



**César E. Chávez  
Essay Contest  
Application**

Submit completed applications and essays to:  
César E. Chávez Essay Contest  
Attention: Mario E. Aguilar, UCSD EAOP  
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**Entries must be postmarked by March 10, 2008**

The San Diego César E. Chávez Commemorative Committee and  
The University of California, San Diego  
Early Academic Outreach Program  
Tenth Annual High School Essay Contest

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**Essay Thought: the Future – César stated in a 1984 speech that:**

"...Hispanics across California and the nation who don't work in agriculture are better off today because of what the farm workers taught people about organization, about pride and strength, about seizing control over their own lives.

Tens of thousands of the children and grandchildren of farm workers and the children and grandchildren of poor Hispanics are moving out of the fields and out of the barrios--and into the professions and into business and into politics. And that movement cannot be reversed!"

**Essay Topic:**

**Question:** If you come from a farmworker family, tell us what you have done to help your family succeed in the future. If you are not from a farmworker family, tell us what you, as an individual, can do to help farmworkers and their families succeed in the future (for example in education, business, and politics etc.).

**Guidelines:** Write a two-page, typed and double-spaced essay answering all the questions and ideas presented. Be sure to develop your story in a clear and concise manner. Include your name, address, phone number and school name on the first page of each essay, along with this attached and completed application.

**DEADLINE FOR POSTMARK OF ENTRIES IS MONDAY, MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2008**

For more information call Mario E. Aguilar at (858) 245-5700 or email [meaguilar@ucsd.edu](mailto:meaguilar@ucsd.edu)

**[www.sdchavezcommittee.org](http://www.sdchavezcommittee.org)**

All prizes will be awarded at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual César E. Chávez Commemorative Breakfast to be held at the San Diego Convention Center on Thursday March 27, 2008. The Grand Prize Winner will be invited to read his/her essay onstage. The winners will also be recognized at the UCSD community celebration honoring César E. Chávez. This essay contest is open to San Diego, Imperial, and Orange County students in grades 9-12. Past winners are ineligible to participate. All submitted essays will become the property of the San Diego César E. Chávez Commemorative Committee. Winners will be chosen by a panel of representatives from the SDCECC and UCSD EAOP.