

# Charles T. Gibson Teen Public Health Leadership 2018 Essay Contest

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Wayne County Health Department

## 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 Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

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

How did you hear about the 2018 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 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 on **each page. Please do not include your name or the school you attend on the essay. This information will ONLY appear on the entry form.**
- **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. Support your essay with who you believe should resolve the issue, facts, and research (with at least 3 scholarly sources).
- **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 12 point font and 1” margins.
- **Eligibility** – Contest is open to all currently enrolled Wayne County high school students (public, private and home schooled). **Guidelines have to be followed to remain eligible. Finalist must develop a visual presentation and present during the Essay Scholarship Ceremony June 28, 2018.**

**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:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 6:00pm

Essay and completed entry form must be mailed (postmarked NO later than April 19, 2018) or submitted to:

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

Questions? Please contact Brittney Davis at 919-731-1291 or Celita Graham at 919-731-1235