

Fort Hood teacher wins national award

Donna Bownds, a Clear Creek Elementary School teacher on Fort Hood, will be honored June 16-19 during this year's Cable's **Leaders in Learning Award** event.

During the four-day awards gala in Washington, D.C., Bownds and 13 other national winners will have



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the opportunity to learn from each other. The winners will also meet with members of Congress, and cable and education leaders.

"I am honored to have been chosen as a Leaders in

Learning Award winner. The Take a

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Veteran to School Day initiative means a lot to me because I am an Army veteran, and I teach on a military installation where I see firsthand the continual sacrifices and dedication of our servicemen and women, both past and present," Bownds said.

Local veterans visited her school and shared stories about their service while linking their work in the military and their current jobs with what students learn in the classroom.

In addition to the four-day trip to Washington, Bownds will receive \$3,000 from Cable in the Classroom.

