

# The Power of Life Essay Scholarship

## Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center

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| Print Name _____   | Date _____          |
| Home Address _____ | Date of Birth _____ |
| _____              | High School _____   |
| Telephone _____    | Counselor _____     |
| E-mail _____       | _____               |

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| First-Choice College _____      |
| Location (city, state) _____    |
| Second-Choice College _____     |
| Location (city, state) _____    |
| Major or Career Objective _____ |

- I hereby give my permission to the high school to release a high school transcript and the information below.
- I hereby give my permission to Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center (GCRBC) to publish or promote the essay I submitted to GCRBC in competition to the High School Scholarship Award.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be completed by school official**

School Official's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**GPA (4-point scale) \_\_\_\_\_ /4.00** School Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(GPA must be on a 4.0 scale)

**Send completed application post-marked no later than Feb. 28, 2009. *\*Late submissions will not be considered. Name must be printed in blue or black ink on the back upper right-hand corner of the essay. Include:***

1. This completed application form
2. Official transcript sealed by school counselor
3. An essay typed, single-spaced and up to 500 words that answers one of the following questions:
  - How can you motivate an individual or group of individuals to *Commit for Life* and become regular blood donors?
  - What can you do to contribute to our life-saving mission of ensuring adequate blood supplies if you are not eligible to donate?
  - What are some of the ways to keep high school donors as active donors after graduation?

To:

**Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center, Education & Training**  
**1400 La Concha Lane, Houston, TX 77054-1802**

For information: (713) 791-6653, [www.giveblood.org/scholarship](http://www.giveblood.org/scholarship)  
(Dependents of GCRBC or The Blood Center affiliates employees are not eligible.)