# TEEN WRITING CONTEST



## ENTER THE CONTEST FOR A CHANCE TO WIN \$\$

Youth Communication is asking readers to write a response to the teen author of a recent highlighted YC story. Tell the author how you related to their story, what lessons you learned, or other ways the story impacted you. We will choose three winners with prizes of \$150 (1st prize), \$75 (2nd prize), and \$50 (3rd prize.)

#### Contest Rules:

- You must be between the ages of 14 and 19.
- Letters should be no more than 300 words.
- You may respond to only one story.
- If you win, your letter will be published on our website. You can choose to be anonymous.
- Letters may be edited by YC editors for brevity and clarity. All entries become property of Youth Communication.

**DEADLINE: APRIL 26** 



## SUMMER WRITING WORKSHOP



### JULY 8 - AUGUST 15 NEW YORK CITY YOUTH AGES 15-20

Join a group of 12 young people who will participate in writing lessons, discussions, and group activities. Explore the personal and sociopolitical factors that influence your idea of community.

Our stories reach thousands of through our readers online publications and newsletters. Communities that Youth Communication (YC) writers have written about include Black Lives Matter; LGBTQ+ clubs at school; soccer fans; indigenous communities; female gamers; Burmese immigrants; even gangs. As these stories are published and move through the world, they broaden the community of readers who can relate to or are inspired by them.

No prior writing experience is required, but you must be able to attend for all six weeks and will be expected to complete at least one publishable story. The writing process is rigorous, involving many drafts, but with lots of support and guidance from an editor. We will provide laptops and writer notebooks.

- All participants receive a \$2,000 stipend for full attendance and completing one or more stories in the workshop.
- All participants, regardless of documentation status, can receive the stipend.



**APPLY BY MAY 6**