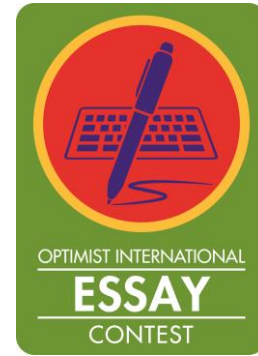


The Bay City Noon Optimist Club
presents:

Optimist International Essay Contest

Applications accepted now through
January 5, 2021



Official Topic:

“Reaching your Dreams by Choosing Optimism”

Focusing on the above-named topic, participants have an opportunity to write about their opinions regarding the world in which they live. The approach can encompass their personal experience, the experience of their country or a more historical perspective. In addition to developing skills for written expression, participants have the opportunity to win a college scholarship.

Scholarships from the Bay City Noon Optimist Club are awarded as follows: First Place = \$500, Second Place = \$250 and Third Place = \$100. The Club’s first place winner will advance to the District level contest to compete for a \$2,500 college scholarship. The District-level scholarships are funded by the Optimist International Foundation.

Included in this mailing are copies of the entry form which includes the official rules (make additional copies as needed). ***Students who are under the age of 19 as of October 1, 2020 are eligible to participate.***

Please note: It is important that the contest rules are followed – most especially Section III. There have been instances where entries were disqualified by not following the format criteria. We want all of our participants to have every advantage to participate in and advance in the competition.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Roberta Spencer at 989-894-8246 or email rspencer@baycitymi.org.

Return Essays by January 5, 2021 to:

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