

7th District Optimist Scholarship
P.O. Box 53
Bushwood, MD 20618

The 7th District Optimist Scholarship Program offers entering college freshmen a scholarship pool of \$6000 which will be offered to students with a 3.0 or better in your high school graduating class. Maximum award will be \$2000 per awardee. College scholarship awards are for the fall semester of their first year. These awards are granted to the student and the learning institution where they have been accepted. These awards are made in addition to any scholarship, grants or other assistance that the students may receive from other sources.

Eligibility:

- **Be officially enrolled for the fall semester at an accredited 4-year college or community college.**
- **Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher**
- **Must graduate from high school in the present school year**
- **Students must reside in school boundaries of Chopticon or St. Mary's Ryken (northern county area).**

Scholarship Guidelines:

Guidelines for Applying for the 7th District Optimist \$2,000.00 College Scholarship

When applying for a scholarship, it is important to include as much information in your resume as possible. We want to know as much about you as we can in order to choose the correct recipient for this gift. Usually, there are some requirements that must be met in order to qualify for this money. We will highlight the information that we need below.

Besides the normal information that is required, we are asking for your resume. **This resume** should be at least **100-200 words** and include the following areas.

- Introduce yourself to our panel
- GPA/ for all four years of school
- Leadership/ such as President/Secretary/Treasurer /Captain etc.
- Community Service/ How many years and how you were involved?
- School Service/ what organizations or activities did you participate in?
- Future Goals/ College/ Community College etc.
- Your Resume/ should be neat and preferably typed
- Your Resume should include several accomplishments throughout High School
- Family Contribution/ (FAFSA)
- Include **why you want this \$2000,00 Scholarship**



Seventh District Optimist
Club
Post Office Box 53



*7th District Optimist Scholarship Program
Application*

Application Instructions: Please observe these instructions carefully when preparing your application. Applications that omit one or more of the following information will not be considered. This form by itself is NOT a complete application. **The application deadline is April 18, 2026. All application materials must be typed.**

- **Be officially enrolled for the fall semester at an accredited 4-year college, community college or accredited trade school**
- Submit an official high school transcript with all academic work posted through the junior year. Transcript must also indicate official numeric rank.(photocopies and computer printouts are not acceptable; official transcripts can be obtained from your registrar's office)
- Current resume including activities, work experience, volunteerism
- Three letters of recommendation (family excluded)
- Essay describing your career ambitions in 300 words or less
- Completed application form with required attachments

Student Applicant:

Name

Last

First

Middle Initial

School Attending in Fall

Parents Name

Home Address

Street and/or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

Phone #

Counselor/School Information:

Counselor's Name:

School Name:

School Address:

Street and/or P.O. Box

City

State

Zip

School Phone #:

Student's Grade Point Average:

Class Standing (Rank and size of Class)

PACT/PSAT Score (circle appropriate one)

ACT Score

SAT Score

I certify by my signature below that the statements contained within these materials are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith.

Student's Signature/Date

Counselor's Signature/Date

Parent (Guardian) Signature/Date

Return completed applications to:

7th District Optimist

Attn: Scholarship Chairman

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