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*Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program*

## The 2017-18 Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship Awardees

The U.S. Department of Energy and partnering Federal agencies selected twelve outstanding science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) educators as the 2017-18 Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellows. They were selected to serve the 11-month fellowship in Washington, DC, within the offices of three sponsoring agencies and five Congressional Offices.

The 2017-18 Einstein Fellows were selected from a nationwide pool of applicants through a rigorous application and interview process, and begin their appointments September 1, 2017.

The 2017-18 Albert Einstein Fellows, listed by sponsoring agency, are:

### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Ruth Ann Dunn**, a high school science teacher from West Townshend, VT. Ruth Ann is sponsored by the Department of Energy's Office of Science and will serve as a Congressional Fellow on Capitol Hill.

**John Galisky**, a high school science and robotics teacher from Lompoc, CA. John is sponsored by the Department of Energy's Office of Science and will serve as a Congressional Fellow on Capitol Hill.

**Evan Smith**, a high school mathematics teacher from New York, NY. Evan is sponsored by the Department of Energy's Office of Science and will serve as a Congressional Fellow on Capitol Hill.

**Gretel von Barga**n, a high school science teacher from Issaquah, WA. Gretel will serve at the Department of Energy's Office of Science.

**Jennifer Wise**, a middle school math teacher from Columbia, SC. Jennifer is sponsored by the Department of Energy's Office of Science and will serve as a Congressional Fellow on Capitol Hill.

**Chris Wright**, a high school math teacher from Towson, MD. Chris is sponsored by the Department of Energy's Office of Science and will serve as a Congressional Fellow on Capitol Hill.

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

**Michael Romano**, a high school science teacher from Somerville, MA. Michael will serve at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Goddard Space Flight Center, MD and NASA Headquarters, DC.

**Lisa Wininger**, a middle school science teacher from Portage, MI. Lisa will serve at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate.

## **NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**Rebekah Hammack**, a middle school STEM teacher from Stillwater, OK. Rebekah will serve at the National Science Foundation, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings.

**Kimberly Hermans**, a high school computer science teacher from Newport Beach, CA. Kimberly will serve at the National Science Foundation, Directorate for Computer and Information Science & Engineering, Division of Computer and Network Systems.

**Kelly McCarthy**, a high school math and physics teacher from Coal Township, PA. Kelly will serve at the National Science Foundation, Directorate of Geosciences, Office of the Assistant Director.

**David Steele**, a high school mathematics teacher from Atlanta, GA. David will serve at the National Science Foundation, Directorate for Education and Human Resources, Division of Human Resource Development.