



**The University of Texas at San Antonio
September 26-30, 2011**

The University of Texas at San Antonio will observe Hazing Prevention Week Monday, September 26-Friday, September 30. National Hazing Prevention Week is September 19-23. Since that is UTSA Homecoming Week, we will delay our NHPW activities by one week.

All student organizations and their members are encouraged to participate in the two contests coordinated throughout the week. The **Banner Contest** is a competition for organizations and the **Essay Contest** is a competition for individuals. Please see below for details of the contests.

For more information about the contests, please contact barr@utsa.edu or call 210.458.4160.

Banner Contest Guidelines

- All entries must be posted by the contest deadline to be considered. Deadline for the 2011 Banner Contest is **10:00 p.m. on Monday, September 26.**
- Entries must follow the contest guidelines adherence to theme/topic, portrayal of an anti-hazing stance, and following all UTSA Posting Guidelines.
- The banners should empower UTSA students to prevent hazing.
- All entries must submit an entry form at the time of obtaining posting approval in the Office of Student Activities. This entry form notifies the Contest Committee of the group participating and where the banner is located on campus. You can find the form on Collegiate Link in Be A Responsible Roadrunner's Documents.
- Judging will begin Tuesday, September 27 and end Friday, September 30 at 5:00 p.m.
- Winners will be announced no later than October 24 at the Alcohol Awareness Week Keynote Speaker event.
- The organization with the winning banner will receive a pizza party on campus at a date determined by the winning organization and the coordinators of the competition.

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Essay Contest Guidelines

- All entries must be received by the contest deadline to be considered. Deadline for the 2011 Essay Contest is **8:00 a.m. Monday, October 3, 2011**.
- Entries must follow the contest guidelines in terms of length, adherence to theme/topic, and portrayal of an anti-hazing stance.
- Each Essay Contest entry consists of the following information plus a 500-word original essay answering the question "How do you empower people around you to prevent hazing?" submitted through Collegiate Link.
 - Entrant's full name
 - Address
 - Classification/Major
 - Telephone number
 - Email address
 - Organization Membership(s)
- Essays will be judged based upon the following criteria:
 - adherence to theme
 - grammar/spelling
 - clarity of message
 - and creativity/uniqueness of message
- Up to three winners may be chosen through this competition. The winning essays will be submitted into an additional National Hazing Prevention Week essay contest sponsored by HazingPrevention.Org (with the winner's approval).
- Entrants understand that stories submitted become property of UTSA. The winning stories submitted to HazingPrevention.Org will become property of HazingPrevention.Org and may be used in promotional materials either printed or web-based. If requested by the author, certain identifying details may be removed from the essay before it is published.
- Cash prizes will be awarded for the top three essays: 1st place \$75; 2nd place \$50; 3rd place \$25. These prizes are made possible by the support of UTSA Greek Councils.
- Winners of the UTSA competition will be selected by Friday, October 21 and announced no later than Monday, October 24 at the Alcohol Awareness Week Keynote Speaker. With the winner's approval, their essay will be submitted to the HazingPrevention.Org contest by November 1. Their winners will be selected no more than two months following the submission deadline and checks will be mailed no more than four months after the deadline. HazingPrevention.Org awards cash prizes in the amounts of \$100, \$75 and \$50 for their competition winners. Winners' names for the will be available online at www.HazingPrevention.Org on or after January 5, 2012.
- The judging and selection process of the UTSA competition is at the sole discretion of UTSA Student Activities. The additional competition is at the discretion of HazingPrevention.Org and the committee(s) chosen for such purpose. Submissions may be disqualified for any reason the committee sees fit, and the selection process will remain confidential.
- Decisions of the judges are final and binding.
- Entrants are responsible for complying with these Official Rules.