

A. CLUB RECOGNITION

1. Honor Club

(Honor Club President's Lanyard, Banner patch with Club President's name for 2021 & 2022. Club will have to purchase patches after that. Virtual Honor Club badge & virtual Club President's name badge to be given)

- Service:** Complete three or more service projects during the Optimist year
- Community:** Recognize a Club member or local community individual
Grow Club by Net of + 3 in membership
Conduct a Membership Recruitment/Drive (i.e. NOW) Program
- Charitable:** Appoint a Club Foundation Representative
Make a non-restricted contribution to the OIF or CCOF of at least \$100
- Education:** Club President, Club President-Elect (or two Designees) attend District Convention (or two other District meetings/conferences)
Club Foundation Representative completes the CFR training on the Optimist International Learning Management System
Club President completes the Club President training on the Optimist International Learning Management System.
Club Secretary/Treasurer completes the Club S/T training on the Optimist International Learning Management System.
- Administrative:** Complete the Club Pride Report and Club Officer-Elect Form
Be current on District and OI Dues and Fees
Club Bylaws to be in compliance with Standard Club Bylaws.

2. Distinguished Club

(Watch for Club President, Distinguished Club President's Lanyard, Banner patch with Club President's name for 2021 & 2022. Club will have to purchase patches after that. Portfolio and Distinguished Club Secretary and/or Treasurer Lanyard. Virtual badge for Distinguished Club, Distinguished President, Distinguished Club Secretary and/or Treasurer)

Meet Honor Club Criteria plus one of the following:

- Community:** Add Net + 15* in membership OR Charter one or more new Clubs
OR
Increase by Net + 8 and charter two or more JOI Clubs
*These are the total amounts of net member increases required. The +3 required for Honor Club is included in the +15 or +8 required for Distinguished Club.

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B. DISTRICT RECOGNITION

1. Distinguished Lt Governor (Distinguished Lt. Governor Lanyard, Plaque, Virtual Badge)

All Clubs in Zone are Honor Clubs
OR

- Community: Net + 6 in membership and charter one or more Clubs (JOI Clubs do not fulfill this requirement)
Attend meetings for all Clubs once or more, including any new Club that is chartered.
- Charitable: 75% of Clubs appoint a Club Foundation Representative
- Education: Attend a minimum of 75% of all District meetings/conferences
Lt. Governor completes the Lt. Governor training on the Optimist International Learning Management System.
- Administrative: All Clubs current on District and OI Dues (all financial obligations paid by September 30)
All reports filed with Optimist International as required

2. Honor District (Governor) (Honor District Governor Lanyard, Lapel Pin and Virtual Badge)

- Community: Grow District by Net + 10 in membership
Charter one or more new adult Clubs (JOI Clubs do not fulfill this requirement)
- Charitable: 75% of Clubs appoint a Club Foundation Representative
\$7500 or more raised in Unrestricted Funds on behalf of the District
- Education: 50% of Club President take Club Presidents Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Secretary/Treasurers take CST Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Foundation Reps take CFR Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
- Administrative: All reports filed with Optimist International as required

All clubs current on District and OI Dues (all financial obligations paid by September 30)

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3. **Distinguished Governor**

(Distinguished Governor Lanyard, Ring)

- Community: Grow District by Net + 25 in membership
Charter three or more adult Clubs (JOI Clubs do not fulfill this requirement)
- Charitable: 75% of Clubs appoint a Club Foundation Representative
Make an unrestricted donation to the OIF or CCOF of \$10,000 or more on behalf of the District
- Education: 50% of Club President take Club Presidents Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Secretary/Treasurers take CST Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System Training in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Foundation Reps take CFR Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
- Administrative: All Clubs current on District and OI Dues (all financial obligations paid/submitted by September 30)
All reports filed with Optimist International as required

4. **Distinguished Secretary/Treasurer**

(Distinguished Secretary and/or Treasurer Lanyard, Watch)

- Community: Grow District by Net + 25 in membership
Charter three or more Clubs (JOI Clubs do not fulfill this requirement)
- Charitable: 75% of Clubs appoint a CFR
Make an unrestricted donation to the OIF or CCOF of \$10,000 or more raised in Unrestricted Funds on behalf of the District
- Education: 50% of Club President take Club Presidents Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Secretary/Treasurers take CST Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year
50% of Club Foundation Reps take CFR Training on the Optimist International Learning Management System in/for Optimist year

Administrative: All Clubs current on District and OI Dues (all financial obligations paid/submitted by September 30)
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5. Governor Pacesetter Award
(Plaque)

Community: Grow District by Net + 15 in membership by June 30.
Charter two or more new adult Clubs by June 30.

C. BUILDERS OF EXCELLENCE
(Medallion for First BOE – Ribbon Star thereafter)

Up to four Builders of Excellence can be named for each new adult Club, regardless of the number of Sponsor Clubs.

Up to two Builders of Excellence can be named for a Club within a Club.

D. SPONSOR PIN INCENTIVE

Sponsor pins shall be awarded to Members when sponsoring 1, 5, 15, 20, and 35 New Members.

Notes:

1. Recognition of the Administrative Year will not be announced until after January 10 of the following administrative year,
2. Submission of the Club Pride Report is required for proof of completed service projects.
3. All reports for Distinguished Governor are to be received for year the Governor served.
4. Clubs will only receive the highest award achieved.

(Mar 2011; Jul 2011; Dec 2011; Feb 2013; Dec 2015; **Jun 2020 – eff 10/1/2020**)