



Delta District 16 - Chapter # 312

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AMERICAN HELLENIC EDUCATIONAL PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

AHEPA CHAPTER 312 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM

AHEPA Chapter 312 of Delta District 16 establishes an annual academic scholarship program for qualified applicants. The availability of this program shall be made known to all members of AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Maids of Athena, and Sons of Pericles of the Chapter.

NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARD AMOUNTS

The Chapter program may award up to four (4) scholarships annually of between \$250-\$1,000 each to qualified applicants with the total amount awarded by the Chapter to all applicants not to exceed \$1,000 per year.

The chapter scholarship shall be payable to the recipients upon successful award.

A successful applicant shall be entitled to no more than a single scholarship award during their undergraduate education and no more than a single scholarship award during their graduate education.

QUALIFICATIONS

1. Applicant must be under the age of twenty five (25) at the time of the award of the scholarship.
2. Applicant must be from District 16, Chapter 312 and shall fulfill one or more of these criteria:
 - a. be a member in good standing of AHEPA or the Daughters of Penelope;
 - b. be a member in good standing of the Sons or Maids;
 - c. be a first-line descendant or a legally adopted son or daughter of a member in good standing of the AHEPA or the Daughters of Penelope.
3. Applicant must be a college or university undergraduate student with a minimum of two full semesters, or three full quarters, completed, or a full-time graduate student. The minimum number of hours per completed semester shall be twelve (12), or eight (8) hours per quarter for an undergraduate student, or hours necessary to complete a graduate degree if a graduate student.
4. The scholarships will be based on financial need, character and all-round ability. For scholarships based on financial need, the applicant must have a grade point average of C+ or better. For scholarships based on scholarship alone, the applicant must have a grade point average of B or better. Grade point averages will be determined by the Chapter Scholarship Board and shall be based on the grades of the immediate past two semesters or immediate past three quarters from the college or university the applicant is attending.

REQUIREMENTS FOR FILING APPLICATION

Applicants shall submit to the Chapter the following items on or before the due date of June 15:

1. A completed application that is to be signed by the Chapter President. (An electronic endorsement of the application by the President shall also be accepted.)
2. A n original essay by the applicant of no fewer than 500 words on the topic "What does Hellenism mean to you and how do you practice it within your community."
3. Official transcripts of grades for the immediate past two semesters, or immediate past three quarters.

DEADLINES

The deadline for submitting an application shall be June 15 for scholarships to be awarded for the following Fall semester.

The final decision by the Chapter shall be communicated within 60 days, or, by August 15.

AWARD PROCESS

The Chapter Board will collect all submitted applications and accompanying documents by the due date of June 15.

At the next available Board meeting (or, offline, if necessary), the Board will review all submitted applications, verify eligibility for each candidate, and then evaluate the submission of each qualified applicant.

The Board will then select up to four (4) candidates to whom to award a scholarship and the amount between \$250-\$1,000 awarded to each one (with the total amount awarded not to exceed \$1,000).

The Board submits its decision to the membership at large and asks for approval of each individual award by electronic vote within 7 days.

A scholarship award shall be considered as having been officially approved if there is not an absolute majority of the non-Board chapter members in good standing who explicitly oppose the award. (A non-vote by a member in good standing shall be considered as an affirmative vote to award the scholarship.)