



## LO Optimist Scholarship Contest 2018-2019

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# Essay Contest

The contest is open to students under age 18 as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018

**Topic: “When All the World’s Problems are Solved, is Optimism Still Necessary?”**

Compose a 700 to 800 word essay around this central idea.  
(Title, footnotes and bibliography are not included in the final word count.)

**Entry Due: February 1, 2019**

Please send contest entry to Kevin Kast at [kevin.kast@lok12.org](mailto:kevin.kast@lok12.org)

The contest is sponsored by Optimist International to give young people room to develop their own views around a central idea. In addition to developing skills for written expression, participants also have the opportunity to win a college scholarship.

**The winner of the Lake Orion contest will earn a \$100 gift card and their essay will be sent to the district level.**

**A \$2,500 District Optimist Scholarship and plaque will be awarded to the winner.** In addition, the winner’s essay will be sent to the international level to be judged along with winners from other Optimist districts. One international winner will be chosen and will receive an engraved plaque and recognition in *The Optimist* magazine.

**For complete ‘Official Rules’ and Application visit**

**<http://www.optimist.org/>**



