



2016 National Essay Competition Announced Saturday, March 5 at Locations Across the Country

San Francisco, CA--Since its beginning thousands of high school students across the nation have participated in the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) National Essay Contest. The essay contest is intended to foster creative thinking and self-expression and encourage an awareness of current local and world events. Top placing finishers receive cash scholarship towards their education endeavors.

This annual contest is open to any student enrolled in high school (grades 9-12). No entry fee required. Participants are given either 90 minutes (laptop users) or 2 hours (Blue Book users) to compose an essay in English not to exceed 500 words on a contemporary topic concerning the Chinese and Asian American communities. The essay topic is given at the time of the contest.

Following on the success of last year's contest, participants will have the opportunity to bring and use their laptop computer to compose their essay. All other participants will be given a Blue Book to compose their essay.

This year's contest will be held **Saturday, March 5, 2016**, commencing at 10:00 a.m.

(local time), unless otherwise noted.

Please contact your nearest representative for additional information and/or to register (all relevant materials listed below in dropdown menu). Please go to the C.A.C.A.

National website for applications and contest locations at: http://cacanational.org/htmlPages/education.html. Deadline date to register is February 29, 2016.

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Chinese American Citizens Alliance

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance, established in 1895, is among the oldest civil rights organizations in the United States. Headquartered in San Francisco with chapter/lodges in Albuquerque (NM), Boston (MA), Chicago (IL), Greater San Gabriel Valley (CA), Houston (TX), Las Vegas (NV), Los Angeles (CA), Mississippi, Oakland (CA), Peninsula (CA), Portland (OR), Phoenix (AZ), Salinas (CA), San Antonio (TX), San Francisco (CA), Seattle (WA), Tucson (AZ), and Washington, D.C., the Alliance addresses issues regarding voter education, political participation, racial discrimination and hate crimes, youth leadership training programs and equal employment opportunities for all Chinese Americans.

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