



OPTIMIST CLUB OF VIRGINIA BEACH

"Friend of Youth"

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Essay Contest

When: Entries due Friday, February 14, 2014

Where: Submit to Optimist Club of Virginia Beach

Prizes: Medallions, Certificates and College Scholarships

Topic: "How Dreams Lead to Success"

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The Optimist Club of Virginia Beach is encouraging area students to write a 700 to 800 word essay about the topic "How Dreams lead to Success" as part of the Optimist International Essay Contest for the 2013-2014 school year. Essays are due to the Optimist Club of Virginia Beach Friday, February 14, 2014. Also please see the Virginia Beach Schools scholarship web site and optimist.org for additional information.

Professional and prominent members of the local community will assist the Optimist Club judging the local students' essays to determine the top winners. Winners will receive certificates, medallions and winning essays will be sent to the district level for the opportunity to win \$2,500. college scholarships.

Students under the age of 19, who have not yet graduated from high school or the equivalent, are eligible to participate. A printed copy of birth certificate or passport must be presented with contest entry. Please see contest application for contest rules and details.

Optimist International is one of the world's largest service club organizations with 93,000 adult and youth members in 3,200 clubs in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean and Mexico and throughout the world. The Optimist Essay Contest is one of the organization's most popular programs, with more than 2,000 clubs participating annually.

