Information and Entry Rules for the CCBA Student Essay Contest:

The Community College Baccalaureate Association (CCBA) is conducting its 8th Annual CCBA Essay Contest to determine what students think about community colleges that offer baccalaureate (four-year) degrees. The contest is open to students in the USA, Canada and the Caribbean.

A $1,500 check and an all expense paid trip to the 11th Annual Community College Baccalaureate Association Conference in San Diego, California from February 25-27, 2011 will be awarded to the individual with the winning essay. $500 will also be awarded to the winner’s college. The scholarship prize is provided by Community College Week.

Rules For Entry

• Each contestant may submit only one essay and it must specifically address the topic.
• Contestant must be currently enrolled in a community college.
• Essay must be typed using 12-point type.
• The essay text is limited to a minimum of 400 and a maximum of 500 words.
• Essay file to be named as follows: LAST NAME, First Name, essay2011 (e.g. SMITH, Joe, essay2011)
• Essay must have the following at the top of the first page submitted:
  o Essay title, Author’s name, address, telephone number and email address
  o Community college name, address, telephone number
• Entries must be e-mailed by midnight January 15, 2011 to Dr. Beth Hagan, Community College Baccalaureate Association: EssayContest@accbd.org (early entries are encouraged)
• The winner will be notified by January 21, 2011.
• Essays will become the property of the Community College Baccalaureate Association. Submission constitutes an authorization to the CCBA to use the essays for research, and grants the CCBA the authority to publish the results of the research and the text of the essays.

Topic:
The essay contest topic is: “Why obtaining a four year degree on my community college campus would be (or is currently) important to me.”

Baccalaureate degrees are now offered on community college campuses throughout the United States and Canada through University Centers, 2+2 programs and Distance Learning. Community Colleges in fourteen states and four Canadian provinces confer the degrees themselves. Students who enter the essay contest should explore the issues of baccalaureate degrees on community college campuses.

Information about this important movement is available on the CCBA web site: www.accbd.org or by calling 239-596-7990.

Scholarship prize provided by: