



### Washington Group International awards first education grants

Washington Group International last week awarded \$500 each to 10 teachers from schools in Hermiston, Umatilla, Stanfield and Irrigon, the four communities that border the Umatilla Chemical Depot. Washington Group spokesman Hal McCune said the Education Grant Program initiated this year at the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCDF) will provide financial support for teachers annually.

"School budgets are tight, but teachers are always looking for ways to excite and motivate their students," McCune said. "These grants are intended to allow our hard-working teachers to use some innovative techniques and equipment that are out of reach with their normal budgets."

The grants will be used to enhance math, science and technology instruction in a variety of ways, from using CO-2 race cars to teach Newton's Laws, aerodynamics and wood-working skills to a computer program that teaches math and engineering concepts through the creation of maps and floor plans. Other uses for the grants include purchasing a color video camera with a microscope attached, an interactive computer program that addresses the earth's seasons and plate tectonics, electronic balances for lab use and materials to prepare a team of students to compete in the Lego League Robotics competition.

### Congratulations to the winning teachers!

- **Tim McCreary**, Hermiston High School
- **J.D. Brazil**, Armand Larive Middle School, Hermiston
- **Robert Smith** and **Mike Gaulke**, Sandstone Middle School, Hermiston
- **Jerry McMichael**, Umatilla High School
- **Cynthia Townsend**, Clara Brownell Middle School, Umatilla
- **Amy Kaser**, Stanfield Secondary School
- **Stephanie Ray** and **Laurie Harmon** (one grant), Stanfield Elementary School
- **Gary Hunt**, Irrigon High School
- **Judy Brown** and **Tonya Pomeroy** (one grant), A.C. Houghton Elementary, Irrigon

### UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 250 days since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).
- The 10,000th GB-filled 155mm projectile was processed on March 13.

### Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing

(March 8 - 14, 2007)

Total number GB-filled 155mm projectiles processed this period	1,853
Total number GB-filled 155mm projectiles processed to date	10,287
Percentage of total GB projectiles processed to date	39.8
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 8, 2004)	118,424
Total pounds of GB chemical agent destroyed this period	16,578
Nominal tons of GB chemical agent destroyed to date	893.37
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	24.03

### UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- **March 13, 2007:** Processed the 10,000th GB M121A1 155mm projectile through the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- **Feb. 1, 2007:** Processed the first GB 155mm projectiles through the MPF.
- **Jan. 25, 2007:** Began the GB 155mm projectile campaign with delivery of munitions from depot storage to the disposal facility.
- **Jan. 3, 2007:** Completed the GB 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Nov. 6, 2006:** Processed the 100,000th munition stockpiled at Umatilla.
- **Sept. 28, 2006:** Began GB M426 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Aug. 9, 2006:** Completed GB M55 rocket campaign.

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