



The Five Cities Optimist Club

*Presents the annual
Mary Frances Kensinger
Memorial*

*2026 Jr. & Sr. High School
Optimist Essay Contest*

This year's topic is:

***"How My Acts of Service Help Me
Understand What My
Community Means to Me."***

Your essay will be between 700 to 800 words.

Original student composed work only, please.

The Five Cities Optimist Club will award

Cash prizes of:

1st place \$200

2nd place 150

3rd place \$100

1st place essay moves onto the next level of the competition.

Pre-Registration is required, so go to our website:



And submit an application ASAP.

Additional information will be emailed to you.

***DO NOT use your LMUSD email
to submit the application or request information.***
Essay submissions will be accepted until 2-6-2026.

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