

Mendocino Coast Writers Conference
July 30 – August 2, 2009

Calling All High School Student Writers!

Announcing the 20th Annual Mendocino Coast Writers Conference

The Writers Conference will offer full-tuition scholarships to selected students currently in grades 9-12 at any high school or alternative high school program in Mendocino County. Home-schooled and independent study students are eligible. Students will be invited to read their work in a public venue and possibly be published in the *Todd Point Review*, which is the literary journal for College of the Redwoods.

You will have the chance to meet other students and to work closely with leading authors, editors and agents in a variety of creative writing workshops, seminars and panels.

Deadline for Applications: April 15, 2009.

To apply, please fill out the separate [Young Writers Application Form](#) and send it, along with a 5-page writing sample, to:

MCWC, 1211 Del Mar Drive, Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Very Important *Formatting Instructions for your Writing Samples:*

Please follow these guidelines exactly. (Do NOT use decorative fonts like those in the banner above!) Your writing sample should be typed, double-spaced, 12 point, Times font, black ink, using 1" margins on white paper. You may submit more than one piece of writing if your pieces are short, for example, micro-fiction or poetry. 3-5 pages total. We will consider poetry, fiction, plays, graphic novels, nonfiction (journalism, non-fiction, memoir), blogs, or multiple-genres. Poets and graphic novelists may disregard the double-spacing format requirement. If you're sending part of a novel, consider sending the opening, along with an outline of your book. Please mark outside of your envelope: "High School Writers Application." After you mail it, also send a copy of your manuscript via e-mail to Charlotte @ mcn.org. Put "High School Writers" in the subject line. Please e-mail Charlotte Gullick with any questions about preparing your application.

Scholarship winners will be notified by May 15, 2009.

There is no cost to apply for the High School Writers' Scholarships.



Questions? Check out the website at www.mcnw.org