



The Sejong Cultural Society  
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# 2007 Sejong Writing Competition

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## 1. Mission

The goals of the Sejong Writing Competition are to discover talented children and young adults in writing and to encourage them to write about Korea. Through this writing competition we hope to promote awareness and understanding of Korea's cultural heritage among our young generations growing up in United States. The organizational goal is to promote harmony among people of various ethnic backgrounds and to bridge Asian and western culture through our programs.

## 2. Eligibility:

This competition is open to **ALL** pre-college students residing in the US **regardless of their ethnic background**.

## 3. Divisions: (as of April 30, 2007)

Senior division: grade 9 – 12

Junior division: grade 8 or younger

## 4. Submit one essay on one of the following Topics (writer must refer to specific examples)

- ◆ My most influential encounter with Korean Culture
- ◆ Walking in two cultures, Korean and American
- ◆ Building bridges between the generations (i.e., the relationship between 1<sup>st</sup> generation Korean-Americans and 1.5 and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation Korean-Americans or adoptees)

## 5. Writing requirement

- Must NOT exceed 1,000 words.
- Must be written in English.
- Must be typed in Word file using Times New Roman font size 12 with margins 1" for top, bottom and both sides.
- Must have page numbering (i.e. page 1 of 5 etc.)
- Must not have name or any other identifiers of applicants on the essay or creative writing for fair judging.
- Must submit the essay as an e-mail attachment to [Sejong@sejongociety.org](mailto:Sejong@sejongociety.org)
- Must submit the application form as a separate e-mail attachment to above address.
- Must enter "Sejong Writing Competition Entry" as the subject of e-mail with above attachments.

## 6. Prize:

-Seniors: First (\$600), Second (\$400), Third (\$200)

-Juniors: First (\$300), Second (\$200), Third (\$100)

Winners' works may be published as a book and on newspapers, The Korea Times of Chicago and Korea Quarterly.

7. We reserve rights to use all submitted pieces in our future publications for the Sejong Cultural Society and there will not be compensation to the authors. The Sejong Cultural Society reserves the right not to award a prize. Sejong Cultural Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit all-volunteer organization.

8. **Submission Deadline: April 30, 2007.** Writing entry must arrive on or before 12:00 midnight CST.

9. **Application Form:** Download the form from the website [www.sejongociety.org](http://www.sejongociety.org). Send completed application as a separate e-mail attachment along with the essay.

10. **Contact** us by e-mail to [sejong@sejongociety.org](mailto:sejong@sejongociety.org) or call 312-203-5587. Please visit our website for detailed information regarding competition regulations and view last years' winners and their essays. The results of the competition will be posted on our web page [www.sejongociety.org](http://www.sejongociety.org) and published on Korea Times of Chicago in early June 2007.