

WE THE PEOPLE

FORMING A MORE PERFECT UNION

We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

Article 1.

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.



EQUITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

MARCH 3 - 5, 2006
NEWPORT BEACH, CA

CALIFORNIA TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
HUMAN RIGHTS DEPARTMENT

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The 2006 Equity and Human Rights Conference fulfills the mandate in the CTA Statement of Mission: to ensure that the dignity and civil rights of all children and youth are protected, and to secure a more equitable and democratic society. The conference combines speakers and workshops to provide all CTA members with a basic understanding of the issues of diversity and equity.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Guest Speaker – Friday Evening

Kicking off the conference at dinner on Friday evening will be a guest speaker of note who will inspire, instruct and entertain participants with a timely message to address the issues of the day.

Workshops of Interest – Saturday and Sunday

The Conference Planning Committee has arranged for four workshop time slots, three on Saturday and one on Sunday morning. These workshops will cover topics of special interest in promoting diversity, reducing racism, celebrating women's issues and training to withstand attacks on public education. In all, some 50 workshops will be available from which to choose.

Human Rights Awards Luncheon – Saturday Noon

CTA Human Rights Awards are presented annually to honor individuals who have distinguished themselves in the advancement and protection of the human and civil rights of CTA members and students. The luncheon will recognize the 2006 award winners, and will feature CTA President Barbara Kerr as the guest speaker.

Student Entertainment – Sunday Brunch

Each year the Sunday brunch features student entertainment from local area schools. Always a highlight of the conference, the students never fail to bring the audience to its feet as they perform in this showcase of talent.

CONFERENCE AND HOTEL REGISTRATION

Visit us today at www.cta.org to register online and secure your place at the 2006 conference. On the opening page of the CTA website, click on "CTA Conferences." Then click on "Equity and Human Rights Conference" and you will be directed to the link for the registration form. The deadline for conference registration is February 15, 2006.

The conference will be held at the Marriott Newport Beach Hotel and Spa, located at 900 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, 92660. You may register for your hotel accommodations while you are in the conference registration site by clicking on the hotel link. You will be asked for a credit card number to guarantee the hotel reservation. If you prefer to contact the hotel directly, call 949-640-4000. Ask for the *CTA Conference rate* when you call. You may also go directly to www.newportbeachmarriott.com, and enter the group code CTACTAA.

In order to receive the CTA contracted hotel rate of \$129.00 (plus applicable taxes), you must make your hotel reservation by February 15, 2006. Register today to secure reservations at the conference hotel.

All expenses for accommodations are the responsibility of the individual, chapter or Service Center Council.

The hotel offers shuttle transportation from the Orange County John Wayne Airport. The shuttle is available outside the baggage claim area downstairs and leaves the airport every hour on the half hour. For your return to the airport, the shuttle leaves every hour on the hour.

MINORITY INCENTIVE GRANTS AVAILABLE

Fifteen Minority Incentive Grants are provided by CTA for the conference. These grants are awarded to participants who represent ethnic minority groups to encourage minority involvement in the leadership of CTA chapters.

Grants are also provided to under represented groups: three grants for white males, and four grants for self-identified gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender participants.

All grants cover the conference registration fees and transportation costs. All other expenses are the responsibility of the individual, chapter or Service Center Council.

Application forms are available from chapter presidents, online at www.cta.org, or by calling the CTA Conference Coordination Center at 650-552-5355. Deadline for application is December 3, 2006.

UNIVERSITY CREDIT AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

One semester unit of credit is offered for attendance during the *entire conference*. Professional Growth credit will be available, and will be awarded based on the number of workshop(s) hours attended. Look for the special registration area at the conference to sign up for both university credit and professional growth. Fees for university credit (approximately \$55 per unit) are payable by cash, check or credit card at the conference.

TRANSPORTATION

Air United Airlines is offering a 10% discount on unrestricted fares and a 5% discount on all other fares in effect when tickets are purchased through the United Convention Desk. To take advantage of this discount, you or your travel agent must call the United Convention Desk at 800-521-4041 between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Eastern time. The CTA account number for United reservations is 510CZ.

Automobile For those driving, the Marriott Newport Beach Hotel and Spa is located at 900 Newport Center Drive directly across from the Fashion Island Shopping Center in the heart of Newport Beach.

All transportation costs are the responsibility of the individual, chapter or Service Center Council.

CONFERENCE FEES

The conference registration fee includes all conference materials, dinner on Friday evening, continental breakfast and the Human Rights Awards luncheon on Saturday, and brunch on Sunday.

Fees \$150.00 for CTA members
 \$ 30.00 for Student CTA members
 \$ 75.00 for Chapter Human Rights Contacts and Women’s Issues Contacts*
 \$450.00 for non-members of CTA

The fee for Service Center Council Human Rights Contacts and Women’s Issues Contacts* is waived. See the online registration form for specifics.

Payment of fee is due at the time of registration. Payment may be made by check or credit card. Instructions for submitting payment can be found on the online registration form.

* Human Rights Contacts and Women’s Issues Contacts must be designated by the local chapter president or Service Center Council chairperson.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED

It is the goal of CTA to permit full participation at all conferences by people who are physically challenged. The Association will provide services to facilitate the participation of people who are physically challenged. Please let us know if you are physically challenged and need us to accommodate your needs. Call the CTA Conference Coordination Center at 650-552-5355 with any requests or questions.



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