



Hindu Matiya Patidar Samaj, Inc.  
15311 Pioneer Blvd.  
Norwalk, CA 90650

### Scholarship and Academic Achievement Rewards

This year we would like to give 5 \$1000 Scholarships to college students and 25 Academic Achievement Rewards in the denominations of \$250 and \$500.

In order to qualify for this year's scholarship or academic achievement rewards...

- 1) You must be between the ages of 5 and 18 years.
- 2) You must write the following information and an essay, as listed below. All requests must be received before **Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010**. (Remember to mail it at least a week in advance!) **Or** you may fax it to Natu Patel at (310) 798-7069 on or **before October 31, 2010**.
- 3) You must bring your completed project on **Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010** to the HMPS Annual Samaj General Meeting.

#### **Information sheet should include:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_  
Village (if you do not know, ask your parents—it's usually your father's village) \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Project/ Describe your Project \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

We would like you to create a project of your choice that shows what Hindu culture means to you or in other words, what you feel makes you a Hindu? Some project ideas include a video (presentation, skit, performance, edited clips compiled from various videos), write your own story, write an essay, draw a picture and describe it, create a collage of pictures, write a song, create a poster advertising what Hindu culture is to people who may not know...etc. Be creative!

The purpose of this is to demonstrate a combination of your education and cultural understanding and do it to the best of your abilities.

Attached to your information sheet that you mail or fax to Natu Patel at (310)798-7069, in essay format and approximately 1- 2 pages (**due Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010**), we would like to know...

- 1) How you did your project?
- 2) Who helped you do your project?
- 3) How would this project relate to being Matiya or just being Hindu?
- 4) What does being a Matiya mean? (Ask around, or look at the history on our website, [www.matiyapatidarcenter.org](http://www.matiyapatidarcenter.org))

If you are doing a video or anything that will require more time to review than a physically displayed project, please e-mail it to [tamanna.patel07@gmail.com](mailto:tamanna.patel07@gmail.com) or contact Tamanna at this email address to request another way to turn in your information sheet and essay and/or your project.

**Participants, Parents and Guardians take NOTE:** We are aware that the age range from 5 to 18 is wide and will be judging projects based on creativity, involvement and quality while comparing between the individual categories (\$250 and \$500) of ages 5-8, ages 8-12, ages 12-15 and ages 15-18. Ages 15-18 will be judged for college scholarships (\$1000) also and thus will have shot at both categories of Rewards. **GO FOR IT! Try your best and Good luck!**



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### **Acknowledgements and Respectable Endeavors**

Many of us do a lot of activities outside of the Matiya Samaj. We would like to acknowledge those that have achieved successes in the past year. Even the smallest of successes can be considered great and will be recognized. It can be *educational*, like graduating college or receiving a perfect grade report (all As or all Os), *community-based*, like putting on a charity show or donating many hours to a service organization, *sports-related*, like becoming MVP or being part of a team that won at a state or national level, *cultural-based*, like doing something remarkable that deals with our Hindu culture or anything else (*other*).

*If you know someone that has done something that we should recognize or you, yourself, would like to be recognized, please send the following information to Tamanna Patel at [tamanna.patel07@gmail.com](mailto:tamanna.patel07@gmail.com); call (951)278-3588; or fax it to Natu Patel at (310)798-7069 by **Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010**.*

- Your name (the person placing the request):
- Full name of the individual:
- Age group: Under 18, 18-24, 25-45, 45-55, over 55
- Genre: educational, community-based, sports-related, cultural-based, or other
- Then, Describe the acknowledgement in as few lines as possible.