



4th Annual Italian American Heritage Festival Studente Promettente Scholarship Program



The Studente Promettente scholarship program provides financial support, for educational purposes to Italian American Club of Greenville (IACG) members, spouses of a member, children, grandchildren, stepchildren, step grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or wards of a member (designated as legal guardian). **The IACG member applying for or sponsoring an applicant for a scholarship must meet the [Eligibility Requirements](#) listed below.**

The program provides financial support to graduating current high school, college, or technical/trade school students planning to continue their education at an accredited two-or-four-year college or university or a certified technical, occupational, or business program.

Two one-thousand-dollar (\$1,000) scholarships will be offered for the 2025-2026 academic year. All applicants may reapply in future years, and may not win in consecutive award years for a maximum of two awards.

Eligibility Requirements

1. The sponsor must have been a member in good standing of the Italian American Club of Greenville (IACG) as of **March 1, 2025**.
2. The applicant must be a member, spouse of a member, children, grandchildren, stepchildren, step grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or wards of a member, designated as legal guardian.
3. The applicant must be a current high school, college, or technical/trade school student, with a grade point average of 2.5 on a grading scale of 4.0 (or equivalent).
4. The applicant must have been accepted for enrollment at an accredited two-year college (Junior or Community College), a four-year college or university, or a certified technical, trades or business program, in the United States, for the 2025-2026 academic year.
5. All awards are contingent on the verified accuracy of the information provided by the applicant and sponsor.

Application Requirements and Evaluation Procedure

1. **Completed packets**, with all required information, must be in the hands of the Program's Application Designated Recipient **no later than May 3, 2025**, to be considered.
2. Applications are available from the IACG website (IACGUS.org) or from the Scholarship Chairperson at IAHF.Scholarships@gmail.com. Applicants may submit the scholarship application electronically or manually to the Designated Recipient.
3. The application evaluation scoring procedures consist of two ratings obtained by consideration of
 - 3.1. The applicant's academic achievement (Transcripts) for a minimum of the last three (3) semesters
 - 3.2. The quality of a 300–500-word essay provided by the applicant.
4. All applicants will be notified in writing by May 31, 2025 of the Program's decisions. All award payments will be sent directly to the educational institution and may be applied only to tuition, fees, and on-campus room and board, for the 2025-2026 academic year.

2025 IACG Scholarship Program Application Packet

This packet contains the forms needed for application to the Italian American Club of Greenville (IACG) The following requirements and instructions are to be complied with:

1. Be sure to complete all items that pertain to the applicant and sponsor on the application. The sponsor must be a member in good standing of the Italian American Club of Greenville. See [Eligibility Requirements](#) for membership standing.
2. The applicant is responsible for arranging to have transcripts, for a minimum of three semesters, mailed directly to the APPLICATION DESIGNATE RECIPIENT, from the school(s) attended, as indicated in this application.
3. The application and all supporting information must be received by the Application Designated Recipient no later than **May 3, 2025**. Early submission is strongly encouraged. The application, transcripts (directly from school) and the essay are to be mailed to
Italian American Heritage Festival
P.O. Box 55
Attn: Scholarship Committee
Simpsonville, SC 29681
IAHF.Scholarships@gmail.com

The Program will not know the names of sponsors and applicants until all applications are evaluated and the recipients selected. Evaluations and applicant selections will be made by the IAHF selection committee.

Awards will be paid to the educational institution by September 1, 2025, upon the IAHF Treasurer's receipt of an itemized bill from the applicant's institution.

Scholarship Application Procedure

1. The applicant must complete the approved application packet.
2. The application packet must be received by the Application Designated Recipient no later than May 3, 2025.
3. High school or college/university transcripts, covering the most recent past three semesters must be forwarded directly to the APPLICATION DESIGNATE RECIPIENT from the respective school(s). Transcripts provided personally by the applicant will not be accepted and a minimum of three semesters of the latest high school or college transcripts must be submitted.
4. The applicant must write an essay, between 300 and 500 words, addressing this year's topic:
 - 4.1. **What does it mean to you to be an Italian American? What Italian traditions does your family observe and where did these traditions originate?**
5. The Essay Evaluators will judge each essay on
 - 5.1. The basis of the author's ability to logically develop his or her rationale for the response, with appropriate examples and support.
 - 5.2. The logical organization of his or her examples and information.
 - 5.3. The quality and accuracy of the writing style, including word usage, syntax, spelling grammar and as appropriate, citations, and
 - 5.4. The overall readability and audience engagement.
 - 5.5. The 500-word limit will be strictly enforced.
6. The application, transcripts (directly from the school) and essay must be forwarded to the Application Designated Recipient by **May 3, 2025**, at the Italian American Heritage Festival
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7. The Application Designated Recipient will delete all names and references on the corresponding documents that are copied from the original, which identify the applicant, the sponsor or the applicant's family, before it is forwarded for evaluation.

Financial Award

1. The Italian American Heritage Festival Scholarship Program will award two (2) \$1,000 scholarships for the 2025-2026 academic year.
2. All awards payments will be forwarded directly to the institution the applicant will be attending no later than September 1, 2025, and can be applied only to tuition, fees and on-campus room and board.
3. Financial awards are for one year only. All applicants may reapply in future years, but an applicant may not win in consecutive years for a maximum of two awards.
4. The award recipients will be notified by mail and are expected to attend the IACG May Meeting to be introduced to the membership and to acknowledge receipt of the scholarship. Those not selected for an award will also receive notice by mail.

Studente Promettente Scholarship Application 2025

I would like to apply for an educational scholarship from the Italian American Heritage Festival for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Date: _____ Application Code (for internal use only) _____

Name of Applicant: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ School Id #: _____

Applicant Email address: _____

Applicant Telephone: Home # _____ Cell # _____

Sponsoring IACG Member: _____

Sponsoring Member's Email Address: _____

Sponsoring Member's Address: _____

Sponsoring Member's Telephone: Home # _____ Cell # _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Applicant Signature: _____

Sponsoring Member Signature: _____

Name/address of the College/University, Trade School, or Program you have been accepted for enrollment or plan to attend during the 2025-2026 academic year:

Name/address High School/College, University, Trade School, or Program which you are currently attending, if applicable

What is your motivation for pursuing higher education?

**** Note:** All materials submitted with this application will become the property of the IAHF Scholarship Program.

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