



## CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE NATIONAL ESSAY CONTEST

The Grand Lodge of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance sponsors this essay contest to provide a forum for expression by the youth who will be the future leaders of the in the United States.

Contest Date and Location:	Saturday, March 8, 2008, commencing at 10:00 a.m. and concluding at 12:00 p.m. Salinas Confucius Church, 1 California St. Salinas. CA	
Eligibility:	Open to any student enrolled in senior high school (grades 9-12). No entry fee required.	
Requirements:	Participants in the Contest are to compose an essay in English not to exceed 500 words, at their Chinese American Citizens Alliance Lodge or a location designated by the Lodge on a subject regarding the Chinese in the United States. The exact essay topic will be announced at the time of the contest.	
Judging:	An impartial board of judges will be selected by the sponsor to judge the winners. Each essay will be judged on the basis of originality, clarity of thought and expression. The decision of the judges on all matters submitted and their interpretation of the rules will be final, conclusive and binding on all contestants.	
Scholarship Awards:	First Prize:	\$1,000.00 and Certificate
	Second Prize:	\$700.00 and Certificate
	Third Prize:	\$500.00 and Certificate
	10 Awards of Merit:	\$100.00 and Certificate

Deadline date is March 5, 2008. All entry forms must be completed and mailed to:  
Candice Chin, 628 Melrose Dr. Salinas, CA 93901

X-----OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM-----X

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CHINESE NAME IN CHINESE (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE AND POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL NAME & GRADE LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

AS A CONDITION OF ENTERING THE CONTEST, THE ESSAYS SUBMITTED BY ALL CONTESTANTS SHALL BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE, GRAND LODGE AND THE LOCAL LODGES FOR USE AND PUBLICATION AS THE LODGES MAY SEE FIT WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF OR REMUNERATION OF ANY KIND TO THE CONTESTANTS.