



# Optimist Club of Reno Trade Scholarship Program 2025-26

The Optimist Club of Reno is proud to announce the Optimist Club of Reno Scholarship Program for students ages 16-20. **Five(5) \$2000** scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled in northern Nevada recognized trade schools.



## Applicants must:

- Be at least sixteen(16) years of age and not older than 20 years of age
- Be a legal citizen of the fifty (50) United States
- Enrolled in a trade school or CTE recognized program in a high school.

## Student Applications must include:

- On-line Scholarship Application
- Recommendation from a CTE teacher, employer, counselor or school administrator  
Optimist will contact recommender (requires email address of recommender)
- Official Copy of (current) School Transcript
- Applicant Photo

**Application Deadline: February 25th, 2026** at 11:59 pm Pacific Standard Time

**Reference: Optimist Club of Reno TRADE Scholarship Application**

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**AWARDS: To be announced March 1st, 2026. Mandatory for the scholar or a representative to attend the Optimist Youth Appreciation Celebration on March 8th, 2026, Reno Elks Lodge, 597 Kumle, Lane, Reno NV from 2pm-5pm. Mandatory for awardees.**

All decisions are final. Students applying must have the consent of their parents if under Age 18 and submit proof of enrollment (award) and completion (award).



## Optimist Club of Reno Trade Scholarship Application Form

*Print and use this cover page for the application package.*

First and Last Name			Date
Mailing Address			Email
Date of Birth		Trade School Website	
Trade School Name		Applicant Phone	
Recommending Teacher Name		Phone	
Current School attending		Student is US Citizen and legal citizen	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**For applicants under 18 years old:** By signing this scholarship application, the parent(s) or guardian(s) agree to submit this information, to provide a press and photo release, and to support the Optimist Club of Reno in a recognition event. Scholarships and distribution methods are subject to change without notice. Scholarships may be rescinded if the student elects not to pursue post-secondary school training or college. Terms and conditions for receiving a scholarship will be provided upon the scholarship decision and notification of the award. **Students awarded must update contact information annually to remain in good communication standing with the Optimist Club of Reno. Students will be expected to contact the Optimist Club for inquiries and follow through with their required terms.**

FOR Applicants < 18 years old	Guardian or Parent Signature	Student is US Citizen and legal citizen	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Approve Photo and Press Release			
Parent Address		Grade	
Parent Phone		Parent Email	

Check List: Initial ALL below

File #1  This cover sheet completed  
 Official Copy of School Transcript  
 **Optional** - Resume of Awards, Extracurricular Activities and Services

File #2  Applicant Photo, authorized and released for publication