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TUNE IN FOR THE ‘JEOPARDY!’ TEACHERS TOURNAMENT MAY 8-19

Two-Week Event Presented by Farmers Insurance® Thank America’s Teachers®

CULVER CITY, CALIF. (May 1, 2017) – Next week is National Teacher Appreciation Week, and JEOPARDY! will do its part to honor teachers and recognize their lasting contributions when the Teachers Tournament begins Monday, May 8. The JEOPARDY! Teachers Tournament, presented by Farmers Insurance® in affiliation with the insurer group’s Thank America’s Teachers® program, features 15 of the country’s sharpest educators competing for the $100,000 grand prize and a spot in the next Tournament of Champions.

“The quality of the contestants and the games in this year’s Teachers Tournament is exceptional, perhaps better than any tournament I can remember,” said JEOPARDY! host Alex Trebek. “It gives me great pleasure to know that their students are in such capable hands, and I know their schools’ communities will enjoy watching them compete on our program.”

Additionally, Farmers Insurance, through its Thank America’s Teachers program, will present each of the contestants with a $2,500 educational grant to fund classroom projects. In 2017, Farmers Insurance will award teachers more than $1 million in grants, supporting proposals that help make a difference in the lives of students across the country. More information, as well as an opportunity to personally thank a teacher or to vote for a teacher’s proposal throughout the year, can be found at ThankAmericasTeachers.com.

The contestant field is as follows, listed alphabetically by last name:

- Gail Ansheles, a kindergarten teacher at El Dorado Community School in Santa Fe, N.M.
- Michael Camp, a Spanish teacher at Homewood-Flossmoor High School in Flossmoor, Ill.
- Holly Cannon, a chemistry teacher at Klein High School in Klein, Texas
- David Clemmons, an 11th grade U.S. History teacher at Keller High School in Keller, Texas
- Nan Cohen, a high school English teacher at Viewpoint School in Calabasas, Calif.
- George Deane, a humanities teacher at Colchester High School in Colchester, Vt.
- Lindsey Henry, a first grade teacher at Dean-Highland Elementary School in Waco, Texas
- Sara Holub, a choir teacher at Preble High School in Green Bay, Wisc.
- Dennis McDonald, a math teacher at Talbott Springs Elementary School in Columbia, Md.
- Stephanie Mitchell, an eighth grade language arts teacher at Effingham Junior High School in Effingham, Ill.
- Susannah Nichols, a high school English teacher at The Roeper School in Birmingham, Mich.
- Mary Parker, a French and English teacher at Rogers Heritage High School in Rogers, Ark.
- Eduardo Sevilla, an eighth-12th grade math teacher at Middleburg Academy in Middleburg, Va.
- Graham Toben, a middle school English teacher at Castilleja School in Palo Alto, Calif.
- Cody Vest, an English teacher at Rogers Heritage High School in Rogers, Ark.
For more information about the JEOPARDY! Teachers Tournament, please visit Jeopardy.com.

JEOPARDY!, America’s Favorite Quiz Show®, and its host, Alex Trebek, are in their 33rd season in syndication. With 23 million viewers each week, JEOPARDY! is the top-rated quiz show on television, and has won several awards and distinctions over the course of its 30+ years on the air, including setting a Guinness World Records® record for the most Emmy® Awards won by a TV game show. JEOPARDY! is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment Company; Harry Friedman is Executive Producer. JEOPARDY! is distributed domestically by CBS Television Distribution and internationally by CBS Television International, both units of CBS Corp. For more information, please visit Jeopardy.com.

About Thank America’s Teachers
Through Thank America’s Teachers®, Farmers® will give away more than $1,000,000 to educators in 2017 and the public will help determine who receives the grants at www.ThankAmericasTeachers.com. Farmers will award 180 grants valued at $2,500 throughout the year, in addition to the five $100,000 Dream Big Teacher Challenge® grants, awarded at the end of this year.

About Farmers Insurance
"Farmers Insurance®" and "Farmers®" are tradenames for a group of affiliated insurers providing insurance for automobiles, homes and small businesses and a wide range of other insurance and financial services and products. Farmers Insurance is proud to serve more than 10 million households with over 19 million individual policies nationally, through the efforts of more than 48,000 exclusive and independent agents and approximately 21,000 employees. Farmers Insurance Exchange, the largest of the three primary insurance insurers that make up Farmers Insurance, is recognized as one of the largest U.S. companies on the 2016 Fortune 500 list.

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