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SOCIETY SEEKS NOMINATION FOR TEACHER AWARD

Deadline for submission: January 15, 2021

Do you know an outstanding history or social studies teacher in Illinois? The ISHS Educational Services committee and the Awards Committee seek nominations for the Olive Foster Outstanding Teacher Award. This award honors Olive Foster, former Illinois State Historian, Director of the School Services Program, and originator of the Illinois History Program for students. The annual award is designed to recognize and reward a full-time teacher for outstanding contributions to the study and teaching of state and local history. Recipients of this award actively promote Illinois history in schools as well as in their local communities, using the resources of one or more local historical societies, museums, the ISHS, and other Illinois-based historical organizations.

Documentation of the teacher's work is required. A \$1,000 award will be given in 2021 to an Illinois teacher from one of the following categories:

- (1) Elementary school level
- (2) Middle-junior high school level
- (3) High school level

The award will be presented at the Illinois State Historical Society's Annual Awards luncheon or dinner in 2021. Nominations may be made by any group or person, including the nominee, and should also include letters of support or recommendation.

You may return the application by regular mail to the above address or email to: Carla Townsend at clerical@historyillinois.org