“Don’t Gamble With Your Future” Guidelines

OBJECTIVE:

The Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado (PGCC) strongly believes in the continuation of education and awareness programs such as “Don’t Leave It to Chance”. This type of program can be an effective tool to build an individual’s knowledge.

The “Don’t Leave It to Chance” 2016 Scholarship Program provides students an opportunity to disseminate their message by creating a poster to encourage those individuals with a gambling problem and their family and friends to seek help. The “Don’t Leave It to Chance” 2016 Scholarships will be awarded as follows: One $2,000.00 First Prize, and one $1,000.00 Second Prize.

GUIDELINES:

1. Eligible Applicants: ALL COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS are eligible (exception - see Rule 8 below).

2. Content: posters will be reviewed and judged for originality, content, style and educational value. The focus of the poster should be on the topic of the pitfalls of becoming a problem gambler.

3. Entry Requirements: The poster entry must be accompanied by an essay (minimum of one-page; double-spaced) discussing the topic of underage gambling as noted in #2 above, include PGCC logo, and include the 1-800-522-4700 help line number.


5. Submission Deadline: The poster entry, completed application and other required documentation outlined above must be submitted to the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado, P.O. Box, Lakewood, CO. 80226, by JANUARY 31, 2016.

6. Judging: Final judging and the selection of the winning entries will be determined by an Executive Committee comprised of officials from the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado. All decisions made by the Executive Committee will be final. Entries become the property of the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado and will not be returned.

7. Notice to Winners: Notification to the winners of the winning posters will be announced by March 1, 2016. The prizes will be awarded by March 15, 2016 unless Rule 11 applies.

8. Ineligibility: Relatives (members of immediate family) of the Executive Committee are not eligible.

9. Scholarship Awards: The student artists of the winning entries will each receive a “Don’t Leave It to Chance” scholarship in accordance with Rules 10 and 11 below.

10. Joint Authorship: If a winning poster is created by more than one student, then the creators of the poster shall share pro rata in the “Don’t Leave It to Chance” Scholarship.

11. Scholarship Check Distribution: The “Don’t Leave It to Chance” Scholarship checks will be issued jointly to the winning author(s) and to an accredited school of higher education including colleges, universities and vocational/technical schools located within the United States, which the winning student is, or will be attending. If a winning student has not chosen a school of higher education when the scholarship check is scheduled for distribution, the Problem Gambling Coalition of Colorado will hold the winnings (or the pro rata amount as the case may be) in escrow until the student is ready to attend school. The proceeds can be held no longer than two years. After four years, the proceeds will be donated to a charitable agency or used for a charitable purpose (including other PGCC Scholarships) if the funds have not been used by that time.