# Nebsci Monthly Memo | March 2023

## From NDE Lessons Learned from the 2022 Operationalized NSCAS Summative Assessment for Science Assessment Window: April 3 - May 12, 2023 **NEW FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT TASKS K-3** Check the Classroom Formative Assessment Task Repository for new K, 1, 2, and 3 tasks! Walk to Unlock Nebraska Walk to Unlock Nebraska invites students and teachers to combine exercise and learning through a fun, competitive virtual platform that rewards physical activity with fascinating historical, geographical, and agriculture information about our state. The program provides checkpoints along routes across the state for youth (and their teachers!) to virtually visit while tracking physical activity time, steps and/or miles. Walk to Unlock Nebraska was created with the idea of combining academic enrichment and physical activity. If you'd like to pilot, use the link to sign up! NAS Conference and Geology Field Trip External **NEW STEM Teaching Tool #91** Offerings The Nebraska Academy of Sciences is sponsoring a Geology Field Trip in The STEM Teaching Tools collection is a set of association with the NAS Annual Meeting, after the NAS conference on 22-23 resources for teachers and educational leaders April. focused on supporting many science instruction. These practice briefs and OER PD This 2 day field trip will provide an opportunity to get your shoes muddy, your modules are co-authored by researchers and feet wet, to socialize with other geo-educators, to camp and talk around the practitioners around specific problems and campfire after eating some great food! One goal is to get science teachers, opportunities of practice. students, interested scientists, academics, and the public together talking about NE place-based geology. Register HERE

#### **Applications**

## 2022-2023 PAEMST cycle now closed!

Three Nebraska nominees have been selected as state finalists for the 2023 <u>Presidential</u>

<u>Award for Excellence in Mathematics and</u>

<u>Science Teaching</u>. Congratulations to **Jennifer Jones** (Ogallala), **Kristen Benton** (Kenesaw), and **Chelle Gillan** (Central City).

## **National Youth Science Camp**

Two graduating seniors have been selected as delegates to the National Youth Science Camp. The camp is an all-expense 10 day science immersion experience in West Virgina. Congratulations to **Aditi Rai** (Elkhorn South HS) and **Sunika Navalkar** (Millard North HS).

Be thinking of who you might want to nominate for the 2024 NYS Camp!

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