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Firelands Electric announces winners of Terrific Teachers Contest

Between February 1 and March 9, Firelands Electric Cooperative asked its member-families to nominate their school's most passionate and dedicated elementary teachers. Eligible educators could teach kindergarten through fifth grade at any of the 20 elementary schools that have students living in a home receiving power from the not-for-profit electric provider.

Teachers with the most nominations in each of two grade categories were awarded a plaque and a prize package for their classroom. The package included age-appropriate energy-themed books, games, and activities for their class valued at approximately \$100. Runners-up in each grade category also received a plaque and a prize package worth \$50. Winners will also be featured on Firelands' social media accounts and in an upcoming issue of *Ohio Cooperative Living* magazine.

Congratulations to the following area educators: Grades K-2 winner - Amy Secrist (first grade), Lucas Elementary; grades K-2 runner-up - Jessica Cook (first grade), Lucas Elementary; grades 3-5 winner - Ann Stitzlein (third grade), Loudonville's McMullen Elementary; grades 3-5 runner-up - Jennifer Raubenolt (third grade), Hillsdale Elementary.

Firelands Electric Cooperative, A Touchstone Energy Cooperative, is a member-owned, not-for-profit electric utility serving more than 9,100 homes and businesses in rural areas of Ashland, Huron, Lorain, and Richland counties. For additional information on the many youth programs that Firelands Electric sponsors, visit their website at www.firelandsec.com.

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Grades K-2

Winner: Amy Secrist - Grade 1, Lucas Elementary (left)

Runner-Up: Jessica Cook - Grade 1, Lucas Elementary (right)



Grades 3-5

Winner: Ann Stitzlein - Grade 3, Loudonville's McMullen Elementary

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Grades 3-5
Runner-Up: Jennifer Raubenolt - Grade 3, Hillsdale Elementary

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