ARE YOU A FUTURE PHYSICIAN?

INTRODUCTORY SYMPOSIUM

ESSAY CONTEST

DAY WITH A DOCTOR

***Seating is limited!***
You must register through your guidance counselor to attend the symposium.

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Introductory Symposium
Wednesday, November 30, 2016
From 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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**Program Information**

The Doctors of Tomorrow Program is a county-wide student educational program sponsored by the Suffolk Academy of Medicine, to provide personal, first-hand, encouraging information on what it takes to become a doctor. The program consists of an Introductory Symposium, an Essay Contest, and A Day With A Doctor. To be eligible for ANY of these awards you must participate in ALL the listed events!

There is a critical need for new doctors in Suffolk County. As population growth and new developments in technology continue, it is evident that the medical profession itself must actively take part in fostering medicine as a career. Through the Doctors of Tomorrow program, the dedicated members of the Suffolk Academy of Medicine reach out for the brightest young men and women and encourage them to consider the time-honored career of medicine.

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**Introductory Symposium**

The symposium will be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2016 1-3 p.m. A distinguished panel of physicians will outline the trends in medicine, curriculum requirements and available scholarship assistance. The plans for “Operation D.O.T.” and student participation will be explained. There will also be a discussion about admission requirements by the SUNY Stony Brook, School of Medicine’s Assistant Dean of Admissions. Please register with your guidance counselor to attend the symposium as soon as possible, seating is limited!

**Attendance at the Symposium is Mandatory to Continue the Process!**

**Essay Contest**

Interested high school seniors are asked to submit an essay of approximately 200 words on the topic: “The Major Influence Which Contributed to My Desire to Become A Physician.” Entries are judged on originality, composition, style, and neatness. Along with the essay, students will need to provide a list of extracurricular activities; such as work, sports, awards, clubs, etc., both of these items must be submitted no later than Monday, January 9, 2017.

The essay and activity list can be either emailed to scms3@optonline.net or mailed to the Suffolk Academy of Medicine, 1767 Suite 14, Veterans Memorial Highway, Islandia, NY 11749.

After submission of the essay, Guidance Counselors will be contacted to submit a letter of recommendation and SAT scores. Participants will then be teamed up with a physician to complete the Day With A Doctor portion of the program.

An impartial panel of physicians review the entries from each student. Three cash awards of $300, $200 and $100 will be presented by the Suffolk Academy of Medicine, on June 2, 2017, at the Suffolk County Medical Society Annual Meeting and Dinner.

**A Day With A Doctor**

Students participating in the essay contest are required to accompany a physician for one day in the hospital or office prior to March 31, 2017. Each physician then submits his/her evaluation of the student candidate in writing to the Suffolk Academy of Medicine.

**$3,000 in Scholarships**

Three $1,000 scholarships are paid to the medical school of the winning recipients upon registration. The selection of the best all-around candidates in Suffolk County and their alternates are based upon: Interest in Medicine, Extra-Curricular Activities, Academic Ability, their Essay and the “Day With A Doctor” Physician’s Evaluation.

**Edith Friedman Scholarship**

$300 Edith Friedman Scholarship is given out to a high school senior with outstanding community service.

**Robert A. Scher, MD, Scholarship**

$200 Robert A. Scher, MD, Scholarship is given out to a high school senior who has demonstrated a keen interest in school or local government and politics.

We welcome and look forward to your participation in this year’s program.

Ernest Vomero, M.D., Chairman
(Former Scholarship Recipient)