

2026 Scholarship Detail

Organization: Daniel Boone Optimist Club

Name of Award: *Members' Memorial Scholarship*

Amount of Award: \$2,000

Area of Award: Winner shall be chosen not necessarily on academic achievement but rather as a student whose actions most resemble *The Optimist Creed* and inspires the respect and admiration of classmates as a result. See copy of *The Optimist Creed* at the bottom of the page.

Qualifications: In a letter, **complete the sentence: "My Classmates respect me because..." in 100 words or less.** In addition, the letter may contain additional information such as details of participation in high school activities and community involvement.

Method of Selection: Letter of application should also include:

- Student's name, address, phone number and email address
- Intended college and college major
- The student's activities, leadership roles, community service, etc.
- Any other information or recommendation the student feels would be helpful in our selection process, such as GPA, class rank, recommendations, etc.

Payment: Check sent to college or to student in full amount after successful completion of first term. Student is required to send second term billing and first term grades report to have the check sent to the student.

Submitting application: Students should email the letter of application and all supporting information to Rosemary T. Wisniewski at: Rosemarytw@hotmail.com. **Please put: *DBOC Memorial Scholarship* in the subject line.** Deadline is March 20, 2026. For questions, please use the above email or contact Rosemary T. Wisniewski at: Phone: 610-291-7918.

The Optimist Creed

Promise Yourself -

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.