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## CTA Scholarship Applications Are Available

CTA has recently announced that applications are now being accepted for 2006 scholarships for members and their children. There are three categories of scholarships.

1. CTA Scholarships for Members - Five \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded.
2. CTA Scholarships for Dependent Children (includes D. A. Weber Scholarship for students attending continuation and alternative education high schools that plan to continue their education in a higher education institution) - Twenty-five \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded.
3. L. Gordon Bittle Memorial Scholarship - Three \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to Student CTA members.

Each scholarship requires a separate application, letters of recommendation and verification of membership. In order to be eligible for consideration, all forms must be postmarked by **Friday, January 26**. Applications and additional information are available at the MTA office or cta.org.

## Enter the Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Education Program

The CTA Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Education Program will provide recognition for students and their teachers who demonstrate an understanding of the vision and guiding principles by which Cesar E. Chavez lived his life. The Awards Program will honor the memory of this great man and ensure that the spirit of his work continues in the classrooms of California. Entries are due **Friday, March 23**. Applications are available at the MTA office and at [www.cta.org](http://www.cta.org).

## Renew Your Credential Online! [www.ctc.ca.gov](http://www.ctc.ca.gov)

Beginning January 2007 when you renew your credential, you must renew your credential online. The Commission will no longer accept credential renewals any other way.

The application fee is \$57. Online payment methods include Visa, Mastercard, and Debit Card (with Visa or Mastercard symbol.)

*When you receive your document, please bring it into Human Resources at the District Office.*

## CTA Offers a Variety of Conference Opportunities

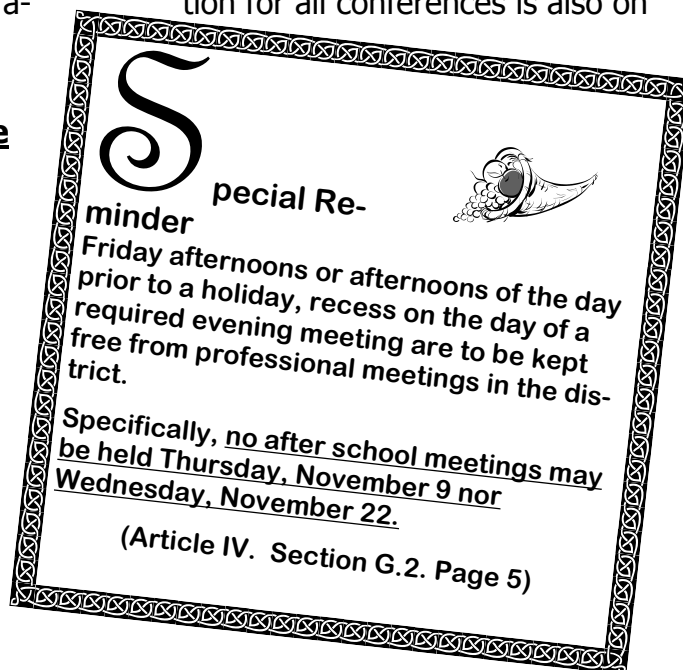
Throughout the year, the California Teachers Association (CTA) hosts statewide conferences. CTA provides several grants for each of the conferences throughout the year. Applications, criteria, and procedures are available at [cta.org](http://cta.org). Registration for all conferences is also on the CTA website.

**January 12-14**  
**Rural Issues Conference**  
**Las Vegas**

**February 23-25**  
**Urban Issues**  
**Long Beach**

**March 2-4**  
**Equity & Human Rights**  
**San Jose**

**July 29-August 3**  
**Summer Institute**  
**Los Angeles**



# CTA Recommendations for the November 7 Ballot Vote Tuesday!

## GOVERNOR - Phil Angelides

### LT. GOVERNOR

John Garamendi

### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Jerry Brown

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John Chiang

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Cruz Bustamante

### SECRETARY OF STATE

Bruce McPherson

### TREASURER

Bill Lockyer

### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION #1

Betty Yee

### BOARD OF EQUALIZATION #4

Judy Chu

### **Vote YES on Props. 1A–1E**

#### **Infrastructure Bonds**

This public works package provides \$37 billion in education, transportation, housing and flood prevention bonds. Prop. 1D, the school bond, will provide \$10.4 billion for school construction. It targets money to schools that need it the most, provides funds to build career education schools, and provides more than \$3 billion to community colleges, UC and CSU campuses.

For information, visit [www.plan4ourfuture.org](http://www.plan4ourfuture.org)

### **Vote NO on Prop. 85**

#### **Parental Notification**

This constitutional amendment requiring parental notification before a minor has an abortion puts the health and safety of teenagers at risk. Doctors, pediatricians and nurses, including the California Medical Association and the California Nurses Association, oppose Prop. 85 because of the health risks it poses for teenage girls.

For information, visit [www.noon85.com](http://www.noon85.com)

### **NEUTRAL on Prop. 88**

#### **Parcel Tax Initiative**

This initiative is poorly written and does not provide a long-term funding solution for our schools. It may even impair CTA's future efforts to find a real solution. The funding generated by the parcel tax would be far below what is needed by schools. CTA cannot support Prop. 88 and has taken a neutral position.

### **Vote NO on Prop. 89**

#### **Public Campaign Financing**

This poorly crafted initiative has many unintended consequences. It would create an uneven playing field, placing strict limits on small businesses, labor unions and nonprofit organizations, while doing nothing to stop rich individuals from bankrolling their own campaigns. It would severely limit CTA's ability to influence political issues that directly affect teachers.

For information, visit [www.noprop89.org](http://www.noprop89.org)

### **Vote NO on Prop. 90**

#### **Eminent Domain**

Disguised as eminent domain reform, this deceptive initiative contains hidden provisions that will cost billions. It will drive up the costs for school districts to buy land. It allows virtually anyone to sue for economic loss from changes in laws, encouraging a flood of frivolous lawsuits. After Oregon passed a similar law, more than 2,200 claims were filed seeking over \$5 billion.

For information, visit [www.noprop90.com](http://www.noprop90.com)