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Apply by November 14th, 2025. The main purpose of this contest is to heighten the awareness of Hispanic culture and its many contributions to our community, state, and country.



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### **Attention Teachers**

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# **Judging**

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### **Awards**

Winners will be recognized at our Essay Contest Awards Breakfast on **Saturday**, **February 28**<sup>th,</sup> **2026** at the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City.

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