

2026 JOI SCHOLARSHIPS

Outstanding JOI Member Award **\$2,000 scholarship**

In memory of Jack Ackerman, an Ohio advisor dedicated to the JOI Program, and who made a difference in many lives.

- Member in good standing
- Hold no office above the club level
- Essay (open topic of 500 words or less)
- 2 letters of recommendation (non-family members)

JOI Achievement Award – Recognition of an Outstanding JOI Career **\$2,000 Scholarship**

- Junior or senior year of school (or equivalent)
- District or International Officer
- JOI Member for 3 or more years
- Two letters of recommendation from JOI mentors
- Essay (750 -1200 words)
- Topic: “How will your experience with JOI carry you into your next chapter?”

The deadline to submit all paperwork to juniormember@optimist.org is July 30, 2026.

