

Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

ID-22

1. Districts are to conduct one contest combining genders and methods of communication (verbal or sign). Districts in which Clubs have funded a second scholarship may hold contests separated by method of communication
2. District contests must involve no fewer than five contestants district-wide in order to qualify for scholarship funds.
3. Districts holding only one contest must award \$1,500 as first prize. Districts in which Clubs have funded a second scholarship may hold two separate contests and award two \$1,500 first prizes.
4. Districts must observe a deadline date of September 30 prior to the start of the year to commit to holding a CCDHH for that year.
5. District CCDHH reports must be received at Optimist International within 30 days of the completion of the contest, but in no case later than September 30.
6. Effective the 2005 –2006 Optimist year, students interested in participating in the contest must submit the results of an audiogram conducted no earlier than 24 months prior to the date of the contest from a qualified audiologist. Students must be certified to have a hearing loss of 40 decibels or more by a qualified audiologist and supported by the audiogram to be eligible to compete.

(Dec 1982; Jul 1989; Sept 1991; Mar 1994; Mar 1998; Nov 2001; Dec 2004)