

APPLICATION FOR  
SOUTH TOMS RIVER AREA OPTIMIST CLUB 2023 SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICANT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR OF GRADUATION \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE or TRADE SCHOOL ATTENDING OR PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

INTENDED MAJOR or TRADE \_\_\_\_\_

Submit the following with completed application above:

\*Applicant's current transcripts or GPA/grade report, **and**

\*A brief report of applicant's extracurricular activities, **and**

\*Applicant's original essay, **700 – 800 words**, on the theme ***"Is there a person in your life who makes you feel optimistic? How is that important to you?"*** Essay may not be published elsewhere prior to April 2023 and may be used by the STR Area Optimist Club, in whole or in part, for promotional purposes.

\*Winning essay will be judged, 50% on essay content, 30% on literary skills, 20% on applicant's overall academic performance; GPA, etc. A five point preference will be given to South Toms River and Manitou Park residents. Proof of acceptance to a college, university, or trade school will be required before the scholarship will be issued to the winner.

\*Essay must be double spaced, preferably typed or printed out and may be submitted with the application by email to [srossjr@comcast.net](mailto:srossjr@comcast.net) or by USPS to STR Area Optimist Club 2023 Scholarship 16 Hummel Dr. South Toms River, NJ 08757 and **must be received by April 30, 2023.**