



AHEPA Chapter 528
Fr. Theophilos Theophilos
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
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1. Scholarship Program

AHEPA Chapter 528 scholarship program, which was established to promote, encourage, and advance education at the college, and university level. The number of awards presented is dependent upon the scholarship funds available for each year. Because of the competition, it is imperative that the application is accurate, legible, complete and submitted on time. Applications which do not meet these requirements will be denied further consideration for approval. **The decisions of the Foundation Board and the Independent Evaluators are final. There are no exceptions, corrections, extensions or appeals.**

At minimum, one scholarship award of \$1000 and one scholarship award of \$750 will be awarded, annually. The quantity of awards are based on the Funds available and eligible applications received.

2. Eligibility

To apply and be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must be able to certify both 2 a) and either 2 b), c) or d). AHEPA Chapter 528 is committed to rewarding academic excellence and assisting worthy students of Greek descent and/or Orthodox faith. Applicants should maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA.

- a. The applicant is an *active member or son/daughter of an *active member, in good standing, of AHEPA Chapter 528 and/or St. George Orthodox Church of the Desert steward, **for a minimum of (1) year prior to applying.**
- b. A high school graduate or a high school senior Accepted to attend, full-time, an accredited college or university during the current calendar year; or
- c. A college student currently attending an accredited college or university and will continue to attend, **full-time**, during the current calendar year; or
- d. A college or university senior/graduate planning to attend, full-time, a graduate or professional degree program during the calendar year. (Must provide Acceptance letter)

3. Filing

This scholarship form is for Student (**Name**) _____

Application requirements and check list:

- a) **Completed Application** _____
- b) **Personal Goals Essay of 500 words, no more than 1000 words** _____
- c) **Official Academic Transcript enclosed.** _____
 - o **Undergraduate I: High school seniors and college freshmen** must submit official high school transcript including S.A.T. and/or A.C.T. scores.
- d) **Undergraduate II: College undergraduates (sophomores or juniors)** must submit current Official college transcript.
- e) **Two signed sealed letters of recommendation** _____
- f) (Applicants must include only two **letters of recommendation**, i.e. the applicant's teachers/professors, counselors, advisors, pastor, etc. None of the reference letters should be from relatives of the applicant.)
- g) **Verification.** _____
Signed endorsement by Chapter 528 verifying membership standing/or written verification from Parish President, attesting to current Stewardship status to St George, in Good Standing for a (minimum) period of one year prior, to application date.
- h) **Photo:** One wallet size, non-returnable photo (optional) _____

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The applicant is responsible for the submission and completion of all sections of this application. Mailing the application package by any delivery service that can ascertain proof of delivery **certified mail/return receipt requested or FedEx** postmarked no later than **May 1st of year applied** to the following address:

AHEPA Chapter 528 Scholarship Committee
 42-215 Washington St A-154
 Palm Desert, CA 92211-8031

All information will be kept confidential, and no items will be returned. Illegible applications will be denied. Applications postmarked after May 1st, of application year cannot be considered.

4. Personal data

Family Name: _____ First _____ Middle _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code +4 _____ - _____

Correspondence address, if different from above and use until this date: / /

Family Name: _____ First _____ Middle _____

Correspondence Address: _____

Number and Street

City or Town _____ State _____ Zip Code +4 _____

Contact Cell/ home telephone () -
 Area Code / Number

Email address: _____

Date of Birth: / / Place of Birth: _____
 City State Country

Citizenship (check as appropriate): U.S. citizen: _____
 U.S. permanent resident visa: ____ Citizen of _____
 Other specify country: _____ Visa type _____

Hellenic heritage:

Father Greek? (Y/N) ____ Mother Greek? (Y/N) _Maiden Name: _____

Family Heritage location in Greece _____

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AHEPA Affiliation:

Are you or anyone in your family an *active member of AHEPA Family? Yes _____ No _____.

