ORDER OF AHEPA DISTRICT #10
EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
2023

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COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Sophomore through Postgraduate Studies)

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This application form is to be filled out in its entirety as per the enclosed instructions. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all parts are completed and received by the District No. 10 Educational Foundation by the

Due Date of APRIL 1st

5:00pm Eastern Time.

Form ACSA#8 -Revised 12/31/2022

Dear College Student:

Congratulations on your achievements! We are proud of you for continuing in the Hellenic tradition of higher education.

For the last forty eight years, the Michigan based AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation has given financial support to successful students like yourself to help you achieve your life aspirations and dreams.

Please **start your application process as soon as possible** by requesting recommendation letters and transcripts as they may take up to 5 weeks to be received. In the meantime, start completing the application by gathering your information to fill out the PDF fields. Begin thinking about how to approach your essay so that you can communicate clearly your ideas to the selection committee. We understand the busy schedules of students so if you are unable to finish the application all at once you may save your work and return to it for completion.
This year the requirement is to send in the **printed** hard copy of the application with recommendation letters and transcripts **AND** also to email the filled out PDF application along with a color wallet size picture of yourself in jpg format.

For the application to be considered, the complete package must be received via US Mail or hand delivered <u>as well as</u> the PDF application and photo emailed by April 1st, 5:00pm eastern time.

It is recommended that you submit your application early so that if there is a need to contact you for any clarification of your application there is time for follow up.

Please direct any questions you may have regarding this application to me by email or phone. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Milton A. Gust
Executive Secretary
Order of AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation
Email: imgust@yahoo.com
Telephone: 248.689.4156

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To fill-out this application, the latest Adobe Reader version **is required**.
See details at www.AHEPAdistrict10.org/Educational Foundation
Other PDF readers will not work properly (i.e. word count fails)

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SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

The AHEPA Educational Foundation offers financial support to qualified students in any academic discipline at an accredited college or university. This scholarship award can only be used for educational use, tuition and/or books.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (MUST MEET ALL): ONLY typed applications will be accepted.

- ☐ Must be a paid member of a District #10 AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena by December 31st **2022** and by March 31st for the year **2023** .
- ☐ U.S. Citizen, National or Legally residing in the U.S.A.
- ☐ Must be a full-time student (12 + credits)
- ☐ A cumulative G.P.A. of 3.00 or better.
- ☐ Provide an official university or college transcript.
- ☐ Provide two letters of recommendation on official letterhead: (1) from your current educational institution; and (2) from the applicant's AHEPA family chapter which must demonstrate active participation and certified membership as stated in the 1st eligibility criterion
- ☐ **NEED-BASED APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AWARD LETTER AND/OR 1040 WITH W-2.**
- ☐ Provide a 500 word essay as required in the application

- The applications will be reviewed by the members of the District #10 Educational Foundation and their decision will be final.
- The awards will be presented at the time designated for the awards banquet planned for **Saturday,May 20th,2023**. Please save the day in your calendar.
- The recipient will be notified immediately after the selection process so that he or she can make arrangements to attend. **(If the recipient is unable to attend the awards presentation, a representative MUST be present in order to receive the award on his or her behalf.)**
- Applicants MUST USE the scholarship application that indicates the current year on the cover. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

DEADLINE: All required materials must be included with your application and be received no later than **APRIL 1st** on the year applying via US Mail and email to Milton A. Gust.

Applicants must send their color wallet size photo in JPG format to: imgust@yahoo.com

DUE DATE: APRIL 1ST, 5:00pm Eastern Time.

ONLY applications received by the due date will be considered.

Anyone interested or wishing to get an application, please contact:

Mr. Milton A. Gust
Executive Secretary
AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation
Telephone: 248.689.4156
imgust@yahoo.com

OR

Download from the website below:

www.AHEPAdistrict10.org/educational-foundation

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For office use only: Application Number: _____ Date Received: _____

APPLICATION DUE DATE : April 1st, 5:00pm Eastern Time

SECTION A BIOGRAPHICAL & GENERAL INFORMATION

Note: Digitally filled-out PDF forms using a computer are preferred.

