

# CHARLES T. GIBSON TEEN PUBLIC HEALTH LEADERSHIP 2017 ESSAY CONTEST

*Sponsored by Wayne County Board of Health in partnership with  
Wayne County Health Department and  
Wayne Council on Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention*

## Official Entry Form and Guidelines

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Last 4 digits of Social Security Number (for ID purposes only): \_\_\_\_\_

School you are attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ How many words does your essay contain? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the *2017 Charles T. Gibson Leadership Essay Contest*?

(Please check  your answer)

Radio  Newspaper  School  Church  Teen Website  Other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

### GUIDELINES:

- ◆ *Entry form and essay* – Entry form should accompany the essay. The only personal (identifiable) information to appear on your essay is the last four digits of your social security number. These digits should appear in the upper right corner of the header section of each page of the essay.
- ◆ *Essay topic* – Please submit an essay in your own words on a public health issue in our county and provide a possible solution. This essay must be centered around one of the following topics: access to healthcare, adolescent health, disease prevention, effective sex education, healthcare cost, mental health, substance abuse, or environmental health. (Examples of these could include but are not limited to: teen pregnancy prevention, suicide prevention, sexuality and sexual health, cyber bullying, etc.) Support your essay with who you believe should resolve the issue, facts, and research (with at least 3 from scholarly source).
- ◆ *Word limit* – No more than 1500 words.
- ◆ *Format* – Essay must be typed in black ink. Essay should be double-spaced on 8 ½ x 11" paper with a 12 pt. font, and 1" margins.
- ◆ *Eligibility* – Contest is open to all currently enrolled Wayne County high school students (public, private & home schooled). **Guidelines have to be followed to remain eligible. Finalist must develop a visual presentation and present during the Essay Scholarship Ceremony on June 13, 2017, at 7:00pm**

**PRIZES:**    **1<sup>st</sup> place:** \$1,000 Scholarship & \$75 Gift Certificate  
                  **2<sup>nd</sup> place:** \$500 Scholarship & \$50 Gift Certificate  
                  **3<sup>rd</sup> place:** \$300 Scholarship & \$50 Gift Certificate

**DEADLINE:** Friday, May 12, at 6:00pm

Essay and completed entry form must be mailed (postmarked NO LATER than May 12, 2017) or submitted to:

**Attention: Charles T. Gibson Teen Public Health Leadership Essay Contest  
Wayne County Health Department – Health Education Division  
301 N. Herman St. Box CC  
Goldsboro, NC 27530**

*Questions?* Please contact Celita Graham at 731-1235 or Brittney Davis at 731-1291