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## **HCA Photo Contest now through May 31st. Enter today**

The Mission of the Hill Country Alliance is to bring together an ever-expanding alliance of groups throughout a multi-county region of Central Texas will the long-term objective of preserving open spaces, water supply, water quality and the unique character of the Texas Hill Country.

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## Water Issues Symposium: Kids, Water and Science

Hill Country students weigh in about water issues at Schriener University in Kerrville

The Texas Water Issues Symposium series continues Thursday March 25th in Kerrville with "Kids, Water and Science". Hill Country State Representative Doug Miller will serve as Master of Ceremonies as winners of a regional student essay contest present their papers. The project is a joint initiative of Schreiner University, Texas Tech University, Texas Public Radio and the Hill Country Alliance.

School districts have been invited to enter the contest in three categories; elementary school (grades 3-5), middle school and high school students. Up to three School districts can enter up to three essays from each school in

each district on the subject of "Kids, Water and Science: Perspectives from Our Future."

Winners from each category will be recognized at this year's final symposium on March 25 at Schreiner. Elementary and middle school winners will receive prizes such as a science kit, books, microscope set and certificates.

High school winners will receive scholarships to Schreiner University.

The first place high school essayist will receive a \$4,000 scholarship (\$1,000 annually for four years) second place will receive \$2,000 (\$500 annually for four years) third place will be awarded \$1,000 (\$250 annually for four years

"This is a wonderful opportunity for students throughout the Hill Country not only to learn about the water issues that impact us all, but also to offer their voices and insights to the conversation," Dr. Charlie McCormick, Schreiner's provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, said.

The taping will start at 7 PM sharp on Thursday evening of the 25th at the Floyd & Kathleen Cailloux Campus Activity Center Schreiner University Campus in Kerrville, Texas. The session is taped by Texas Public Radio that evening and then broadcast the following Friday during the Newsmaker Hour.

For more information about the series see <a href="www.schreiner.edu/water">www.schreiner.edu/water</a>.

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