

2017 Cesar Chavez Essay Contest



Topics (Choose One)

- (1) Why are farm workers important in Georgia?**
- (2) Cesar Chavez & Rev. Martin L. King, Jr. both believed in peaceful nonviolent protests. Why was this ideology important to the civil rights movement?**
- (3) How has Cesar Chavez influenced your life and what impact will his work have on your future?**
- (4) Why should we have a national holiday honoring Cesar Chavez?**

Official Rules and Regulations

1. To enter you must be a high school student or an adult residing within the State of Georgia. All entrants who are under the age of eighteen (18) at the time of the entry must have the permission of at least one (1) of their parents and/or legal guardians to enter. By entering the Contest, entrants and/or their parents or legal guardians (if such entrants are minors): (i) agree to accept and be bound by all terms of these Official Rules and Regulations (“Official Rules”), and (ii) agree that the Executive Director of GALEO has total autonomy over any disputes or issues arising from or relating to the Contest.
2. To be eligible, complete and submit the following no later than February 13, 2017: (i) the completed Official Entry Form which includes the signed permission and media release from the entrant’s parent or legal guardian if the entrant is a minor, and (ii) a typewritten, double-spaced essay and numbered pages of no more than 500 words in length, which answers a topic question above in Spanish or English.
3. All eligible entries received by the dates specified will be judged equally on the following criteria: clarity of message, creativity, accuracy of content, potential to draw attention to policies which improve the lives of farm workers, and conventions of writing an essay. The decisions of the judges will be final and binding on all participants.
4. The winners will be notified by the sponsor at the telephone number or email address provided on his/her Official Entry Form. Winners must also meet all eligibility requirements, including the execution and return of all necessary releases.
5. THERE WILL BE ONE FIRST PLACE ADULT WINNER, ONE HIGH SCHOOL FIRST PLACE WINNER AND ONE ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL) HIGH SCHOOL WINNER. FIRST PLACE WINNERS WILL READ THEIR ESSAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL FOR THE 10TH ANNUAL CESAR CHAVEZ CELEBRATION AT THE CAPITOL AT 11:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2017. Winners may also qualify for prizes, if applicable.
6. The sponsor expressly disclaims any responsibility and entrants (or their parents or legal guardians if such entrant is a minor) agree to release, indemnify and hold the sponsor for liability, damages, or claims for injury or loss to any person or property (including death) relating to, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, participation in this contest, claims on publicity rights, defamation, or invasion of privacy. The sponsor for this contest is the GALEO Leadership Council and GALEO, the Georgia Association of Latino Elected Officials, a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization.

**GALEO Leadership Council/GALEO
2017 Cesar Chavez Essay Contest
CONSENT / MEDIA RELEASE FORM**

High School Educator (if applicable, not required)

High School _____

I, (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) _____, confirm that the student entrant listed below is the author of his/her essay and I did not provide editing assistance.

Parent/Legal Guardian of a Minor Child

I, (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) _____, the parent or legal guardian, as appropriate, of _____, give my consent for him/her to participate in all activities associated with the 2017 Cesar Chavez Essay Contest and the 10th Annual Cesar Chavez Celebration at the Capitol.

OR

Adult Contestant

I, (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) _____, am of sound mind and body hereby consent to participate in all activities associated with the 2017 Cesar Chavez Essay Contest and the 10th Annual Cesar Chavez Celebration at the Capitol. I give permission to GALEO, and its agents, to use in connection with any publication (including but not limited to brochures, booklets, videotapes, reports, press releases, Web sites, and exhibits) any image or recording in which I may appear, to use and cite any comment(s), verbal or written, made by me, and to use my name in connection with any publication and in such manner as determined by the Executive Director, Jerry Gonzalez.

I hereby release and discharge the GALEO Leadership Council, their officers, agents, servants, and employees, and persons, firms, or corporations contracting with, or acting on behalf of, GALEO with respect to all activities associated with this essay contest and the 10th Annual Cesar Chavez Celebration at the Capitol.

(Print Name of Parent/Legal Guardian of minor Contestant
OR Print name of Adult Contestant)

(Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian of minor Contestant
OR Signature of Adult Contestant)

Date

NOTE: Entrants 18 years of age or older must complete the Adult Contestant Portion of Consent Form

Questions may be directed to: leriargueta@gmail.com

SUBMISSION: Individual entry essays should be postmarked to GALEO by February 13, 2017.

Entry materials and Consent/Media Release form should be sent to:

US MAIL:

GALEO

c/o "2017 Cesar Chavez Essay Contest"

P.O. Box 29506

Atlanta, GA 30359

FAXES NOT

ACCEPTED

Contact information (must be completed in order to qualify):

Name of person writing the Essay Entry (Contestant):

Gender of Contestant: _____ **MALE** _____ **FEMALE**

Category: **High School Entry** _____ **Adult Entry** _____

If high school entry, is this student receiving English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) services? _____

Age of Contestant: _____

Phone of Adult Contestant / Guardian or Parent of any contestant under 18 years of age:

Alternative Phone of Adult Contestant / Guardian or Parent of any contestant under 18 years of age:

Mailing Address of Adult Contestant / Guardian or Parent of any contestant under 18 years of age:

Email of Person who submitted the Essay Entry:

Email of Adult Guardian/Parent (only if under 18) of person who submitted the Essay Entry:

COUNTY of Residence in Georgia/Condado de residencia en Georgia: _____

OPTIONAL: Please note the racial/ethnic background of the person participating in the 2017 Essay Contest. This information is optional and will be used for demographic purposes only. This will not be used in the judging of the entries.

- Latino/Hispanic
 - Ethnic or National Origin Background: _____
- Non-Latino, White
- Non-Latino, Black or African American
- Asian American
- Native American Indian or Alaska Native
- Other: _____

How did you hear about the essay contest?
