

Springfield Twp. Optimist Club  
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10/25/2018

Optimist International Essay Contest



**Topic for the 2018-2019 School Year is:**

**“When All the World’s Problems are Solved, is Optimism  
Still Necessary?”**

**This contest requires students under 19 as of October 1, 2018 and who are educated in the United States, Canada or the Caribbean to compose a 700 to 800-word essay around a central idea. The contest is designed to develop writing and critical thinking skills. One scholarship of \$2,500 per District is awarded by Optimist International each year. Plus, the Ohio District of Optimist International also awards a \$1,000.00 scholarship.**

**Essay’s & Application form must be turned in to the High School or Intermediate Secretary no later than February 04, 2019. The Optimist Chairperson is Lynn Flaherty. Email [lbfaherty@comcast.net](mailto:lbfaherty@comcast.net)**

**Essay’s will be judged at the club level and the winner will receive 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place medallions & certificates, as well as cash prizes of \$100.00 (1<sup>st</sup> Place), \$75.00 (2<sup>nd</sup> Place), \$50.00 (3<sup>rd</sup> place).**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner will be sent to the Regional Level. The winner of the Regional competition will be sent to the District Level: The winner of the District will receive \$2,500.00 in scholarship funds; that have to be redeemed by age 25.**

Thank You:

Rob McAndrew  
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Club President

