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Texas Migrant Council, Inc. announces Writing Contest

Laredo, TX – Texas Migrant Council, Inc. (TMC) and the Women’s City Club announce this year’s El Dia de los Niños Essay Writing Contest. The theme for this years contest is “College and My Future Life”. There will be trust fund scholarships given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each grade of high school. Also, the Migrant Family Aspirations Essay Award will be given to the best-written essay from a high school student that is the child of a migrant family. “We are excited once again to host El Dia de los Niños in Laredo, and look forward to reading these wonderful essays written by some of Laredo’s finest, its high school students,” stated Mary Capello, CEO.

Each essay must be three to four paragraphs long. It must be written in the classroom and identify the name, school and grade level of the student. Essays are to be turned in by the classroom teacher, a school counselor or a school administrator. “We will be visiting the different high schools and asking the teachers to invite their students to participate in the El Dia de los Niños essay contest”, stated Doug Tedford, TMC mentor.

The deadline to turn in essays will be March 30, 2007 and the winners of each grade category will be notified in advance to receive their scholarship on Monday, **April 30, 2007 at the Annual El Dia de los Niños Celebration.**

For more information on El Dia de los Niños Essay Writing Contest contact Doug Tedford at (956) 722-5174.

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