

**The Virginia Association of Teachers of English**  
(An Affiliate of the National Council of Teachers of English)

**Announces:**

**Scholarship & Award Opportunities for 2010 - 2011**

***Richard A. Meade Student Teaching Scholarship - \$1,000***

The Richard A. Meade Student Teaching Scholarship has been established by VATE to honor the late Dr. Meade, a professor of English education at the University of Virginia from 1934 to 1982. The scholarship, which rewards the efforts of highly capable students entering teaching, represents VATE's commitment to improving English Language Arts instruction in Virginia's schools.

Guidelines & Qualifications:

The applicant must be pursuing a degree program that includes professional certification from a Virginia-approved program in teaching English and be scheduled to student-teach in the 2010 - 2011 school year. Additionally, the applicant must have a minimum 3.2 G.P.A. (on a 4.0 scale). An official transcript of all college work must be submitted with the application. Finally, the applicant must indicate interest in and need for the scholarship through a writing sample of not more than 200 words. Three letters of recommendation complete the application process: one from an English department faculty member, one from an education faculty member (a methods instructor, if available), and one from outside the college or university, e.g. former employer, high school English teacher, etc.

**Materials should be submitted by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to:**

**Lynn Armstrong, 9757 Rehanek Court, Burke, VA 22015**

The scholarship recipient will be invited to attend the VATE Fall Conference in 2010 with Conference fees waived for that year only. Lodging and travel expense will be supported by VATE, and the recipient will be recognized at the Saturday Luncheon during the Conference. The recipient will be invited to attend and present at the Fall Conference the following year (2010), but all 2010 Conference and travel-related expenses must be paid by the individual.

***Diversity Award***

Any diverse student enrolled in a teacher preparation program in a Virginia college or university and preparing to teach English Language Arts on either the elementary or secondary level is eligible to apply for this award. One student will be chosen from eligible candidates and will be recognized at the Fall 2010 Conference.

Guidelines & Qualifications:

The candidate must be a member of VATE. (Contact affiliate president or faculty advisor for details on obtaining membership at student rates.) and must provide the following information and materials:

- (1) a resume including the following information -- name, name of VATE affiliate, address, college or university attended, GPA, major, list of extracurricular activities, awards, and any other pertinent information;
- (2) a 100 - 500 word statement from the candidate on what he/she will contribute in the classroom;
- (3) two professional recommendations (including candidate's academic advisor) regarding the candidate's potential as a teacher.

**Materials should be submitted by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 to:**

**Chapman Hood Frazier, Ph.D., Chair, VCEE, James Madison University, MSC6912, Memorial Hall 3240B, Harrisonburg, VA 22807. E-mail fraziech@jmu.edu.**

The Award recipient will be recognized at the Saturday Luncheon during the 2010 Conference and will give a brief (3 minute) address; additionally the recipient will be invited to attend and present at the Fall 2011 Conference. Only membership dues, conference fees, conference meals, and lodging expenses will be paid by VATE.