enhance the participation of groups underrepresented in science, mathematics and engineering. The awardees will serve as exemplars to their colleagues and will be leaders in the national effort to more fully develop the Nation's human resources in science, mathematics and engineering.

The 2004 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring awardees are:

### INDIVIDUAL AWARDEES:

Dr. Lenore Blum  
Carnegie Mellon University  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Ms. Charlena H. Grimes  
Washington State University  
Pullman, Washington

Dr. Barbara A. Burke  
California Polytechnic Pomona Foundation, Inc.  
Pomona, California

Dr. Richard E. Ladner  
University of Washington  
Seattle, Washington

Dr. Jeffrey S. Russell  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
Madison, Wisconsin

Dr. Steven F. Watkins  
Louisiana State University & A&M College  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dr. Herbert P. Schroeder  
University of Alaska, Anchorage  
Anchorage, Alaska

Dr. Elizabeth G. Yanik  
Emporia State University  
Emporia, Kansas

Dr. John C. Warner  
University of Massachusetts, Boston  
Boston, Massachusetts

INSTITUTIONAL AWARDEES:

American Society for Cell Biology  
Bethesda, Maryland  
Ms. Elizabeth M. Marincola, Accepting

Native Americans in Marine and Space  
Sciences Program  
Oregon State University  
Corvallis, Oregon  
Dr. Judith R. Vergun, Accepting

Department of Mathematics  
University of Iowa  
Iowa City, Iowa  
Dr. David C. Manderscheid, Accepting

Society for the Advancement of Chicanos  
and Native Americans in Science  
Santa Cruz, California  
Dr. Refugio I. Rochin, Accepting

Miami Museum of Science, Inc.  
Miami, Florida  
Dr. Judy A. Brown, Accepting

For more information on the awards and winners, visit:  
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