



Optimist Club of Knoxville

“By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in our youth, in our community, and in ourselves.”

October 13, 2017

Dear Guidance Counselor:

The Optimist Club of Knoxville is proud to announce an excellent opportunity for your English and composition students to be rewarded and recognized for their writing skills. Our essay contest is that opportunity! Your school is invited to submit up to three essays. First, second, and third place winners at our club contest will receive \$500, \$250 and \$125 respectively. The first place winner's essay will automatically be entered in the district contest, where the prize is a \$2,500 college scholarship.

This year's topic, “Can Society Function Without Respect?” could not be more timely. I hope you can use our contest as a class assignment, and as such, a source of positive motivation and rewards for your students. Enclosed is an application which explains the contest rules. Please feel free to copy the application and distribute it to your essay writers.

To have your school included, please contact me at 865-588-4472 before **October 31, 2017**. I will then forward more information to assist you, including judging criteria and judges' score sheets. The deadline for submitting essays is January 5, 2018.

I look forward to hearing from you and having your school participate in this worthwhile contest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gibbs M. Prevost, Jr., D.D.S.".

Gibbs M. Prevost, Jr., D.D.S.
Optimist Club Essay Contest Chairman

P.O. Box 358, Knoxville, Tennessee 37901

Like us on  Follow us on 

www.knoxoptimist.org