Dear Middle-School Teacher,

Could your classroom use a cash prize of $200, $300, or even $1000?

You could be cashing that check, if you win the 2020 Garrett Morgan Sustainable Transportation Competition!

Sponsored by the US Department of Transportation, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and other industry partners, this program was created to engage students in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), perhaps leading to careers in transportation.

Here’s how it works:

- Mineta Transportation Institute (MTI) provides curriculum workbooks and teacher guides at no cost.

- Each participating teacher helps his or her class (or a team from the class) create a sustainable transportation project to present to transportation leaders from all over the U.S. in Spring. Teams receive $50 to help with project expenses.

- The project can be a demonstration, model, PowerPoint, or other presentation suitable for a video submission (MOV, MP4, Youtube, Google Drive). An MTI team member will visit the team to view their presentation or project progress before the submission date.

- On April 3, 2020, each participating team submits its work in an approved video format to irma.garcia@sjsu.edu.

- Judges will score the presentations, and the winners will be announced by a member of the United States Department of Transportation within two weeks via telephone or video call.

First place team receives a $1000 cash prize, a plaque, and an all-expenses paid trip for three to San Jose, CA for the MTI awards banquet in June.

- Second-place team receives $300 and a plaque.

- Third-place team receives $200 and a plaque.

- All students who compete will receive a signed certificate.

For more information about the program, visit the MTI website’s Garrett Morgan page at https://transweb.sjsu.edu/education/garrett-morgan-program. The site includes samples of the workbook and entry forms, and videos from previous competitions.

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