



National Youth Violence Prevention Week Stand Up. Speak Out. Poster Contest



National Youth Violence Prevention Week is March 21 – 27, 2011. During this week, activities and events will be held nationwide to spotlight the issue of youth violence, to identify strategies to combat this epidemic, and to promote the positive role youth have in making their communities and schools safer. In an effort to promote alternatives to violence, the Baltimore City Health Department is sponsoring a poster contest for youth to express their ideas related to Standing Up and Speaking Out against violence.

For more information check out: <http://baltimorehealth.org/youthviolenceprevention.html>.

TOPICS

Entries in the Poster Contest should show how you can Stand Up and Speak Out against one of these issues:

- **Bullying** Fact: Every 7 minutes a child is bullied
- **Cyber Bullying** Fact: 58% of kids admit someone has said mean or hurtful things to them online
- **Teen Dating Violence** Fact: 57% of teens know someone who has been abused in a dating relationship
- **Gun Violence** Fact: Among homicide victims ages 10 to 24 years old, 84% were killed with a firearm

ELIGIBILITY

The Contest is open to all Baltimore City youth ages 6 - 18.

AGE GROUPS

Contest entrants will compete in one of three groups:

Group 1: Ages 6 - 10

Group 2: Ages 11 - 14

Group 3: Ages 15 - 18

RULES

- Posters must reflect Standing Up and Speaking Out against one of the following issues: Bullying, Cyber Bullying, Teen Dating Violence or Gun Violence. Facts are included in the Topics section to spark your creativity.
- Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.
- Posters must be 11X17 inches in size. You may use crayon, watercolor, poster paint, markers, and ink. Please do not use materials that may smear, crack, or chip. Posters may be in color or black and white.
- Each poster must have the following information **on the back at the top, right side:**
YOUR NAME, YOUR PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME, YOUR PHONE NUMBER, AGE, SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION
- Please do not put your name on the front of the poster.
- Failure to follow any of these guidelines may result in disqualification.

DEADLINE

Posters must be submitted by Tuesday, March 15, 2011. Posters can be dropped off at the following locations:

Baltimore City Health Department

1001 E. Fayette Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 396-4398

Operation Safe Kids

218 W. Saratoga Street, 2nd floor
Baltimore, MD 21201
(443) 984-3563

Safe Streets – East

2312 E. Monument Street
Baltimore, MD 21205
(410) 327-0414

Enoch Pratt Free Library - Govans Branch

5714 Bellona Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21212
(410) 396-6098

Enoch Pratt Free Library – Waverly Branch

400 E. 33rd Street
Baltimore, MD 21218
410-396-6053

Mayor's Office of Employment Development – Youth Services

101 W. 24th Street
Baltimore, MD 21218
(410) 396-6722

Baltimore City Career Academy

101 W. 24th Street
Baltimore, MD 21218
(410) 396-7454

YO! Eastside

1212 N. Wolfe Street
Baltimore, MD 21213
(410) 732-2661

YO! Westside

1510 W. Lafayette Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21217
(410) 545-6950

AWARDS

One (1) Winner and One (1) Runner Up will be chosen from each age group. Winners will be notified by Friday, March 18, and will receive their prizes during YVP Week. Prizes may include art supplies, cameras, event tickets, etc.

Starting on March 16th, check out submissions on our Facebook page at www.Facebook.com/BmoreYVP.

QUESTIONS?

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