



WICOMICO COUNTY YOUTH ADDICTION AWARENESS

ART AND FILM COMPETITION

The heroin epidemic is a growing problem nationwide. In 2014 there were 578 heroin/opioid deaths in Maryland. In just one recent weekend, there were 13 overdoses and 3 fatalities in our county alone. When interviewed, most of the addicted in our county tell a similar tale. The users of heroin first became addicted to prescription opiate pain medication. They were prescribed the pills, or they got them at a party, or from a friend, or the medicine cabinet at home. An opiate addiction is insidious-- it grabs the user quick and then as the pills become more expensive or harder to obtain, the user switches to heroin which often times is more potent.

We are working on getting resources to help the addicted, but our best hope is to reach the youth, to get them to understand the dangers of using and abusing prescription opiates and how abusing pills is a pathway to heroin use. So in order to foster an awareness in our community, we are reaching out to the youth to participate in this Film and Art Competition.

WICOMICO FILM COMPETITION

The rules are simple, create a 30 second video about the dangers of opioid abuse and the link between prescription drugs and heroin.

1st Prize--\$1,000 Scholarship

2nd Prize--\$500 Scholarship

3rd Prize--\$100 Scholarship

WICOMICO ART COMPETITION

Create an art project on any medium except video or film (canvas, paper, photography, etc.) that communicates the dangers of opioid abuse and the link between prescription drugs and heroin.

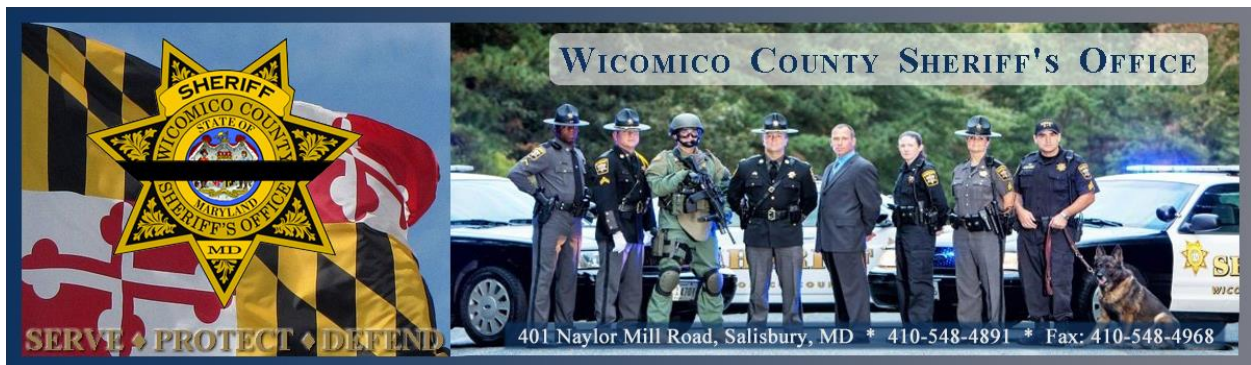
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Submissions must be brought to the front desk of the Wicomico County State's Attorney's Office **on or before May 1, 2016** with the completed entry form. Judging will take place on or before May 20, 2016 and award winners will be announced at Third Friday in downtown Salisbury. All entries will be on display at 3rd Friday in May and may be on display throughout the year at events and festivals during for one year after submission. All individuals who appear in the video must sign the attached release. Videos may be aired on PAC-14 and local media websites and broadcasts. This competition is open to any student enrolled in grades 9 through 12 in Wicomico County, Maryland.

The scholarships have been provided by the Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force (Wicomico County Sheriff's Office, Salisbury City Police Department, Fruitland Police Department, Maryland State Police)



ART AND FILM COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

STUDENT NAME: _____

STUDENT ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT PHONE NUMBER: _____

STUDENT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL: _____

STUDENT GRADE: (circle) 9 10 11 12

PARENT NAME: _____

PARENT PHONE NUMBER: _____

PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT(S) NAME: _____

STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Before submitting my project I have watched the video located at this link: _____ (initials)
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/stop-addiction/>

PARENT OR GUARDIAN CONSENT: I, _____, give consent for

_____ to participate in this art competition for the purposes of fostering awareness of the opioid/heroin epidemic. I have gone to the below website and have watched this video with my child. <http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/stop-addiction/>

RELEASE FOR MINORS

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I hereby consent and agree to the following:

1. I hereby grant to the Wicomico County State's Attorney (WCSA), and others working for WCSA or on its behalf, and each of its respective licensees, successors and assigns, the unlimited right and permission to use, distribute, publish, exhibit, digitize, broadcast, display, reproduce or otherwise exploit my name, picture, likeness and voice, or to refrain from so doing, in any manner or media whatsoever (whether now known or hereafter devised), anywhere in the world, by any persons or entities deemed appropriate by WCSA, for any purpose including, without limitation, any use for educational, advertising, non-commercial or commercial purposes;
2. I shall have no right of approval, no claim to compensation and no claim (including, without limitation, claims based upon invasion of privacy, defamation or right of publicity) arising out of any use, alteration, blurring, illusionary effect or use in any composite form of my name, picture, likeness and voice. I hereby release and hold harmless WCSA, and any persons or entities acting on behalf of or at the direction of WCSA, from any claim for injury, compensation or negligence resulting or arising from any activities authorized by this Release.

NAME OF MINOR: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

**RELEASE FOR MINORS
(Those under the age of eighteen)**

I, the undersigned, being a parent or guardian of the minor, hereby consent to the foregoing conditions and warrant that I have the authority to give such consent.

**NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
(PLEASE PRINT):** _____

**SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
(REQUIRED):** _____

DATE: _____