

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY SAFE AND SMART WEBSITE  
TEACHER REGISTRATION PROMOTION**

**NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT OF ANY KIND NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. THIS PROMOTION IS INTENDED FOR PLAY IN THE UNITED STATES ONLY AND WILL BE GOVERNED BY U.S. LAW. DO NOT ENTER IF YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE AND LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES AT THE TIME OF ENTRY. OPEN TO LEGAL RESIDENT OF 50 UNITED STATES AND D.C. 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WHO ENTER FROM WITHIN THE 50 UNITED STATES OR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.**

**1. Description of Promotion:** Teachers who register with the Safe and Smart website will have access to specialized resources to support curriculum and instructions. Teachers will be invited to register at the site through a unique portal. Emails inviting teachers to register will be sent seven times between October 22, 2018 and April 30, 2019. On May 1, 2019, ten teacher names will be drawn from all registrations to receive a \$250 gift card to an online retailer. The ten awards will be allocated based on customer count across the CenterPoint Energy corporate footprint as of promotion launch date (October 22, 2018).

**2. Eligibility:** The CenterPoint Energy Safe and Smart Website Teacher Registration Promotion is open to legal residents of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia, who are 18 years of age or older, and, at the time of registration, a public, private or parochial Elementary School teacher in the company's electric and natural gas service territories as of the promotion launch date who have received an email inviting them to participate in the Promotion. "Elementary School" shall be defined as one with minimum of grades Kindergarten through fourth.

Employees, contractors, directors, or officers of any CenterPoint Energy company and members of their immediate families (spouse, grandparents, parents, siblings, children, and grandchildren) or persons residing in the same household of such employee are not eligible to participate. The Promotion is void where prohibited or restricted by law and are subject to all federal, state and local laws and regulations. By entering the Promotion, entrants agree to abide by and be bound by these Official Rules and the decisions of the Sponsor, as defined in further detail below, which shall be final and binding in all respects. Limit one (1) registration per person/email address.

**3. Promotions Entry Period:** The Sweepstakes runs from 8:00:00 a.m. CT on Monday, October 22, 2018 to 5:00:00 p.m. CT on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 ("Promotion Period").

**4. Sponsor:** The Promotion Sponsor and Administrator is CenterPoint Energy Community Relations, 1111 Louisiana, 33<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002.

**5. How to Enter the Promotion:** To be considered for the promotion, visit [www.safeandsmart.org/safe-and-smart-teachers](http://www.safeandsmart.org/safe-and-smart-teachers) and follow the instructions to complete the registration. Upon submitting a valid registration, participants will be entered into a prize drawing corresponding to the service territory in which the entrant's Elementary School is located ("Service Territory"), as determined by Sponsor. Valid entries must contain all information requested. All entries become the property of Sponsor and will not be acknowledged or returned. Any other form of entry is void. Sponsor is not responsible for lost, late, illegible, misdirected or incomplete entries.

Please see the privacy policy located at: <https://safeandsmart.org/images/main/CenterPoint-Privacy-Policy-01-02-2017.pdf> for details of Sponsor's policy regarding the use of personal information collected in connection with this sweepstakes. If you are selected as a winner, your information may also be included in a publicly-available winner's list. Automated entries are prohibited, and any use of automated devices will cause disqualification. Sponsor reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual (and all of his or her entries) who tampers with the entry process. Entrants may not register with multiple email addresses nor use any other device or artifice to register multiple times or as multiple registrants. Any entrant who attempts to enter with multiple email addresses under multiple identities or uses any device or artifice to register/play multiple times will be disqualified and forfeits any and all prizes won, in Sponsor's discretion.

**6. Prizes (10):** Each winner will receive one (1) gift card for an online retailer in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00 USD). Total Approximate Retail Value: \$250.00 USD. Limit one (1) prize per person/household. Prizes are non-transferable and no cash equivalent or substitution of prize is offered, except at the sole discretion of the Sponsor. If a prize, or any portion thereof, cannot be awarded for any reason, Sponsor reserves the right to substitute prize with another prize of equal or greater value. Gift cards are subject to terms and conditions as set forth by the issuer. Unclaimed prizes will not be awarded. Prize winners will be solely responsible for all federal, state and/or local taxes, and for any other fees or costs associated with the prize they receive, regardless of whether it, in whole or in part, are used.