1. **Full Name** _____ **Email Address:**_____

   Telephone (___) _____-_____ **Cell Phone (___)** _____-_____

2. **Permanent Address** _____
   Number Street

   _____
   City State Zip

3. **Full names of Father** _____ **Mother**_____
   Guardian _____

4. **A. Date of birth (Student)** _____

   B. Place of birth (Student) _____

   C. Years of residence in USA (Student) _____

5. **Is either parent deceased?** ⊙ **Father** ___**Yes** ___**No** ⊙ **Mother** ___**Yes** ___**No**

6. **Applicant's current District #10 AHEPA membership: Chapter No.** _____

   ⊙ **Please mark the appropriate organization:** ___ **Order of AHEPA** ___ **Daughters Of Penelope**
   ⊙ ___ **Sons of Pericles** ___ **Maids of Athena**

   ⊙ **Is your father presently a paid up member of AHEPA?** ___**Yes**___ **No Chapter No.**_____
   ⊙ **Is your mother presently a paid up member of the D.O.P.?**___ **Yes**___ **No Chapter No.**_____
   Note: You get points for each parent that is a paid AHEPA family member.

7. ⊙ **Is your father employed?** ___**Yes** ___**No Present occupation:** _____

   ○ **Is your mother employed?** ___**Yes** ___**No Present occupation:** _____

7A. What Church Parish do you belong?
This is an optional field for informational purposes only _____

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8. **Children/dependents under 18 at home besides yourself:** **No.:**_____

Names and ages_____

9. **Dependent children in family currently attending college besides yourself: No.:**_____
Names, ages and colleges they are attending:

10. **Name and address of the college or university you are currently attending:**

What year will you be entering this fall? _____ **GPA:** _____
What major(s) are you presently following? _____

11. **A. Are you employed?** ___**Yes** ___**No** **B. How long** _____

C. Where _____ **D. Hours per week** _____

12. **How have you supported AHEPA and/or DOP activities, including number of chapter meetings attended, in the past year? (max. 5 activities)**

13. **What Church and/or other Hellenic activities including recognitions, honors, leadership in the past year? (max. 5 awards)**

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14. What school sports or extra-curricular activities have you participated and/or awards received in the past year? (max. 5 activities)

15. What school or special recognitions have you received in the past year? (max. 5 items)

16. What are your Greek language achievements and capabilities?

- **My Greek language capability is** ☐ **None** ☐ **Basic** ☐ **Fluent**

Note: Basic (reads, writes), Fluent (can converse and translate from Greek to English and from English to Greek. Please provide a short letter from your Greek School teacher,, college professor or the priest of the Parish certifying your language fluency)

SECTION B_ ESSAY

IMPORTANT

Founded in 1922 in Atlanta, Georgia, to protect individuals from the evils of bigotry and Discrimination. AHEPA is the largest and oldest grassroots association of American citizens Of Greek heritage and Philhellenes with more than 400 chapters across the United States. Canada, and Europe (learn more at www.AHEPA.org). The mission of AHEPA is to promote the Greek ideals of Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility, and Family and Individual Excellence through Community service and volunteerism. WITH THIS IN MIND:

15. Provide a 500 word typed essay to describe:

Knowing there are a wide range of Orthodox and Hellenic Organizations available in college, what sets the AHEPA and the Daughters of Penelope apart from those organizations? As a member of the Order of AHEPA or D.O.P., what changes or improvements could be made to make the Organization more relevant to you and other young adults?

NOTES:

i. *A* ***maximum of 500 words essay*** *that fits in the designated space below.*
ii. Please use the attached "ESSAY RUBRIC" for how your essay will be evaluated by the committee

Type essay below: *(To paste your essay from another document, please use the formatting as follows:*
Font: *Century Gothic,* ***Size*** *14.5,* ***Color****: Blue* ***Line spacing****: 16pt MS Word 1.15 GoogleDocs)*

Attention: *Essays with more than 500 words will incur a rating penalty.*

Essay total word count: 0

Note: Press F5 key on your keyboard to see how many words you entered so far
As you approach the 500 words, please press F5 more often.

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Essay continued …

Essay total word count: 0

Essay Rubric

Directions: Your essay will be graded based on this rubric. Consequently, use this rubric as a guide when writing your essay and check it again before you submit your essay.

