

Six New Jersey high school students are the winners of the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS) Statewide Teen Media Contest. The contest, in its 12<sup>th</sup> year, helps the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, reinforce its mission to instill a sense of parental responsibility in New Jersey's youth.

The 2007 theme of the Teen Media Contest was, "*Illustrate an important lesson taught to you by a parent that you want to pass along to your child when you grow up.*" The contest was open to all New Jersey high school and middle school students.

First Place – High School Category Rebecca Meskowitz "Righteous Influence" Kittatinny Regional High School, Newton, NJ





Second Place – High School Category Oleksandra Baryshev "A Best Friend Forever" Matawan Regional High School, Matawan, NJ





Third Place – High School Category Carl J. Gabriel III "Behind the Mask" Union County Vocational Tech High School, Scotch Plains, NJ





First Place – Middle School Category Emily Chen "When Failure Happens" Edgar Middle School, Metuchen, NJ





Second Place – Middle School Category Rose Fernandez "Daddy and His Little Girl" Bayshore Middle School, Leonardo, NJ





Third Place – Middle School Category Andrew Ward "All Ears" Conackamack Middle School, Piscataway, NJ

