

Optimist Club of Jackson

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Each year, the Optimist Club of Jackson will award a minimum \$500 Scholarship to at least two deserving graduates.

Scholarship Amount: A minimum \$500 individual scholarship is awarded with a net total awarded to all graduates of \$4,000

Scholarship Length: One year

Selection Criteria: A committee of Optimist Club members will make selections based upon an applicant's commitment to community service, financial need, recommendations and dedication to academics (a minimum GPA of 2.50).

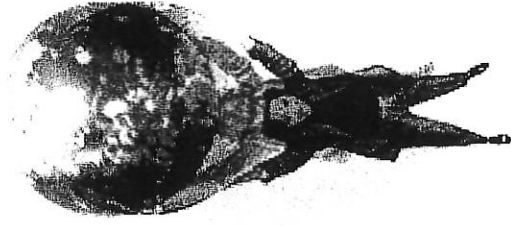
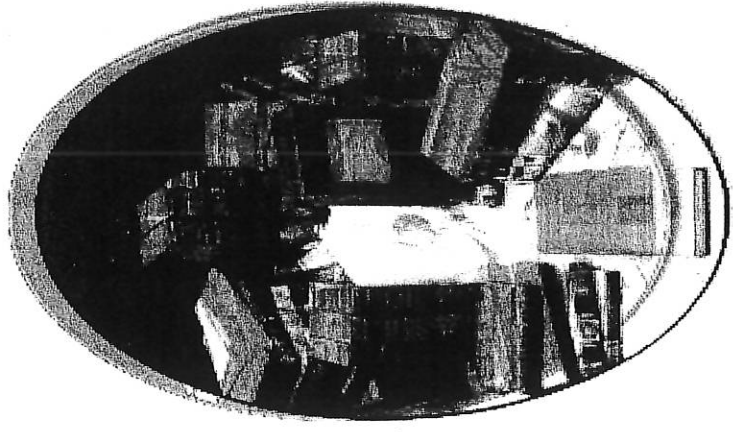
Application Process:

Complete this application and return to the Optimist Club of Jackson by **May 1** of your senior year, along with:

- ◆ A copy of your academic transcript
- ◆ FAFSA or SAR
- ◆ Two letters of recommendation

Fund Distribution: The scholarships will be paid directly to the college/university of the student's choice upon receipt of that institution's billing invoice. These funds may be used for tuition, books, food and/or other living expenses associates with higher education.

Gordon Will Opportunity Scholarship





APPLICATION
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____ - Date Received
____ - Community Service
____ - Financial Need
____ - Recommendations
____ - Essay
____ - GPA
____ - Application Complete

Applicant's Name: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____
(Street, City, State, Zip)

What is your gender?	Male	Female
Have you been accepted to a college/university?	Yes	No

On a separate sheet of paper, please type your responses to the following questions:

1. List your participation in all community service projects.
2. In 200-250 words, please tell us which of those community service projects has been the most meaningful to you and why?
3. Provide your employment history and how many hours you work per week.
4. List your most recent semester/term GPA as well as your cumulative GPA (*remember, we will still need an official copy of your HS Transcripts*).
5. What college are you planning on attending?
6. List all of your financial support for college. Please include personal resources as well as all grants, scholarships, and award monies you already plan on receiving (*remember, we will still need a copy of your FAFSA or SAR forms if applicable*).
7. List your anticipated 1st year college costs (*including tuition, books, and housing expenses*).
8. List who you have asked for recommendations:

Recommendation #1 _____ Contact #: _____

Recommendation #2 _____ Contact #: _____

To complete your application, be sure to include this sheet, your typed response page(s), a copy of your academic transcripts, FAFSA or SAR forms, and the two recommendation letters. Limit your response materials to those requested. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 is required. Please return application materials directly to The Optimist Club of Jackson by May 1st.