**7. Winner Selection:** Winners will be selected from each Service Territory as follows: five (5) winners will be selected from the Houston Service Territory; two (2) winners will be selected from the Minnesota Service Territory; one (1) winner will be selected from the Arkansas/Oklahoma Service Territory; one (1) winner will be selected from the Louisiana/Mississippi Service Territory; and one (1) winner will be selected from the Texas Service Territory outside of Houston. Winners will be selected via a random drawing conducted by Sponsor on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, from all eligible entries received for the respective Service Territory. Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible entries received for the Service Territory corresponding to the drawing.

Potential winners will be notified by email and will have forty-eight (48) hours to respond to the notification. Potential winners must respond to Sponsor at the Sponsor email address that was used to contact the potential winners. If no response is received, Sponsor will follow up with a telephone call and will allow an additional forty-eight (48) hours for a response. Potential

winners must respond to Sponsor via the Sponsor's phone number that was used to contact the potential winner. If no response is received by the deadline, alternate winners will be selected. Potential winners are subject to verification, including verification of age. If any of the potential winners are found not to be eligible or not in compliance with these Official Rules, or if prize notification or any prize is returned as undeliverable, the potential winners will be disqualified. In the event that any potential winner is disqualified for any reason, Sponsor reserves the right to award the prize to a second place finalist. Sponsor is not responsible for any change of email address, mailing address and/or telephone number of entrants.

**8. Release:** By entering the CenterPoint Energy Safe and Smart Teacher Registration Promotion each entrant agrees (i) to be bound by these rules and all decisions of the Sponsor, which shall be final in all matters relating to the Promotions; (ii) to hold Sponsor and its affiliates, subsidiaries, advertising and promotion agencies, and each of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and assignee harmless from and against any and all claims, damages and liability of any kind arising from or in connection with the awarding, receipt, acceptance, possession or use/misuse of any prize, or participation in the Promotions or in any award-related activities thereunder, (iii) to assume all risk and liability in connection with the forgoing; (iv) to waive all rights to claim punitive, incidental, consequential, or any other damages, other than for actual out-of-pocket expenses; (v) all causes of action arising out of or connected with this sweepstakes, or any prize awarded, shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action; and (vi) any and all claims, judgments, and awards shall be limited to actual out-of-pocket costs incurred, excluding attorneys' fees and court costs.

Winners consent to and grant permission to the use of his/her name, voice, likeness, photographic or video image, and hometown without additional compensation, for any and all publicity or advertising purposes in any media or format(s) now known or hereafter devised, worldwide, in perpetuity, by CenterPoint Energy and its respective designees, unless prohibited by law.

If an entrant is found in violation of these rules he/she may be required to forfeit his/her prize. Winner and all entrants agree and understand that the eligibility and opportunity to win are further conditioned upon Sponsor's determination as to eligibility and compliance with all contest rules and requirements. Sponsor reserves the right to make rule or other changes without notice at any time.

**9. Governing Law & Jurisdiction:** The Promotions and Official Rules are governed by US law and are subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of entrants and Sponsor in connection with the Promotions, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Texas, without giving effect to the conflict of laws rules thereof, and any matters or proceedings shall take place in the State of Texas, in the City of Houston.

**10. General Conditions:** CenterPoint Energy is not responsible for any errors or omissions in the text or for printing or typographical errors in any Promotions-related materials or for online transactions that are processed late or incorrectly or are lost due to computer or electronic

malfunction. Sponsor reserves the right to cancel or modify the Promotions if fraud, virus, bugs, or technical failure compromises the integrity of the promotion as determined by Sponsor in its sole discretion. Sponsor is not responsible for technical, computer system, program malfunction, hardware, software or telephone failures of any kind, including without limitation incomplete, garbled or delayed computer transmission, whether caused by Sponsor, the user, or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the promotion, or by any technical or human error which may occur in the process of submissions which may limit an entrant's ability to participate in the Promotions.

**11. Winners:** For the name of the winners, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: CenterPoint Energy Safe and Smart Teacher Registration Promotion Winners List; Community Relations; P.O. Box 1700; Houston, TX 77251.