

“HUNT FOR OPTIMISM 2024”

CONTEST RULES

The US Constitution: The Bill Of Rights

Sponsored By The Optimist Clubs of Columbia

1. Open to any Columbia students enrolled in public, private, parochial, independent, or home schools.
2. **Participants must register.** Email the completed registration form to the Control Email address: HuntForOptimism@gmail.com . Be sure to include all of the following:
 - a. Your name, cell phone number, and email address from which you will be reporting.
 - b. Your parent’s or guardian’s name and cell phone or email to contact for permission to use minor’s photo. **NOTE: NO PHOTOS OR VIDEOS CAN BE ACCEPTED OR PROGRESS RECORDED UNTIL WE RECEIVE PARENTAL OR GUARDIAN SIGNED PERMISSION.**
3. You must obey all Columbia Parks & Recreation Rules.
4. There are ten unique flyers to find in ten different city parks, each one highlighting a different Constitutional amendment enumerated in the Bill Of Rights. You will be given geolocation clues the evening of March 29th via email if you are pre-registered, and on our website at <https://downtownoptimistclub.org/educational-contests/> if you are not. You will have until Tuesday, April 30th to find all ten geocaches and submit your selfie videos. Some free apps that might help you along the way are Google Maps, Pure GPS, GPS Tracks, and others.
5. Your mission is to find all of the ten amendments making up our **Bill Of Rights**, in any order. Each amendment is in a separate container that will be hidden in one of Columbia’s many public parks. No climbing, digging, or dismantling is required (or allowed!) **Be prepared for inclement weather – the contest will go on (hey, we’re in Missouri)!**
 - a. Locate a geocache in a city park with one of **your** US Constitution’s Bill Of Rights.
 - b. Take a selfie video of you holding that amendment and reading that amendment. Begin your selfie video by stating your name and which amendment you have found.
 - c. After taking your selfie, place the amendment back in its container, and place the holder back where it was found and as it was found.
 - d. After finding all ten amendments, email your composite selfie video to the control email above for your progress to be tracked and recorded.
 - e. Contest ends on April 30, 2024, at 10:00 pm. There will be contest prizes:
 - i. The name of each person who discovers all ten Bill Of Rights amendments by the deadline will be placed in a drawing.
 - ii. The first ten names that are drawn will receive a \$50 gift card.
 - iii. Every participant will receive a copy of the US Constitution and all of its amendments.

Stay Safe! Get Outdoors! Explore! Find Optimism!

Have Fun!

Questions?: Contact Rick McKernan, Downtown Optimist Club at (573) 881-3471.

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CONTEST REGISTRATION

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***** Print clearly. If we can't read it, you can't win! *****

Student Info

Date: _____ Nickname or Alias: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Student Contact Information

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone, if any: _____

Student Signature

Parent or Guardian Info

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Info

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Street Address: _____ ZIPCODE: _____

RELEASE

I understand that, as part of this contest, my child will be submitting ten “selfie” videos, each reciting one of the US Constitution’s first ten amendments, known as the Bill Of Rights. I herewith authorize the Optimist Clubs of Columbia and Optimist International to use these videos for any purpose consistent with publicizing the mission and purposes of Optimist International. By allowing my child to participate, I release from liability the Optimist Clubs and their respective members.

Signed at Columbia, MO, this _____ Day of _____, 20____.

Relationship: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature

Submit completed form to: HuntForOptimism@gmail.com

2024 HUNT FOR OPTIMISM CONTEST

Latitude & Longitude Coordinates

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Our American forefathers had a much harder time finding the common ground that gave us these first ten amendments to our US Constitution than you will have as you search for each.

As you find each one, we ask you to consider why people in this new country almost 300 years ago felt **these rights** were so important that they were listed separately and expressly.

This year is an election year. No matter what your personal political affiliation, all parties agree an active interest in good government and civic affairs is essential to our country's success.

The coordinates listed below, in no particular order, are the key to finding your Rights! Enter them in your search bar to get close, then use your observation skills to find them.

<u>LATITUDE</u>	<u>LONGITUDE</u>
38.91594	92.40170
38.97030	92.36831
38.90180	92.34383
38.92502	92.31253
38.94484	92.38734
38.93855	92.29517
38.95230	92.31048
38.89533	92.29473
38.89978	92.38600
39.01115	92.28785

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