



# 2006 EWC Student Essay Contest



## Rules

- Applicants must be a female College/University student in good standing.
- Applications will consist of two sections: Biography and Essay
- Only one essay per applicant may be submitted for consideration.
- The topic must be original and pertain to the theme of the 2006 Enterprising Women's Conference (EWC): *10 Fold – Shaping Dreams, Realizing Return*. List any extracurricular activities, community service, achievements, and/or hobbies as examples.
- Essay must be typewritten, double-spaced paper and must be no longer than 200 words.
- If chosen, the author agrees to attend the EWC to be held Thursday, October 12, 2006, at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel, 101 Bowie Street, from 7:30 AM to 3:30 P.M. Arrangements must be made with her professors and/or employer to attend the conference on a weekday.
- All essays submitted for consideration become the property of EWC and may be used in future publications.
- Transportation must be self-provided. Please note that VIA Transit service offers several routes that stop in front of the conference location.
- CPS Energy and Sterling Bank are the proud sponsors for the "Leaders of Tomorrow". Both organizations will provide sponsorships for up to ten college students to attend the conference.
- In cases where the selected student is unable to attend the conference, an alternate will be chosen to take her seat at the conference.
- CPS Energy and Sterling Bank will provide mentors who will be assigned to each essay winner to explain and/or answer questions related to the purpose of the EWC.

## Deadline Dates

- The essay application will be available on the North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce website: [www.northsachamber.com](http://www.northsachamber.com) beginning Tuesday, August 1, 2006.
- The essay application must be postmarked and mailed no later than Friday, September 8, 2006 to:

Sandra P. Hernandez  
CPS Energy/EWC  
Maildrop: 390102  
P. O. Box 1771  
San Antonio, TX 78296-1771

## Judging

- Selected members of the North San Antonio Chamber of Commerce and EWC committee will serve as Judges. They will be responsible to the EWC Chair.
- Essays will be based on the following criteria:
  - ✓ Quality of information: Does the information clearly relate to the topic?  
Are several supporting details provided?
  - ✓ Organization: Is the essay organized with well-constructed paragraphs?
- Winners will be notified by mail and/or email no later than September 22, 2006.
- **The decisions of the judges are final.**

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## Essay

Please write a typewritten, double-spaced essay, no more than 200 words, on the theme of the 2006 Enterprising Women's Conference (EWC): *10 Fold – Shaping Dreams, Realizing Return*. This year's theme is based on the quote by Eleanor Roosevelt, "*The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.*"

Explain what this quote means to you. Include examples of what your dreams are and how you hope to achieve them. Also, tell us why you would like to attend this conference and what you hope to gain from the experience.

Make sure to have your full application postmarked and mailed by Friday, September 8, 2006 to the following address:

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If you have any questions, you may contact Ms. Hernandez at 210-843-7051.

# Application Checklist

Did you remember?

- ✓ Biographical Information sheet with signature
- ✓ Essay written addressing the conference theme

The EWC Education Committee looks forward to reviewing your application and essay.

Remember, the conference is held every year, so if we do not choose your essay this year, make sure to apply again next year!

