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**San Diego Chinese Women's Association Announces 2009-2010 Scholarship Application**

**San Diego, CA** – The San Diego Chinese Women's Association (SDCWA) wishes to announce that their academic scholarship application for the 2009-2010 school year is now available on their website at <http://www.sdcwa.net/scholarship.html>

Each year, the SDCWA awards thousands of dollars in academic scholarships to young men and women living in San Diego County. Applicants must be graduating seniors of a San Diego County school and be of at least one-quarter Chinese descent with a minimum weighted grade point average of 3.0 and have plans for further formal education. The deadline for submission is April 1, 2010, with awards announced before the end of the school year. All eligible students are strongly encouraged to apply.

For the 2008-2009 academic year, six local high school students were awarded a total of \$9,000 in merit scholarships. Each student received \$1,500 to use for expenses at the college or university of his or her choice. Scholarship recipients attended high schools across San Diego County.

**ABOUT SDCWA** -- The San Diego Chinese Women's Association was founded in 1981 as the San Diego Chinese Women's Club, a non-profit organization. Its mission is to promote public awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the Chinese culture, including Chinese history, art, literature, customs and traditions; to assist and support other charitable organizations which provide relief and services to the Chinese community in particular, and to other groups as the membership decides; and to encourage the pursuit of higher education by members of the Chinese community through scholarship awards. Membership is open to any person interested in furthering the purposes of the organization.

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