

APPLICATION FOR  
SOUTH TOMS RIVER AREA OPTIMIST CLUB 2021 SCHOLARSHIP

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

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

COLLEGE ATTENDING OR PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

INTENDED MAJOR \_\_\_\_\_

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 "What does optimism mean to you and how can it help you reach your goals?" Essay may not be published elsewhere prior to May 2021 and may be used by the STR Area Optimist Club, in whole or in part, for promotional purposes.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 or university 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 2021 Scholarship 16 Hummel Dr. South Toms River, NJ 08757 and **must be received by May 20, 2021.**