



Optimist International Essay Contest

Optimist International is an association of more than 2,900 Optimist Clubs around the world dedicated to "Bringing Out the Best in Kids."

Locally, the "500" West Optimist Club is sponsoring an essay contest. Students under the age of 18 as of December 31, 2011 who have not yet graduated from high school may participate.

This year's topic is: "How My Positive Outlook Benefits my Community"

Prizes will be awarded at the Club level and at the District level.

Guidelines to follow:

- The essay must be 700-800 words in length not including title, footnotes and bibliography and double-spaced
- Must have title page
- Each page must be numbered centered at the bottom of each page
- May use MLA or APA
- May not reference Cardinal Ritter, Indianapolis, or yourself or your family

Submissions must be received by February 17, 2012

Please contact Mrs. Locke for more information at llocke@cardinalritter.org.
Please send edited submissions to the same email address by the due date.