



**GRAND LODGE OF MASSACHUSETTS
ORDER SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA**

Charitable and Educational Trust

**APPLICATION FOR
2017 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

(Prior years' applications not acceptable)



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1. Name: _____ Telephone () _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)
2. Mailing Address: _____
(STREET AND NUMBER)
City, State, Zip: _____ Date of Birth: _____
3. Email Address: _____
4. Are you a current Member or Junior Member of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts? Y _____ N _____
(The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts also includes Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont)
If yes, Lodge # _____
5. Are any of your parents or grandparents current members of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts?
(Note: Carefully read item # 4 under Scholarship Rules)
If no, please skip to Question # 6 Y _____ N _____
- Mother's Name: _____ Lodge # _____
- Father's Name: _____ Lodge # _____
- Grandparent's Name: _____ Lodge # _____
- Grandparent's Name: _____ Lodge # _____
6. High School Currently Attending: _____
(SCHOOL) (CITY) (STATE)
7. Name of College you plan to attend: _____ Annual Tuition: _____
(You do not need to be officially accepted – just list your preferred choice)
8. Field of Interest: _____
(MAJOR) (MINOR)
(Please include the concentration for all Majors if possible - i.e.: Education – Early Childhood, Art Education, etc.)
- Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

IMPORTANT

ALL SEVEN (7) ITEMS LISTED UNDER SECTION 'C' OF THE 'SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST' MUST BE MAILED IN ONE ENVELOPE AND POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2017 TO:

Charitable and Educational Trust, OSIA
ATTN: Scholarship Chairman
93 Concord Avenue
Belmont, Massachusetts 02478

(SEE SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND CHECKLIST ON FOLLOWING PAGES)

SCHOLARSHIP RULES

1. A minimum of twenty scholarships at a maximum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each shall be awarded annually by the Charitable and Educational Trust of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Order Sons of Italy in America. Additional scholarships of varying amounts provided by special donors are awarded under the same guidelines.
2. The Scholarship Commission shall recommend to the State Council at least twenty principals and six alternates. One principal award shall be made to a properly qualified art student and one to a properly qualified music student, both of whom intend to pursue their education in a recognized and accredited school of art or music. One principal award shall be granted to a properly qualified student planning to pursue his or her education in a recognized and accredited vocational or technical school. A minimum of four scholarship awards shall be granted to properly qualified students, who are residents of a state within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, regardless of affiliation with the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.
3. Any money donated by filial lodges, other organizations, or individuals, to the Charitable and Educational Trust of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, for the purpose of scholarships, shall be awarded to properly qualified applicants through the recommendation of the Scholarship Commission to the State Council.
4. Except for those scholarships to be awarded to properly qualified students regardless of affiliation with the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, applicants must be:
 - (a) Current members in good standing of the Junior Division or of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for at least two years at the time of application or
 - (b) Children or Grandchildren of current members in good standing of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts for at least two years at the time of application.
5. If all twenty scholarships are not awarded because of an insufficient number of properly qualified candidates, the value of the un-awarded scholarships shall remain in the Charitable and Educational Trust of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Order Sons of Italy in America.
6. Each scholarship award shall be made payable in full directly to the recipient at the beginning of the first semester of the first year upon receipt of confirmation of enrollment as a full-time student on College/University letterhead and a copy of the first semester tuition bill.
7. Scholarship awards are limited to members of the Senior Class of any secondary school and shall be awarded on the following basis:
 - (a) Scholastic Ability
 - (b) Character
 - (c) Activities
8. Scholarship consideration shall be given only to applicants planning to attend four-year, degree granting colleges (including vocational and/or technical) approved by the Scholarship Commission and accredited by the State Board of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or corresponding agencies of other states.
9. Should the applicant decide to enter a college other than the one for which the scholarship has been granted, he must submit its name to the Scholarship Commission for approval no later than September 1, 2017.
10. Applications must be postmarked no later than FEBRUARY 1, 2017, and mailed to:

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11. If the scholarship awards cannot be used within the immediate scholastic year due to unforeseen circumstances, the Scholarship Commission may make other recommendations. No award shall be made if, in the judgment of the Scholarship Commission, no applicant is properly qualified.

(SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST ON NEXT PAGE)

SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

- A. Be sure you have read the rules carefully. Answer each question on the application to the best of your ability. If you have any questions, please call us at 617-489-5234.
- B. All applications become the property of the Charitable and Educational Trust of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Order Sons of Italy in America, and cannot be returned.
- C. A complete application must contain the following seven (7) items:
1. The 'Application for Scholarship Award' form filled out completely and signed by the applicant.
 2. A signed letter of recommendation from your high school principal, guidance counselor, or high school teacher. **This letter must be on school letterhead.**
 3. A signed typewritten letter by the applicant stating reasons for applying for a scholarship and listing particular interests and activities, the size and circumstances of the applicant's family, how college education will be financed, and any other pertinent information.
 4. An official transcript of grades received through December 2016.
 5. Official SAT and/or ACT scores, printed directly from the College Board website or on the applicant's official high school transcript. **(NO SELF-REPORTED SCORES WILL BE ACCEPTED.)**
 6. Recent high-resolution photo, of applicant only, such as a school or other professional photo. Please do not submit photos printed on non-photo paper. (Print name of applicant on back of photo.)
 7. A **\$10 non-refundable processing fee** is required with each application.
 - **ONLY MONEY ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED, NO EXCEPTIONS.** Make money orders payable to 'Charitable and Educational Trust'.
 - Any application received without the processing fee, or received with personal checks, cash, or certified checks will be disqualified. Processing fees for incomplete or late applications will not be refunded.
- D. Your application will be disqualified if all seven (7) items listed above are not received in **one envelope, postmarked no later than FEBRUARY 1, 2017. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**
- E. Recipients only will be notified by mail in March.

Please note: The scholarship must be used in the academic year for which it has been awarded, or it will be forfeited.

Materials should be mailed to:
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Please mail only the "Application for Scholarship Award" portion of this packet.
