



## Junior Solar Sprint Northeast Region

### 2012 Supplementary Funding Request for Area Junior Solar Sprint Programs

The Junior Solar Sprint (JSS) program is currently under a period of transition. The consortium created by the Army's Youth Science Cooperative Outreach Agreement (YSCOA) conducted a search and identified the Technology Student Association (TSA) as the new agency to facilitate JSS. TSA will be in place by February 1, 2012. There will not be an Army-sponsored Northeast Championship JSS race in 2012.

#### **New National Focus – JSS Goes Online**

Additionally the structure of the Army-funded JSS program will undergo significant changes in the future with the aim of expanding the impact of STEM outreach through JSS to a national audience. Under the administration of TSA, an extensive online resources center and "tool box" will be developed to provide training for JSS teachers and mentors nation-wide so that they may implement JSS in their classrooms and communities. American youth will be invited to participate in an online JSS national competition.

#### **Support for Northeast Races in 2012 - Honorariums**

In 2012, the Army will support local and regional races in the Northeast (CT, DE, DC, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, and VT) with the award of honorariums to selected race organizers. Honorariums are one-time awards intended to assist with race-related costs.

Review of honorarium requests will begin on **March 1, 2012**. Requests received by that date will be given full consideration.

#### **Questions and Contact Information**

Questions about the transition of JSS and the honorarium process should be directed to Lauren Thomas of the Army's Youth Science Cooperative Outreach Agreement (YSCOA) at [laurendt@vt.edu](mailto:laurendt@vt.edu). Information on JSS can be found online at [www.usaeop.com](http://www.usaeop.com).

# 2012 JSS Honorarium Application

**Directions:** Please type/write your answers in the boxes below.

**I. Junior Solar Sprint Area Race Information**

What is the race date?	
Where will the race take place?	
What is the rain date (if any) or rain location (if any)?	

**II. Participation**

Who is eligible to participate in this race? Describe the geographic and demographic range covered by your competition.	
Expected number of participating student teams (1-4 students per team)?	
Expected number of participating schools/organizations	
<b>Honorarium recipients are expected to provide the Army (through Virginia Tech) with a list of schools/organizations that participated in their race.</b>	

**III. Educational Programming**

Describe and/or attach any STEM curriculums that were incorporated into your JSS event.	
Describe any educational enhancements that will be incorporated into your race day events. (For example, the use of a solar-powered PA system, alternative fuel cars on display, or coordination with other educational activities or events.)	

**IV. Awards**

In what categories will your race offer awards?	
Describe the types of student prizes that will be awarded.	

**V. Evaluation**

Explain how you will evaluate the success of your JSS race?	
How will you measure your ability to spark interest in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) through your implementation of JSS?	
<b>Honorarium recipients are expected to complete an evaluation survey after the implementation of their race.</b>	

**VI. Connecting to AEOP**

JSS is supported by the Army as one of the Army Educational Outreach Programs (AEOPs). The goal of the AEOPs is to spark interest in STEM in k-12 youth as part of the effort to build the nations talented STEM workforce. How will you inform participants of the connection between JSS and the AEOP?	
<b>Honorarium recipients are expected to distribute information on the AEOPs (which will be provided) at their race.</b>	

## Honorarium Request

Amount requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Up to \$500

*The YSCOA, under the lead of Virginia Tech, reserves the right to limit the subsidy amount provided based on availability of funds and the relative need of each area race, as determined by Virginia Tech.*

Area coordinator overseeing the local use of funds (honorarium applicant)

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First Name (PRINT)

Last Name (PRINT)

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Phone

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Email

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Name of Organization

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Address

City

State

Zip

**I acknowledge that the honorarium funds requested will be used to support a JSS race. Upon receipt of the honorarium, I will:**

- **Provide the Army (through Virginia Tech) with a list of schools/organizations that participated in my race;**
- **Complete an evaluation survey at the culmination of my race; and**
- **Distribute information (provided) on the AEOPs at my race.**

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Signature of Applicant

Date

**Mail, fax, or email completed applications to:**  
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