



District Essay Contest Entry Form

To Be Completed by the Club Contest Chair

This form is to be sent with the Club winner’s essay, copy of their birth certificate, passport, or ID and entry fee (if applicable) to the District Essay Chair to be received no later than February 28, 2025.

Contestant Information

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State/Country _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone # (_____) _____ Age _____
(must be under 19 years of age as of October 1, 2024)
 E-mail Address: _____ Gender _____

Statement of Originality

I have studied the Official Rules of the Optimist International Essay Contest and fully understand and agree to be bound by them. Furthermore, I have prepared my own essay with limited assistance. I have given proper credit for any non-original material used. I have not competed in any other Optimist Club Essay Contest this year. I understand that any omission of proper credit or violation of the rules on my part shall mean immediate disqualification.

Contestant’s signature _____ Date ____/____/____

Instruction to Club Chair

1. Re-attach the title page to the essay before submitting to the District Essay Chair.
2. Type or print the name of the sponsoring Club on the title page.
3. Submit the essay along with this form, contestant application, copy of winner’s birth certificate or passport and entry fee (if applicable) to the District Essay Chair to arrive no later than FEBRUARY 28, 2025.

Number of youth in Club contest _____

For Club Chair’s signature

“We, the undersigned, in full compliance with the Optimist International Essay Contest rules, enter this contestant in the District Contest. We understand that this form, the essay and a copy of the birth certificate or passport must be submitted to the Contest Chair before this contestant competes in the next level of the contest.”

Optimist Club of _____ District Name _____
 Club Number _____
 Club President’s Signature _____
 Club Contest Chair’s Signature _____ Printed name: _____