



PCOM South Georgia Essay Contest For High School Students In Conjunction with the Southwest Georgia Area Health Education Center HOSA Members

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM) invites high school students from the Southwest Georgia region to participate in an essay contest. The contest has been established to bring awareness to PCOM South Georgia which is being developed in Moultrie, Georgia. The aim of the osteopathic medical program is to educate students from South Georgia, who desire to serve the health needs of the region, to become physicians.

Essay Question

How can your generation work together to help shape the future of health in South Georgia?

Award

PCOM will award one \$500 scholarship to a high school student. The winning essay may be published either online or in print. The winner will be announced at a spring groundbreaking ceremony.

Timeframe

Essays, up to 500 words, must be in a Word-compatible document and double-spaced with the entrant's contact information including name, address, school, year, email address and phone number clearly indicated. Essays are due by Monday, March 19th and should be turned in to your HOSA Advisor who will then forward them to the Southwest Georgia Area Health Education Center (SOWEGA-AHEC). One high school student will be notified of his/her winning entry by April 9.

Eligibility

The high school student must consider his/her hometown to be in one of the following counties: Atkinson, Bacon, Baker, Ben Hill, Berrien, Brooks, Calhoun, Clay, Clinch, Coffee, Colquitt, Cook, Crisp, Decatur, Dooly, Dougherty, Early, Echols, Grady, Irwin, Lanier, Lee, Lowndes, Miller, Mitchell, Pulaski, Quitman, Randolph, Seminole, Stewart, Sumter, Terrell, Thomas, Tift, Turner, Webster, Wilcox and Worth.

Judging

The SOWEGA-AHEC, together with PCOM officials, will determine the winning essay. Essays will be judged for adherence to the topic, organization, interest and originality.

About PCOM and SOWEGA-AHEC

To learn more about PCOM South Georgia, visit <u>pcom.edu/southga</u> or check us out on social media. For more information about the essay contest, contact PCOM Public Relations Manager Barbara Myers at <u>barbaramy@pcom.edu</u>. To learn more about SOWEGA-AHEC or to schedule a Health Careers presentation, please visit <u>sowega-ahec.org</u>.