The Olds family of Nacogdoches, Texas established an Endowment Fund to provide an award each semester for the outstanding student teacher in the Department of Elementary Education. Each fall and spring semester this is awarded to a nominated student teacher. The outstanding student teacher selected for this award receives:

- $100
- Certificate of Award
- Recognition at end of semester student teaching banquet and/or Life-Long Learning Conference.
- Press releases will be sent to hometown media and Nacogdoches area media.
- Name on plaque on the second floor of the Early Childhood Research Center.
- Announcement on the electronic display boards in the Early Childhood Research Center.

Student teachers are to be nominated by their field supervisors. Nomination packets are to be completed and returned to the Department of Elementary Education a minimum of 3 weeks before the end of the semester. Nomination forms, requirements and process will be emailed to all university field supervisors. These can also be found in each of the ELE 442 classes.

Selection of the recipient(s) of the Olds Family Award shall be the responsibility of the Department of Elementary Education under the supervision of the departmental chair in accordance with established procedures for selecting the outstanding student teacher.

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