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**2008 RT NEWS 26 – October 31, 2008: Happy Halloween!**  
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### 1. DEADLINES

- **Wednesday, November 5:** *Optional: EB 2009 Abstract submission deadline.*
- **Monday, November 24:** WISE Assignment #4: Field Testing/Peer Review Results
- **Monday, December 1:** Final version of Lesson/Activity
- **Wednesday, December 31:** WISE Assignment #5: Readings and Reflection; Spend Mini-Grant

### 2. RT PROGRAM NEWS

**a. Applications are now available for the 2009 Frontiers in Physiology Fellowship Program!**  
Spread the word. Download and share the one-page recruitment flier (pdf), "Brief 2009 Fellowship Overview." Visit the "News and Events" box on the Frontiers homepage: <http://www.frontiersinphys.org/>

**b. APS Education Office Receives NIH Science Education Partnership Award!**  
<http://www.nih.gov/news/health/oct2008/ncrr-30.htm> - For a full description of projects, visit: [www.ncrr.nih.gov/sepa/2008](http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/sepa/2008)

**c. Experimental Biology (EB) 2009 Abstract Submissions:** See RT News.22 for details:  
<http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/pdfs/APS%202008%20RT%20News.22.pdf>

**d. Quick links to the 2008 RT Webpages:**  
Homepage link: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/index.shtml>  
Assignments: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/assignment.shtml>

### 3. RESOURCES

#### ...On Equity

- **Stereotypes turn U.S. girls, boys away from math** (*from the New York Times*)  
[http://www.nytimes.com/2008/10/10/education/10math.html?\\_r=1&oref=slogin](http://www.nytimes.com/2008/10/10/education/10math.html?_r=1&oref=slogin)

#### ...On Assessments

- **Report: Personalizing Assessments To Improve Instruction** (*from THE Journal*)  
<http://www.thejournal.com/articles/23461>

#### ...On Technology

- **Students, Teachers attend iTunes U** (*from Edutopia*)  
<http://www.edutopia.org/itunes-u-professional-development>

- **"Digital Disconnect" divides kids, educators** (*from eSchool News*)  
<http://www.eschoolnews.com/news/top-news/index.cfm?i=55665>

#### ...On Policy

- **New tests may pressure schools to restore more science instruction** (*from the Washington Post*): <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2008/10/26/AR2008102601954.html>

#### 4. OPPORTUNITIES

- **NEW!** Connected to a student teacher? **Check out the Knowles Science Teaching Foundation Teaching Fellowships:** [http://www.kstf.org/teaching\\_fellowships\\_home.aspx](http://www.kstf.org/teaching_fellowships_home.aspx)  
**Deadline: Jan. 14, 2009.**

- **The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship, Deadline: Jan. 13, 2009**  
<http://www.trianglecoalition.org/ein.htm>

The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship is a paid fellowship for K-12 math, science, and technology teachers. Einstein Fellows spend a school year in Washington, DC serving in a federal agency or on Capitol Hill. To be considered for an Einstein Fellowship for the 2009-2010 school year, apply and submit three letters of recommendation online by January 13, 2009.

- **Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching**  
<http://www.paemst.org/controllers/home.cfc?method=view>

The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) is the highest recognition that a kindergarten through 12th-grade mathematics or science teacher may receive for outstanding teaching in the United States. This program authorizes the President to bestow up to 108 awards each year. The National Science Foundation administers PAEMST on behalf of The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy. The online application system will open for 2009 applications, for secondary teachers (grades 7-12), on or around Nov. 1, 2008.

#### 5. LISTSERV INFORMATION

- We hope you will use the 2008 RT listserv to share resources and ideas and to ask questions of your fellow RTs. Please take a minute to review the information about how this listserv works at the 2008 RT website: <http://www.the-aps.org/education/2008rts/listserv.shtml>. Also listed on this page are your fellow RTs' email addresses, as well as each of these APS RT News in pdf form.

**As always, feel free to directly contact Mel ([mlimson@the-aps.org](mailto:mlimson@the-aps.org)) in the APS Education Office with questions, suggestions or concerns.**