

# Philoptochos Scholarship 2023 High School and Undergraduate Application

### The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of St. Spyridon of Palos

Heights will offer scholarships three (3) \$2,000 scholarships to undergraduate college students. One (1) will be given to a High School graduate and two (2) to students who are currently enrolled in undergraduate studies. Applicants must be members of the St. Spyridon parish. These scholarships are being made available through a special donation to St. Spyridon Philoptochos by the Manasses Family, in memory of Peter Manasses.

This is a competitive scholarship based on need and merit with the award winner to be selected upon recommendation by the Scholarship Committee. Applicants must be accepted into an accredited college, university or vocational program OR currently attending an accredited college, university or vocational program. Application and ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION MUST BE EMAILED by June 30, 2023 to englishteacher30@yahoo.com

### Requirements:

- High School Seniors and undergraduate students are eligible to apply.
- Applicant must be a son/daughter of a steward of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church.
- An official **transcript** with the school's official seal.
- **Two letters of recommendation**: the first from a teacher, advisor, counselor, dean, or coach. The letters must be on the school's letterhead; the second- applicant's choice.
- List activities in your school. Include sports, club memberships, volunteer work, band, drama, student council, National Honor Society.
- List activities relating to your parish of St. Spyridon. Include Altar Service, Choir, Greek School, GOYA, Athletics,
   Volunteering at Festival, Sunday School, Oratorical Festival, etc. Include the number of months or years associated and duties.
- List any other extracurricular or community activities/services. Include any work experience.
- List of offices held, awards, special honors, special achievements both in school, at church, or in your community.
- **Personal Statement (300 words or less):** The Philoptochos Society serves our St. Spyridon parish in many ways. We are always ready to assist our parish with our time, talents and hard work. But our good works go much further. The name "Philoptochos" means friends to the poor. We come to the aid of the needy, the poor and elderly, not only within our parish, but also to our local community, nationally and even to Orthodox Christians throughout the world. As a student now and then later in your future, how do you see yourself serving to help those less fortunate?

The St. Spyridon Philoptochos reserves the right to award more than one scholarship in the same academic year, based on required qualifications, grades, and service projects of the applicant.

Student Information	
Student's Name:	
Parents' Name:	
Home Mailing Address:	
Name of High School:	
Home Phone:Email:	
Date of Birth: Major Field of Study:	
Name of College/University:	
Address of School:	
Certification	
I understand that this <b>application is complete</b> . I have included a transcript with an orand in a sealed envelope sent directly from the school.	fficial school seal stamped
Signature of Applicant: Date:	
All applications must be postmarked or emailed no later than <b>June 30, 2023.</b> Incompostmarked after this date will not be processed. All information received from applicantial. <b>Scholarship winners will be notified by Jul y 31, 2023.</b>	
<b>Mail</b> completed application & materials to: ST. SPYRIDON PHILOPTOCHOS SCHOLARS RIDGELAND AVENUE, PALOS HEIGHTS, IL 60463 or <b>email</b> to <u>englishteacher30@yaho</u>	•
Your Checklist:	
Official Grade Transcripts	
2 Letters of Recommendation	
Letter of Acceptance to College/University	
Completed Essay	
List of School, Church, and Community Service Activities	
List of Honors, Awards, and Offices held	



## **Evaluation Rubric: High School**

	Exceptional (9-10 points)	Proficient (7-8 points)	Adequate (5-6 points)
Scholastic Activities	Candidate is actively involved in a wide range of academic activities at school and demonstrates exceptional leadership in at least one activity.	Candidate is somewhat involved in academic community at school and may demonstrate some leadership	Candidate is not involved or minimally involved in their academic community at school.
Parish Activities	Candidate demonstrates exceptional involvement in several parish-related activities (more than 5) and has assumed leadership role(s)	Candidate demonstrates some involvement in parish-related activities (fewer than 5).	Candidate demonstrates minimal involvement in parish-related activities.
Community Activities/ Service	Candidate has been actively involved in numerous extracurricular or community activities that benefit others and has a leadership role in one or more activities.	Candidate has participated in some extra-curricular and community activities.	Minimal extra-curricular activities mentioned in application.
Scholastic Achievement	The candidate demonstrates exceptional academic skills. Weighted GPA is 3.8 or higher	The candidate demonstrates adequate academic skills. Weighted GPA is 3.0-3.5	The candidate demonstrates some academic skills. Weighted GPA is lower than a 3.5
Personal Statement	The personal statement is well-written and clearly reflects the core values of the Philoptochos. The candidate persuasively demonstrates insights on current and future philanthropic efforts on a local, national, or global level.	The personal statement is adequately written and may reflect the core values of the Philoptochos. The candidate may demonstrate insights on current and future philanthropic efforts on a local, national, or global level.	The personal statement is minimal and does not demonstrate insights on current and future philanthropic efforts on a local, national, or global level.

#### Recommendations

The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate a high familiarity with the quality of the student's work, excellent, highly detailed examples of student promise from personal experience, and several positive comments showing comprehensive praise for the student.

The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate clear familiarity with the quality of the student's work, several detailed examples of student promise from personal experience, and a few positive comments showing extensive praise for the student.

The recommendations provided by the candidate demonstrate Ssme familiarity with the quality of the student's work, a few examples of student promise from personal experience, and minimal positive comments