

Guidelines

for the ICHV
16th Annual Student Voices Contest

Topic: The many different forms of gun violence affect individuals, families and communities in a variety of ways. What do you think are the causes behind gun violence?

Eligibility: All students currently in grades 1 through 12 are eligible to participate. We welcome entries from all students in Illinois. Only one entry per student.

Categories: ESSAY, POETRY, and ART

Grade Divisions for Judging:

Division One, 1st grade – 4th grade
Division Two, 5th grade – 8th grade
Division Three, 9th grade – 12th grade

Winners: At least one winner from each category and grade division will be selected.

Prizes: Each winner receives a new computer and a \$25 bookstore gift certificate. Submitting teachers of winning students receive a \$100 gift certificate to a sponsoring bookstore or art supply store. Winners will be notified in May 2011 and then honored at an Awards Assembly at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

Contest Guidelines:

1. Each entry requires a completed entry form.
2. Each entry must fit into *one* category (essay, poem, or artwork).
3. Written entries should be typed or written in black ink (to facilitate photocopying).
4. All prose entries should follow a paragraph format. Recommended essay lengths are as follows:
Division One: 200-250 words; Division Two: 350-400 words; Division Three: 500-600 words.
5. All artwork should be two-dimensional.

Deadline: February 4, 2011 - Early entries accepted

Please send entries to:
Illinois Council Against Handgun Violence
Attn: Student Voices Contest
223 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 802
Chicago, IL 60606
Phone: (312) 341-0939



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