

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

\$ 1,000.00 Per Recipient

2026 Hugh Cranford

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

All-Scholastic

For Boys and Girls Ages 16-18 as of July 29, 2026

Four junior golfers will be awarded for their academic achievements. Golfers selected receive an exemption into the 2026 Optimist Championship, tournament entry which includes golf, hotel accommodations and meals plus a \$1,000.00 scholarship. The \$1,000.00 scholarship award will be sent directly to the financial aid department of the recipient's chosen University, College or Technical School.

APPLICATION STEPS:

1. Complete the application(s) as indicated.
2. Include a writing sample (250 to 500 words) on the topic indicated on application. **No AI allowed for writing Essay.**
3. Attach supporting documentation. The following items are the only items that will be accepted: current school transcript, most-recent grade report, and test results.
4. Two letters of recommendation from adults other than family members.
5. Send the application and supporting documents via email or fax.

Email: golf@optimist.org | Fax: 314-735-4107

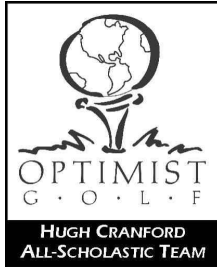
Application must be received no later than April 1, 2026. All applicants will be notified of their status by May 1, 2026.

Applicants must also show that they have acceptable tournament experience to be able to compete.

For questions: (314) 881-1307 or toll free (800) 500-8130, ext. 207.

Thank you for your interest in the Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team





2026 Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team

The Hugh Cranford All-Scholastic Team will consist of up to five junior golfers with high school graduation years of 2026, 2027 or 2028 and who will not turn 19 on or before July 29, 2026. Applications must be received April 1, 2026. Applicants will be notified of their status by May 1, 2026. Junior golfers selected to the team receive an automatic exemption into the 2026 Optimist International Junior Golf Championship which includes tournament entry, hotel accommodations, meals and \$1,000 scholarship. Applicants must also show that they have acceptable golf experience to be able to play at the international level.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print or type)

NAME: _____ MALE _____ FEMALE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, ZIP/POSTAL CODE: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

AGE (AS OF July 29, 2026): _____ DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

HS GRADUATION DATE (MONTH, YEAR): _____ CURRENT YEAR IN SCHOOL: FRESHMAN _____ SOPHOMORE _____ JUNIOR _____ SENIOR _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

SCHOOL: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, ZIP/POSTAL CODE: _____

PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR: _____

CURRENT GPA ON SCALE (i.e. 3.9 of 4.0): _____ CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ CURRENT CLASS RANK (i.e. 6 of 345) _____

SAT SCORES (if applicable) Critical Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite Score: _____

PSAT SCORES (if applicable) Critical Reading: _____ Math: _____ Writing: _____ Composite Score: _____

ACT SCORES (if applicable) English: _____ Math: _____ Reading: _____ Science: _____ Composite Score: _____

CURRENT COURSE LOAD AND GRADES: _____

PLEASE ATTACH COPIES OF ONLY THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: CURRENT SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT,
MOST-RECENT GRADE REPORTS AND TEST RESULTS.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND HONORS

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES / COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE

GOLF EXPERIENCE

CURRENT HANDICAP INDEX: _____ GOLFWEEK RANKING (if known): _____ JR GOLF SCOREBOARD RANKING (if known): _____

FIVE (5) MOST RECENT COMPETITIVE STATE/PROVINCIAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS:

DATE	TOURNAMENT NAME	SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	ROUND-BY-ROUND SCORES	FINISH/FIELD SIZE
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Essay Topic

Please attach your essay on the following topic:

“Where do I see myself in five years and what impact will golf have had on achieving my goals academically and professionally.”

RETURN INFORMATION

Please email, fax or mail application to :

Email: golf@optimist.org

Fax: 314-735-4107

Application must be received no later than **April 1, 2026**

I, the undersigned, certify that the information included in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and that falsification of any information will automatically remove me as an applicant. I also give permission for Optimist International to contact my school for confirmation of GPA, grades and awards.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE