



March, 2018

Dear Students;

Thank you for your interest in the Optimist Club of Raleigh Youth Appreciation Week (YAW) Scholarship program.

To apply for an Optimist Club of Raleigh YAW scholarship, you must:

- Be a Wake County resident in your senior year of high school,
- Answer each question on the application form and complete all requested attachments, and
- Have your application reviewed by your Guidance Counselor for accuracy and completeness. Your Counselor should provide or initial your GPA.

Our Website, [www.raleigh-optimist.org](http://www.raleigh-optimist.org), contains the application forms which may be printed.

Should you need more information or have any questions, please contact your Guidance Counselor.

**Important:** Scholarship applications must be postmarked by midnight, March 28, 2018 to ensure that the completed applications reach the Optimist Club of Raleigh on or before April 5, 2018. Applications received by the Club after April 5, 2018 will not be processed.

If you are selected as a scholarship winner, you will be presented with a voucher for the dollar amount of your award. Then, when you have registered and are attending the university, college or trade/vocational school of your choice, complete the information on the voucher and return it to the Optimist Club of Raleigh. We will then send a check to the school to be applied to your account.

Your award will be presented at our Youth Appreciation Week luncheon meeting to be scheduled in late April or May 2018. You may invite your parents and Guidance Counselor as guests of the Optimist Club of Raleigh. The meeting will be scheduled on a Monday at the Golden Corral, 6129 Glenwood Avenue in Raleigh.

Thank you again for your interest in this scholarship program!

Carolyn Lackey, Optimist Club of Raleigh