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BAKING EDUCATOR CONTEST

Baking educators are encouraged to enter the Home Baking Association Educator Award Contest. The Home Baking Association (HBA) will award \$1,000 and a trip to the October 2011 HBA Annual Meeting in Stowe, Vermont. Each year the association seeks to reward educators who have implemented outstanding classroom or community programs that teach children of all ages to bake.

Classroom educators and community youth organization program leaders are eligible to enter. Family and consumer science educators and youth organization leaders for 4-H, Boys and Girls Clubs, Camp Fire USA and other after-school or community programs are encouraged to share successful baking lessons or activities. Youth who have developed baking programs that teach other youth to bake are also invited to enter. All entrants will receive a complimentary teaching resource from the Home Baking Association.

"Baking is a great activity that schools and organizations can create together in communities to teach skills to young children". Baking provides opportunities to teach math, reading, organization, nutrition, meal planning, purchasing and other skills that children will use their entire life says Home Baking Association Executive Director, Charlene Patton. An application form and additional information can be found at www.homebaking.org. Entries may be mailed or sent electronically through the web-site. Entry deadline is March 31, 2011.

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