



NATIVE AMERICAN CAUCUS EDUCATIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM 2006 Project Criteria and Essay Form

Awards Program Description

The Native American Caucus of the California Democratic Party is pleased to announce the Educational Awards Program. The Awards Program will provide recognition for students and their teachers who demonstrate an understanding of the contribution and impact of Native American Heritage in ensuring respect for all peoples, nature and individual innovation.

General Awards Criteria:

Entries must focus on one or more of the following.

- Nature
- Traditional Stories
- Human and civil rights
- Social justice
- Empowerment of the disenfranchised
- Innovation and education

Eligibility:

An entry shall consist of a project or essay from one student or a group project of no more than 3 students (K-12) in conjunction with a teacher. Entries from each grade level will be eligible for an award.

The projects/essays must be submitted in the following categories and meet the following specifications:

Category 1: Written Essays

- Length of essay
 - K-2 Age appropriate composition
 - 3-5 100 – 300 words
 - 6-8 250 - 500 words
 - 9-12 550 – 1000 words
- Format of essay
 1. 1" margin all around
 2. K-2 & 3 student's best writing manuscript or cursive
 3. Double-spaced 12pt Front
 - Grades 4 - 8 identify typist
 - Grades 9-12 must be typed by student, if not include note explaining the circumstances.
 4. Cover Sheet with title of essay, student's full name, school and district, grade level, and teachers name and a contact name with phone number.
 5. Staple upper left corner. No paper clips or folders.

Category 2: Visual Arts

Painting, Drawings, Collages, Posters, Original Technologically Generated Art

- Size of art entry: 8 ½" x 11" to 18" x 24" (including matted/border edge)
- Media (mixed media accepted)
 - Drawings (Pastel, Pencil, Ink, Charcoal)
 - Paintings (Oil, Watercolor, Acrylic, Airbrush, Tempera)

Posters (Block Printing, Silk Screen)

Collages

Original Technologically Generated Art

- Must be display ready. Provide border around artwork.
- Must provide a written explanation (one-third of the determining score)

All visual arts entries must have a typed or legibly printed label with the following information: title of work, full name of student, school and district, grade level, teacher's name, and media.

The written explanation must also include all of the above information.

Entries and Applications that do not meet all specifications will not be considered.

Deadline Must be received by: November 10, 2006

**Send entries to: Native American Caucus
150 S. Glenoaks Blvd. #9238
Burbank CA 91502**



Awards Program Application

Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Age/Grade of Student: _____

Teacher/Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work # _____

Fax # _____ Cell # _____

E-mail _____ School Name: _____

Please attach this application to the submission and mail to:

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