Identify the AHEPA affiliation (Circle all that apply): Father _____ Mother _____ yourself _____ Guardian _____

If yes, check whichever applies: AHEPA ___ DOP ___ MOA ___ SOP ___

Chapter affiliation # _____ City _____ State _____ Membership # _____

Additional Chapter affiliations # _____ City _____ State _____ Membership # _____

Current Paid Steward of St. George Greek Orthodox Church of the Desert in good Standing? Y _____ N _____

5. Educational Data

Name of academic institution you are attending, have applied to or been accepted by:

College/University Name	State	Applied	Accepted/Attending
Attending or 1 st Choice _____	_____	_____	_____
Applied 2 nd Choice _____	_____	_____	_____

Area(s) of academic concentration / major: _____

Career or professional goals: _____

If not currently attending college, please check here: _____ State GAP dates _____

Please, describe your activities/reason for Gap since last enrolled that are not covered on an academic transcript:

6. Academic Honors

Please, list all the recent academic honors which you have received (including other scholarships):

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7. Extracurricular, school activities and volunteer community activities (including summer)

Please list your principal extracurricular, community, and volunteer social activities i.e. clubs, societies, sports, etc.

	Grade level or Post-Secondary					Approximate time spent hours per week	Position held weeks per year
	9	10	11	12	PS		
Activity							
Honor's won							
Letter's earned							

8. Greek Orthodox Church youth/young adult Activities:

Please list any job (including summer employment) you have held during the past three years.

Specific nature of activity	Church/Camp/Program	Dates
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

OCF (Orthodox Christian Fellowship) Membership

Are you a member of Orthodox Christian Fellowship on your campus? Y_____ N_____ N/A_____

9. ATTACH or Print WALLET sized PHOTO here: (For use in Announcements)

Please, double check application for missing or incomplete information.

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MEMBERSHIP ENDORSEMENT FORM

We, the undersigned officers of AHEPA Chapter 528, District #20, of Palm Desert, California hereby certify that the scholarship application for the below mentioned student:

(Applicant Name) _____

Has received the official endorsement of our chapter to apply for the Scholarship program.

Applicant Check one:

- The applicant (student) is in good standing of Chapter 528, and has been an active member for a minimum of (1) one year, prior to applying for this scholarship.
- The Parent of the applicant is an active member in good standing of Chapter 528 for at least (2) two years prior to their son/daughter applying for this scholarship.

Parent's name: _____ Member since _____

Chapter Name & Number

National ID# Number

Order of AHEPA _____

Eligibility Verified and endorsed by the Chapter 528 Officers' signatures, below:

Signature of Chapter 528 President

Signature of Chapter 528 Secretary

(Both signatures are required)

Printed Name

Printed Name

Phone Number

Phone Number

Date signed: _____

Exception: Grandparents of applicants must be legal guardians of student and all must reside in the local Chapter 528 area to be eligible to apply.



STEWARDSHIP VERIFICATION FORM

Confidential Stewardship Endorsement for AHEPA #528, Fr. Theophilos Theophilos Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship Applicant's Name: _____

Parent(s) Names: _____

Saint George GOA Palm Desert Parish Member(s) since _____ (DATE) Full Time? Yes / No

Please, check one:

- The applicant is an Orthodox member of the St George parish in good standing and has been an active member for a minimum of (1) year, prior to applying for this scholarship.
- The Parent, of the applicant is an active Orthodox member in good standing of the St George parish for at least (1) one year prior to their son/daughter applying for this scholarship.
- The applicant/applicant's parents are "New" members of the parish, in good standing, for a period of less than (1) one year.
- The applicant/applicants parents currently are not active members, in good standing of the Saint George parish.

We, the undersigned Stewardship officers of the Saint George Greek Orthodox Church, Palm Desert, California hereby certify that the stewardship status for the above mentioned student/applicant has been verified.

Signature of Stewardship Chairperson

(Both signatures are requested)

Signature of Parish Council President

Printed Name

Printed Name

Date signed: _____

NOTE:

- 1) It is the Scholarship Applicant's responsibility to complete the top portion of this form, and return with the scholarship application package, by the appointed deadline.
- 2) Any qualified student at St George, may apply for the scholarship program. (Grades eligible: graduating High School Senior through Graduate school)
- 3) A point system is utilized that gives the most weight to active members of good standing, in regard to stewardship at the St. George GOA parish, Palm Desert.
- 4) Non church members who are active, registered and paid members of Chapter 528 AHEPA, may apply.
- 5) Grandparents must be legal guardians for applicants and all must reside in Parish jurisdiction to apply.