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THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND

César E. Chávez, the founder and president of the United Farm Workers of America, dedicated his life to improving the plight of American farmworkers and pointing out the dangers of pesticide on food. His deep belief in the principles of nonviolence and the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. won him the admiration and respect of leaders throughout the world. He believed strongly in public schools and stated: "The purpose of all education should surely be service to others."

The César E. Chávez Memorial Education Awards Program will provide recognition for educators and their students who demonstrate an understanding of the vision and guiding principles by which César E. Chávez lived his life. The Awards Program will honor the memory of this great man and ensure that the spirit of his work continues in the classrooms of California.

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AWARDS CRITERIA

Awards must focus on one or more of the following and demonstrate which principles of César E. Chávez's legacy affect your life:

- Principles of nonviolence
- Self-determination through unionization (forming and joining unions)
- Social justice for farmworkers
- Safe food / health / environmental issues
- Human and civil rights issues
- Teamwork, cooperation, collaboration, service to others
- Empowerment of the disenfranchised
- Innovation and education

Participants must show evidence of how one or more of the above principles are evident in their lives and correlate their experience(s) to the work of César E. Chávez.

For the 2017-2018 year, eligible projects include:

Written Essays

No Biographies — Submissions that do not meet the criteria addressed by the project will be ineligible.

Visual Arts

Eligibility

A CTA member may submit up to three (3) individual entries (only one (1) entry per student per year) or a group of no more than three (3) students.

GRADE LEVEL CATEGORIES

- Pre-K, Transitional Kindergarten (artwork only) K
- First Second grade
- Third Fourth grade
- Fifth Sixth grade
- Seventh Eighth grade
- Ninth Twelfth grade
- Higher Education (Undergraduates only)

Deadline

Entries and application forms must be postmarked by December 1, 2017, and meet the application specifications in order to be considered. Forms are available online at the members-only site: www.cta.org/scholarships.

Award Categories:

- Written Essays
- Visual Arts

This competition is divided into two (2) project types: Individual or Group. The recipients, both students and sponsoring CTA members, will receive up to \$550 and their work will be recognized by the posting of visual art and written essays online and in various CTA publications. Group entries will share the Award; the exact amount will be determined by the Awards committee.