

CHARLOTTE OPTIMIST CLUB

JOHN W. DURIS SCHOLARSHIP



(Please Print)

Name _____

School _____

Date _____

Please fill out this application carefully and completely. Include any special information which might be helpful in evaluating your eligibility and return the application to P.O. Box 70, Charlotte, MI 48813 or scan form and email to Cheryl Starr, Chairperson.

To be eligible for application consideration, **a hardcopy of this application** must also be returned to the Charlotte Optimist Club postmarked by **April 1st** and you must be a high school senior.

A PDF of this application can be found at:
optimistclubcharlotte.weebly.com
[facebook.com/optimistclubcharlottemi](https://www.facebook.com/optimistclubcharlottemi)

Charlotte Optimist Club

John W. Duris Memorial Scholarship

The CHARLOTTE OPTIMIST JOHN W. DURIS SCHOLARSHIP was first awarded in 1984 to benefit students involved in Eaton Intermediate School District's Vocational Program.

Guidelines for administering the scholarship:

1. This scholarship will be awarded to students from the school districts of Charlotte, Potterville and/ or Maple Valley but may not be limited to. Scholarships will be awarded to deserving senior students planning to further their education beyond high school. Students planning to attend a technical school will be given preference, but scholarships are not limited only to a technical school. This scholarship will be awarded to students that display drive, ambition and an entrepreneurial spirit.

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Minimum 2.5 GPA (on a 4.0 scale)
- Academic Achievement
- School and Community Involvement
- Leadership Qualities
- Initiative
- Submitted Essay

The deadline for submitting a completed application is **April 1st**. A hardcopy of this application must be mailed to the address on the front. An emailed application will hold your place but does not complete the application process. **A hardcopy of this application must be received at P.O. Box 70, Charlotte, MI 48813 by April 1st to be considered.**

2. The Selection Committee may be made up of Charlotte Optimist Club members.
3. The selected student(s) shall be awarded a one-year, \$750.00 minimum scholarship but not limited to.
4. Presentation of the scholarship will be made at an Optimist Club meeting in May or June.
5. The money for the scholarship fund will be given to the student when he or she shows transcript that they have enrolled in an accredited school or program.
6. In the event the student does not complete the term/semester, for any reason other than illness, he/ she will be expected to return the unused portion to the scholarship fund.
7. In the event that a selected student does not enroll in an accredited school or program the money will remain in the scholarship fund.
8. The Charlotte Optimist Club reserves the right to change the amount of the award and/or the number of awards to be given.

DIRECTIONS:

Please fill out this application carefully and completely. Include any special information which might be helpful in evaluating your eligibility.

A hardcopy of this application must be mailed to **P.O. Box 70, Charlotte, MI 48813** or scan and email to: **cstarr.starr1@gmail.com** Cheryl Starr, Chairperson or contact:

- Cheryl Starr, Chairperson..... 517-543-6721
- Don Jones..... 517-256-5957
- Mike Bruce..... 517-543-5143

PERSONAL INFORMATION: (Please Print)

Name _____
Last First Middle

Home Address _____
Number Street City State Zip

Telephone (_____) _____ Date of Birth _____
Month Day Year

Cellphone (_____) _____ E-Mail _____

Parents/Guardians _____

High School Attended _____

Name of Vocational class(es) attended _____

**I hereby authorize the school to release a copy of my transcript to the scholarship committee.
I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information on this application is correct and complete.**

Student Signature _____ **Date:** _____

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES							
(Attach additional pages if necessary)							
Name of Group, Sport, Activity	School Year				Avg. Hours Per Month	Position Held	Most Significant Contribution
	9	10	11	12			

NON-SCHOOL RELATED ACTIVITIES
(Include Church Groups, Volunteer Activities, Scouting, 4-H)

Name of Group, Sport, Activity	School Year				Avg. Hours Per Month	Position Held	Most Significant Contribution
	9	10	11	12			

EMPLOYMENT
(Include Summer and School Year Employment)

Employer	School Year				Avg. Hours Per Week	Position Held	Description of Duties
	9	10	11	12			

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AND AWARDS
(Include School and Non-School)

Award Title	School Year				Description of what you did to earn the honor
	9	10	11	12	

EDUCATION Cumulative GPA _____ Rank in class _____ of _____

Score attained on ACT or any other national test (indicate test).

ACT Test score _____
 _____ score _____
 _____ score _____

Please include one or more references from Teacher, Dept. Head, or Counselor etc. (not required). Attach Letters of Reference to your application.

<p align="center">SUBMIT ESSAY</p> <p>Please submit an essay in your own words describing why you feel you should be considered for the scholarship. Please include your career goals.</p> <p>Typed 200-300 word maximum. Attach a typed copy of essay to your application.</p>

EDUCATION PLANS

All Colleges, Universities, Technical Schools Applied To	Date Applied	Intended Field of Study	Status of Application (Accepted, Rejected, Wait List)

Which college, university, technical school do you plan to attend? _____