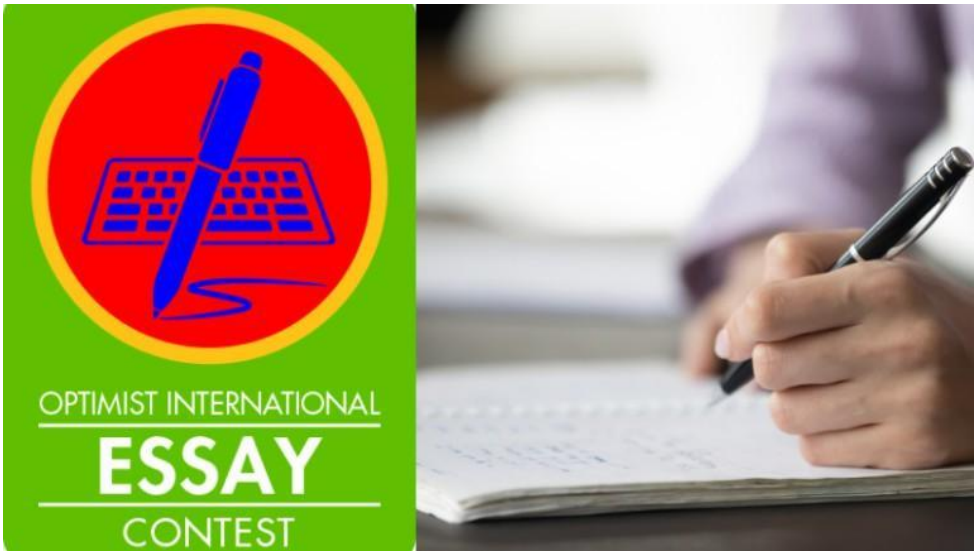

Students under the age of 19 are invited to submit an essay during the months of October 2026 through January 2027. One winner will advance to the finals at the Ohio District Contest for a chance at a $3,500 scholarship. The Essay Contest is sponsored by The Centerville Noon Optimist Club to give students the opportunity to write about their own opinions regarding the world in which we live.

The official 2026-2027 Optimist International Essay Contest Topic is:

"Finding My Voice in a World Full of Noise"

Submit entries by completing the application form. Students should pay close attention to all rules, scoring information, and penalties detailed in the application. The deadline for submission is February 1, 2027.

The top 3 essay writers will be invited to read their essays and accept their medals and prize on Tuesday, March 2, 2027 during the Centerville Noon Optimist luncheon at Yankee Trace Golf Club.

The cash prizes awarded will be:

- $500 for first place
- $250 for second place
- $100 for third place

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