



# PFCC



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### **STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION**

The Pakistan Founders Celebration Committee, PFCC, is sponsoring an Essay Competition amongst students of Pakistani origin. The competition will have three categories: High school students (500 words), undergraduates (750 words) and graduate students (1000 words). Using the following poem of Allama Iqbal "Talib-e-Ilm (Student) as an inspiration:

کہ تیرے بحر کی موجوں میں اضطراب نہیں!  
کتاب خواں ہے، مگر صاحب کتاب نہیں!

خدا تجھے کسی طوفان سے آشنا کر دے  
تجھے کتاب سے ممکن نہیں فراغ کہ تو

### **"STUDENT**

*May God acquaint you with some gale  
your tides no stir at all exhale*

*Respite from books you do not get  
But Book Revealed too soon forget."*

The Evaluation Committee is looking for submissions that present a plan of action for Pakistani Americans to form into a cohesive group that not only provides support for it's members, but plays an active role in influencing American policy towards Pakistan. Submitted essays should display an understanding of the thought process that went into the creation of Pakistan and the type of state envisioned by Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

Scholarships of \$1,000 shall be awarded to the top selection accepted from each category. Selected individuals may also be asked to speak at the Inaugural Banquet Dinner hosted by PFCC on December 25, 2004 at the Chandni Restaurant located in the San Francisco Bay Area (Newark). The winning ther selected essays will be published in the program booklet.

Essays Should be mailed no later than November 30, 2004 to:

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