

Respectful Relationships Coalition Video Contest

Teens aged 13-18 are invited to create a video promoting healthy relationships and interactions. This can focus on many different areas and issues, including: bullying, cyberbullying, friendships, and dating relationships. Any group submitting a video should have contacted or attended a presentation by educators from Crime Victim Center and/or SafeNet prior to the creation of the video. The contest will begin September 15, 2011, with submissions being accepted until 4pm December 15.

Terms and Conditions

1. Videos must be created and filmed by teens aged 13-18 living in or attending school in Erie County, Pennsylvania.
2. Videos may be any form of medium, i.e. animated, live images, still images, mixed media, etc.
3. Groups can consist of up to five (5) people, with one person designated as the main contact.
4. All submissions must have an adult mentor who must be listed on the submission form and review the mentor guidelines.
5. All submitted work must be original. Videos may not contain any copyrighted material (including music) unless written permission is obtained. (If applicable, a copy of the written permission must be included with the entry).
6. Videos must not exceed five (5) minutes in length.
7. Any individuals who help with the creation of the video or appear in the video are required to submit a signed release form. Parent consent forms must also be signed by the parents/guardians of all group members.
8. All entries become property of the Erie Respectful Relationships Coalition and may be used at our discretion. Entrants grant Erie Respectful Relationships Coalition the right to use their names, photographs and video submissions for advertising, publicity and promotion purposes, and to edit or make changes to the video.
9. All videos must be intended for the general public and contain content that, in the sole discretion of the judges, is suitable for persons of all ages. Any video with content deemed inappropriate will be disqualified. (See disqualifications.)
10. Groups may submit more than one entry, but each entry must have a separate registration form.
11. There is no entry fee.
12. Entries will be void if they are incomplete, late, lost, damaged, not able to be viewed, or received after December 15th.

13. Erie Respectful Relationships Coalition reserves the right to modify, suspend or terminate this contest at any time without notice.
14. Initial judging will be done by the Erie Respectful Relationships Coalition, narrowing down the entries to 10 finalists. All participants will be invited to an event in January, where they will have the opportunity to view and vote on the 10 finalists' videos. The final winners will be determined by the number of teen votes at this event.
15. Each submission's chance of winning is based on the number of total submissions in the contest and the merits of each submitted video. Final winners will be notified by February 1, 2012.

Disqualifications

Videos will be disqualified for any of the following:

1. Contains nudity of any kind
2. Contains excessive/graphic violence or any profanity
3. Endorses racial, cultural, gender, religious, sexuality bias
4. Contains victim-blaming statements, unless they are corrected within the video
5. Exceeds five (5) minutes
6. Violates copyright laws

Submitting a Video

- Preferred video formats are either .mpg or .avi.
- Videos can be submitted through the Crime Victim Center.
- They may be dropped off Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 and 4:30, at 125 West 18th Street, Erie, PA 16501, or mailed to the same address.
***If dropping off/ mailing a video, please be aware that we will not be able to return any DVDs, SD Cards or USB drives. All videos and materials will become property of the Erie Respectful Relationships Coalition.
- Electronic submissions may be emailed to amyb@cvcerie.org.
- All submissions must be accompanied by the Registration Form, Parent/Guardian Form, and, if applicable, the Group Form.
- Videos must be received by 4pm on December 15th to be eligible for the contest.

Any questions can be directed to Robyn Young, at SafeNet, 814-455-1774, ryoung@safeneterie.org, or to the Community Education Department at Crime Victim Center, 814-455-9414, amyb@cvcerie.org.