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**California Students Invited to Share their Dreams in Online Essay Contest Sponsored by Holt
Dr. Christine King Farris to Give Awards at Special Ceremony**

SAN FRANCISCO – January 11, 2005 – California middle school students are invited to earn special recognition and cash awards from textbook publisher Holt, Rinehart and Winston in the second annual “I Also Have a Dream” essay contest. Student essays may be submitted by their teachers from January 17 to February 4, 2005 at www.hrw.com/mydream.

“In 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King stood on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington DC and told us about his dreams for a united America, free from prejudice and hatred,” said Scott Page, Pacific Region vice president of sales for Holt. “Dr. King was hopeful and excited about the future and about creating change, and our hope is this contest will give inspiration to California middle school students as they think about their future and the changes they want to make. Holt is proud to sponsor this contest and honor the spirit of Dr. King.”

This essay contest is unique because it features categories for English Language Learners as well as traditional students in grades six, seven, and eight. Student winners will receive \$500.00 and their sponsoring teachers will win \$1000.00. All winners will be honored at a special ceremony at the California Council for Social Studies Convention at the Hyatt Regency in Burlingame on March 4. Dr. Christine King Farris, a professor at Spellman College in Atlanta and the only surviving sibling of Dr. Martin Luther King, will host the awards reception.

About Holt, Rinehart and Winston

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