



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

\$1,000.00 Per Recipient

2026

COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

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

One junior golfer will be awarded for their Community Service involvement. 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. Winners must attend the Championship to receive the scholarship.

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 in writing essay**
3. Two letters of recommendation from adults other than family members.
4. Send the application, essay and recommendations 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.

PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print or type)

NAME: _____ MALE _____ FEMALE _____

ADDRESS: _____

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

HOME PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

AGE (AS OF July 30, 2024): _____ DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

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

COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

List community service activities in which you have participated and note any major accomplishment in each. These should be any activities outside of school in which you participated for the betterment of your community.

List Project(s) — Hours works — please list if hours are daily, weekly, monthly, yearly

Include on separate sheet explaining total involvement on project(s)

Year(s)	Name of Organization	How many hours worked	Brief Description of Project

Essay Topic

Please attach your essay on the following topic:

"Where do I see myself in five years and how do I think that my involvement in community service will shape my journey toward personal and professional goals."

GOLF EXPERIENCE

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

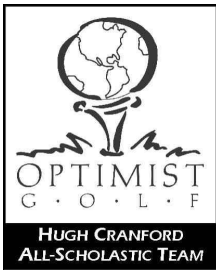
FIVE (5) MOST RECENT COMPETITIVE STATE/PROVINCIAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS:

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

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.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE DATE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE DATE



RETURN INFORMATION

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