



Optimist INTERNATIONAL

Optimist Club of
Mt Pleasant, Ontario

MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMIST STUDENT BURSARY

APPLICATION FORM

Optimist International is a worldwide volunteer organization whose members work each day to make the future brighter by bringing out the best in children, in their communities and in themselves.

OPTIMISTS – BRINGING OUT THE BEST IN KIDS

Application deadline: May 1st of your Grade 8 or Grade 12 year

Application available at www.mountpleasantoptimist.org

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible you must:

1. Be a permanent resident of Mount Pleasant, ON, Canada, N0E 1K0, and live within the Mount Pleasant Public School Attendance Boundary, as identified by the Grand Erie School Board. Please submit proof of address with the application (i.e. utility bill)
2. Be registered in grade 8 or grade 12 during the school year, and for those in grade 12, proof of accepted admission, as a full-time student, at a recognized post-secondary institution.
3. Demonstrate high ideals and qualities of citizenship.
4. Complete a minimum of 20 volunteer hours for those in grade 8 or a minimum of 55 volunteer hours for those in grade 12. It is the expectation that at a minimum 25% of the required hours be completed within Mount Pleasant. A log shall be submitted which includes dates of hours completed, activity completed, the location of volunteer activity and the number of hours.
5. Complete and submit a project, using a medium of your choice, as outlined in the application.
6. Submit a letter of reference from a supervisor of your volunteer experience, regarding the activities conducted during this experience, your conduct and performance.
7. Submit a letter of reference from a recent or current school teacher, regarding your conduct and performance at school.
8. Submit a photocopy of most recent report card or school transcripts.
9. MAIL this completed application form, project, and all other requested information to the **MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMIST CLUB**, PO Box 101, 711 Mount Pleasant Road, Mount Pleasant, ON, N0E 1K0 on or before May 1.

NOTES:

- The responsibility for the completed application and project rests with the applicant; be sure to answer ALL questions, or the application will not be considered.

- Any information provided may be subject to authentication.
- All information on the application form will be held in the strictest of confidence.
- Applications will be evaluated based on effort and content.

To be completed by all applicants

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Identify any relationship with the **MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMIST CLUB** or members:

PRIVACY STATEMENT AND APPLICATION AGREEMENT

Personal information under the control of the **MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMIST CLUB** shall remain confidential and shall not, without the consent of the individual to whom it relates, be used by the CLUB except: for the purpose for which the information was obtained or compiled by the CLUB or for a use consistent with that purpose.

By completing and authorizing this application, you consent to the use of your personal information for processing of the application and publication of your name in the media.

I hereby certify that all information is accurate and can be verified upon request.

I hereby acknowledge and agree to the above privacy statements and use of my personal information by the CLUB.

Signature of applicant _____

Signature of parent (for applicants under 21 years of age) _____

Date of application _____

For grade 8 students only:

Bursary amount for the successful applicant(s) is \$250.

Complete a project, using a medium of your choice, based on lessons learned during your volunteer experience regarding one of the following topics:

- a. Pay it forward.
- b. How your volunteer experience made a difference to those in your community or to those you assisted.

School(s) attended:

Extracurricular activities:

Community involvement:

Current goals:

For grade 12 students only:

Bursary amount for the successful applicant(s) is \$1000.

Complete a project, using a medium of your choice, based on lessons learned during your volunteer experience regarding one of the following topics:

- a. How your volunteer experience made a difference to those in your community or to those you assisted.
- b. How youth today make a positive difference in our community.
- c. What in your opinion is the biggest challenge facing youth today?

School(s) attended:

Extracurricular activities:

Community involvement:

Current goals (including future career or profession):

Awards and other achievements:

Any other information which may be useful to the MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMIST CLUB.