

The Hartford Community Presents.....

Youth Essay Writing Contest!

April 5-May 12 2014

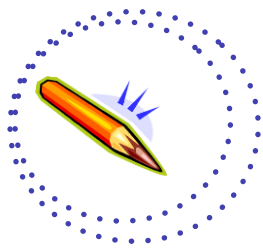
Who Can Enter?

All Hartford Students grades 4th-12th

How Do I Enter?

Create an original essay-not exceeding 1000 words, describing

"How I Can Eliminate Violence in my Community"



Prizes

1st place: \$500.00

2nd place: \$200.00

3rd place: \$75.00



Contest Overview:

Project Longevity, The Hartford Guardians
and *Step Up, Step Out: End the Culture of*
Violence present:

"Project Longevity Youth Essay Contest"

Participation & Eligibility

All Hartford residents Grades 4th-12th are eligible to participate
Non-Hartford residents are eligible to apply if they attend a Hartford based school.

Youth interested in participating will have to submit a 1-3 page essay that discusses the following:

How has violence affected your or someone you know?
What would you do to reduce violence in your community?
Describe your plan in detail.
Whom would you ask for help?
How would you involve the community?
How will your idea make a difference?

Guidelines:

All entries must be typed on standard size paper **8 1/2" X 11"**
If emailing your essay-please save it as a Microsoft Word document with your last name and name of the school as the file name. All entries must have complete information at the top of the paper: (student's name, complete home mailing address, school, teacher's name, grade, age, and a contact phone number).
Essays should be a minimum of 300 words & not exceed 1,000 words.

Essay must be entrant's original work. Essays that have won other contests or that have appeared in any print or online publications are not eligible.

Judging:

Entries will be evaluated on the basis of content, creativity and how convincing you are
Please note that each of the questions must be answered.

Awards for all Grade Levels:

1st place - \$500
2nd place - \$200
3rd place - \$75

All participating students will be acknowledged with a certificate.

NOTE:

Winners will be announced Monday, May 26, 2014. An awards reception will be held recognizing all winners on Friday, June 6, 2014, at Asylum Hill Congregational Church at 5pm. Pizza & Refreshments will be served all participants and their families are encouraged to attend.

Timeline:

Deadline Monday, May 12, 2014

All essay submissions may be mailed and postmarked, or sent via email to: thercules@project-longevity.org with the subject line "*Youth Essay Contest*"

If you have any questions, please contact Project Longevity for the city of Hartford
Tiana Hercules, **860-760-7952**
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Entries can be mailed or hand delivered to:
Project Longevity Youth Essay Contest
c/o Tiana Victoria Hercules
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