For office use only: Application Number: _____ Date Received: _____

	1 Poor/ Missing	2 Fair/ Lacking	3 Good	4 Above Average	5 Outstanding
Focus and Organization of Main Ideas	No statement of essay thesis or main topics.	Does not give a clear idea of the essay thesis and does not provide a organization of main topics.	Contains either an acceptable essay thesis OR a detailed organization of main topics. Essay thesis or topics are simplistic.	Contains both an acceptable essay thesis AND a detailed organization of topics. Essay thesis and topics are clear.	Has a specific, well-focused essay thesis. Main topics are detailed and organized. Essay thesis and topics fully answer all parts of the question.
Topic Sentences	Topic sentences are not organized and do not support the essay thesis.	Topic sentences are not clear, OR do not clearly support the thesis, OR do not clearly answer the question.	Topic sentences are accurate, support the thesis, but lack detailed analysis (too vague).	Most topic sentences are accurate, clearly answer the question, clearly support the thesis, AND contain detailed analysis.	ALL topic sentences are accurate, specific, clearly answer the question, clearly support the thesis, follow the organizational roadmap, AND contain analysis.
Supporting Evidence	Supporting evidence is not provided.	Little supporting evidence that is accurate, and the link to the thesis statement and topic sentences is not clear. Evidence is merely listed and is not adequately explained or analyzed.	Some supporting evidence is accurate and somewhat supports the thesis statement and topic sentences. Evidence is explained but needs more analysis.	Adequate amount of supporting evidence. Most evidence is accurate, relevant, and supports the thesis statement and topic sentences. There is some relevant explanation and analysis.	Abundant amount of supporting evidence that is accurate, relevant, and clearly supports the thesis statement and topic sentences. Evidence is thoroughly explained and analyzed.
Word Choice and Variety	Only basic words used with a lot slang and clichés. Written as a casual talk instead of an essay.	Limited vocabulary used. Some jargon or clichés used. Writing is monotonous.	Words and phrases are mostly clear, but the writing lacks variety and excitement. Some words are inaccurate and/or inappropriate.	Vivid words and phrases are used. Some words can be repetitive or forced.	Vivid words and phrases are used. Words and phrases seem accurate, natural, and appropriate.
Sentence Structure, Grammar, Spelling	Missing basic noun-verb structure, and has many errors in grammar, mechanics (incorrect punctuation, incomplete/run-on sentences), and spelling. Hard to read.	Sentences are awkward and/or distractingly repetitive. Numerous errors in grammar, mechanics, and/or spelling. Hard to understand.	Many sentences are well-constructed, but are similar in structure and length. Some errors in grammar, mechanics, and/or spelling.	Most sentences are well-constructed and have varied structure and length. Few errors in grammar, mechanics, and/or spelling.	All sentences are well-constructed and have varied structure and length. Very few or no errors in grammar, mechanics, and/or spelling.
Use of AHEPA / DOP	No mention of AHEPA or DOP.	Limited mention of AHEPA or DOP. Cursory, with no correlation to the essay thesis.	Mentions AHEPA and DOP. Does not demonstrate a knowledge of AHEPA and DOP.	Demonstrates understanding of AHEPA and DOP.	Understands and relates AHEPA and DOP principles to essay thesis topic.

SECTION C_ RECOMMENDATIONS

16. Provide the names of the institutions that will give you a recommendation
    A. College/University name: _____
    B. AHEPA family Chapter #: _____

17. RECOMMENDATIONS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT MUST BE INCLUDED IN YOUR APPLICATION PACKAGE.

18. ** APPLICANTS WHO ARE APPLYING FOR THE NEEDS-BASED SCHOLARSHIP MUST ALSO COMPLETE AND INCLUDE THE FINANCIAL DATA FORM LOCATED IN SECTION D WITH THEIR PACKAGE. **

19. I verify that I personally completed the enclosed essay and all required information is included in this application and affirm that the information listed in this application is true and accurate.

_____
Signature of Applicant (Digital or print,sign & mail)

20. I (we) affirm that the information listed in this application for our dependent son or daughter is true and accurate,

_____
Signature of Father (Digital or print,sign & mail)

_____
Signature of Mother (Digital or print,sign & mail)

ENTIRE APPLICATION PACKAGE MUST BE

Mailed to: Mr. Milton A. Gust, Executive Secretary
Order of AHEPA District #10
Educational Foundation
1628 Crimson Drive
Troy, Michigan 48083
Telephone: 248-689-4156

Must be received by April 1st 5:00pm Eastern Time

AND

Emailed To: imgust@yahoo.com
Include your filled out application and a color wallet size picture in JPG format
Must be received by April 1st, 5:00pm Eastern Time

NOTE:
It is the responsibility of the applicant to make sure that all parts of the application package are complete and that it arrives at the address above by the deadline of APRIL 1st, 5:00pm Eastern Time.

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NEED-BASED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHOLARSHIP

SECTION D Financial Data

Optional – only for those seeking Needs-Based scholarship

DEPENDENT APPLICANTS (AGE 24 AND UNDER):

1. Name of Father: _____ Mother: _____
2. Is either parent deceased? Father ___Yes ___No Mother ___Yes ___No
3. Number of minor(less than 18 years old)/dependent children, excluding yourself, in household _____

   Ages: _____
4. Number of dependent children, beside you, currently attending college _____, and what college or university do they attend?

