

# MOSAIC 2007

## San José Urban Journalism Workshop for High School Students

June 24 – July 6, 2007

If you've ever wondered what it would be like to be a professional journalist—and live on a college campus—this two-week journalism workshop for high school students may be just for you.

The Mosaic is held on the San Jose State University campus, where students will work in the school's newsroom and stay overnight in a dormitory. Students will learn the basics of reporting, writing and photography under the guidance of professional newspaper journalists. They will hit the streets to gather real-life news stories about people who make the news and people whose lives are affected by the news. These stories will appear in a workshop newspaper. Guest speakers during the program will share their experiences and advice on the wonderful world of journalism.

The program is limited to 20 students and requires full-time participation, including living on campus. There is **NO COST** to students. Food and housing will be provided. Students will be supervised overnight by adults. Accepted students will become eligible for a college scholarship.

- The application process includes completion of the form on the reverse side of this page and submission of required materials. The application is also available online at [www.mosaicworkshop.org](http://www.mosaicworkshop.org).
- Applicants must be current high school sophomores, juniors or seniors. Latino, African-American, Native-American and Asian-American students are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Application deadline is (postmarked by) April 16, 2007.

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*Primary sponsors of the Mosaic are the San Jose Mercury News, Dow Jones Newspaper Fund, San Jose State University School of Journalism, California Chicano News Media Association and the Castellano Family Foundation. The Mosaic was established in 1993 and has trained 236 high school students, many of whom are now working at newspapers and other media.*

***See reverse side for application***

# MOSAIC APPLICATION

**Deadline: Postmarked April 16, 2007**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_ Foreign languages \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M \_\_\_ F \_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA (Indicate if weighted): \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the activities in which you have participated:

School Newspaper      Journalism Classes      Photography      Speech/Debate

Drama      Yearbook      TV/Radio      Multi-media      Blog      Magazine

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Which do you prefer to study in Mosaic: Reporting/writing \_\_\_\_\_ Photo \_\_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_\_

Please also include the following:

- Copy of your latest grade transcripts and current grades.
- At least three samples of your writing, scripts or photographs. (No originals, please).
- On a separate sheet of paper, write an essay of 75-100 words on why you would like to participate in this program and about your interest in journalism.
- Two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors, employers or others who know your work well. Do not include letters from relatives or personal friends.
- Please give us two ideas for stories or photo essays that you would pursue for the Mosaic. Who would you find and interview for the stories? Why are the topics important to you?

**Mail this application and other materials, postmarked by April 16, to:**

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