5. Parents' Income: Under $29,999 ( ) $30,000 - $49,999 ( ) $50,000 - $69,999 ( ) $70,000 or More ( )

DEPENDENT APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE PARENTS' 1040 WITH W-2 or Student Aid Report (SAR) or Pell grant information (THIS INFORMATION WILL REMAIN STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL)

ALL APPLICANTS:

6. Student employment
   - A. Are you currently employed? ___Yes ___No
   - B. Duration of employment: _____
     since you started college - in years
   - C. Place of employment: _____
   - D. Hours per week: _____
   - E. Will you be employed Fall of 2023 or Winter 2024? ___Yes ___No

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7. **Please list the amount of each scholarship or monetary award(s) that you wil receive or expect to receive going forward, including loans, G.I. benefits, government programs and work study, and attach your Financial Award Letter from the university/college. IN ADDITION PLEASE LIST ANY ADDITIONAL REASONS/CIRCUMSTANCES THAT YOU FEEL SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE, IN YOUR REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. (USE ATTACHED SHEET IF NEEDED)**

Applicants, non-dependent, without a Financial Award Letter must provide a 1040 and W-2 on their own behalf for consideration.

8. **I verify that all required information is included in this application and affirm that the information listed in this application is true and accurate.**

_____

Signature of Applicant (Digital or print,sign & mail)

9. **If dependent applicant:**
   I (we) affirm that the information in this application is true and that our son or daughter is in <u>NEED</u> of financial assistance in order to attend college or university.

_____

Signature of Father (Digital or print,sign & mail)

_____

Signature of Mother (Digital or print,sign & mail)

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SECTION E **COLLEGE APPLICATION CHECKLIST** (check each box to track your progress)

1. **PREPARE THE APPLICATION** (**4-6 hours effort**, plan on 3-5 weeks to complete this step)
   - ☐ Are you eligible for this scholarship? (see page 3 for eligibility criteria)
   - ☐ Biographical & General data completed? (Section A)
   - ☐ Essay completed? (Section B)
   - ☐ Recommendations are included (two of them)? (Section C) – *Request in January*
     - ☐ From University
     - ☐ From AHEPA family chapter
   - ☐ Official College transcript is included? (Section C) – *Request in January*
   - ☐ Is the application signed? (2-3 signatures – page 10)
     - ☐ Print the completed college scholarship application (pages 1-13)
     - ☐ Sign the application (2-3 signatures required)
     - ➢ NEEDS-BASED SCHOLARSHIP *(optional) – (Section D)* - check here if not applicable ☐
     - ☐ Did you complete the need-based financial assistance scholarship? (Section D)
     - ☐ Did you sign the needs-based section? (on page 12)
     - ☐ Institutional Financial Award letter and//or 1040 with W-2

2. **SEND THE COMPLETED APPLICATION** (**30-60 minutes effort**)
   - ☐ Put together your application package/envelope:
     - ☐ Include **printed** and **signed** application (pages 1-13)
     - ☐ Include University recommendation (sealed envelope)
     - ☐ Include AHEPA chapter recommendation (sealed envelope)
     - ☐ Include Official college transcript (sealed envelope)
     - ☐ *For Needs-Based Scholarships Only:* Include Financial Award letter AND 1040 with W-2
   - ☐ **Mail the application to**: **Mr. Milton A. Gust**

     Executive Secretary
     AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation
     1628 Crimson Drive,
     Troy, Michigan 48083

     Notes: - Allow 3-5 days for mail to be delivered.
     - The **complete application** package MUST be received **by April 1st, 5:00pm**
   - ☐ **AND Email** to Mr. Milton Gust at imgust@yahoo.com the two attachments below:
     - ☐ **the filled out PDF application** (13 pages)–**do not scan**, send the filled-out PDF application.
     - ☐ **a color wallet size (2.5x3.5 inches) photo** of the applicant in jpg format (96 dpi)

3. **CONFIRM APPLICATION RECEIPT** (**5-10 minutes effort**)
   - ☐ Did you confirm that the application was received by Mr. Milton Gust?
     - **email Mr. Milton Gust at** imgust@yahoo.com to confirm that he received your application package. *(IF you do not receive an email response within 2 days, follow next step)*
     - Please **call Mr. Milton Gust 248.689.4156**

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