



2026 AHEPA DISTRICT 4 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INTRODUCTION AND INSTRUCTIONS

TO THE APPLICANTS:

Thank you for your interest in the AHEPA Power District 4 Scholarship Program. This application has been revised and drafted in order to make the application process more efficient and convenient. Therefore, you should read the application carefully before starting to fill in the requested information. You should also pay close attention to the supporting documentation which the application process requires.

Be sure to sign the Applicant's Certification before submitting your application. Strict compliance with all parts of the application process will be enforced and failure to comply will result in your application being rejected.

I. APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS:

- a. Qualifications: An applicant must meet one of the following conditions (From District 4 Bylaws, Section 6):
 1. The applicant may be a member in good standing of an AHEPA Family Chapter in Power District 4; or
 2. The applicant may be sponsored by an AHEPA Family Chapter in good standing in Power District 4; or
 3. The applicant may have a LIVING parent, stepparent or grandparent that is a member in good standing of the sponsoring chapter, Power District 4 or National.
- b. An Applicant must for the HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION scholarship must be a high school senior who will be entering an accredited institution of higher learning in 2026.
- c. An applicant for the POST-HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION scholarship must be a student at an institution of higher learning who is a first, second, or third year undergraduate college student AT THE TIME HE/SHE SUBMITS HIS/HER APPLICATION and who will continue to be an undergraduate college student for the remainder of 2026.
- c.. Scholarships shall be awarded for one academic year. A recipient may reapply.
- d. Scholarships shall be awarded on basis of academic merit, honors achieved, participation in extracurricular activities and inter-scholastic sports, as well as church and community services.
- e. An applicant must produce evidence of scholarly achievement by obtaining a minimum grade point average of 3.00 to receive scholarship consideration.

II. SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION

- a. Every applicant must complete and submit an official AHEPA District 4 Scholarship Application: either the application for high school students or the applications for post-high school students.
- b. Every Application must be endorsed by a donor of a Scholarship, or by the President and Secretary of a sponsoring District #4 AHEPA chapter. THE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE SIGNED BY AN ENDORSER OR SPONSOR BEFORE THE APPLICANT COMPLETES THE REQUIRED INFORMATION. PRE-ENDORSED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- c. Every applicant must arrange for every high school or college which the applicant has attended to submit an **official transcript** of the applicant's educational record, courses and classes taken, grades received, and his/her cumulative grade point average. In other words:
 1. If you are applying for the high school division scholarship, the committee must receive official transcripts from every high school you have ever attended.
 2. If you are applying for the post-high school scholarship, the committee must receive official transcripts from every college/graduate/professional school you have ever attended. POST-HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANTS DO NOT NEED TO PROVIDE HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS.
 3. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the school to the scholarship chairman. Unofficial transcripts or transcripts received from the applicant will not be considered. Do not send transcripts with your application; they will not be accepted and your application will be rejected.
- e. Every Applicant shall compose and submit, along with his/her completed

application form, a personal essay of between 300 and 350 words in length on the following topic:

What Gospel passage best exemplifies the AHEPA mission statement as stated in the AHEPA Constitution?

This essay must be typed, it must fit on a single page, and it must contain a word count certification. The applicant's name must appear on the upper left-hand corner of the page. The essay is an integral part of the application process. Non-compliant essays will invalidate the application.

THE ESSAY MUST BE THE INDIVIDUAL AND UNASSISTED WORK OF THE APPLICANT. THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO USE PLAGIARISM AND AI DETECTION SOFTWARE TO CHECK ALL APPLICATIONS. EVIDENCE OF PLAGIARISM OR AI WILL RESULT IN THE APPLICATION BEING REJECTED.

III. TIMELINESS

- a. All applications (with the essay included) and school transcripts **MUST** be received by the scholarship chairman no later than April 21, 2026. **THIS DEADLINE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.** Therefore, it is suggested that you send your application well in advance of the due date. Late or incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration. Compliance with the deadline is the responsibility of the applicant. **NOTE:** You must request all necessary school transcripts far enough in advance of the deadline to insure timeliness. School registrars and administrators are often busy in the spring and if they do not send your transcripts on time, your application will be rejected.
- b. Neither the scholarship chairman or any other AHEPA member or official has the authority to extend any deadline. No untimely materials will be accepted and no late application will be considered.
- c. This deadline is a “received by” deadline. Postmarks and mailing dates are not considered. The chairman will retrieve all applications from his post office box at the close of business on the deadline date. Applications received thereafter will not be read or considered. **NO APPLICANT MAY ATTEMPT TO DELIVER HIS/HER APPLICATION OR OTHER MATERIALS IN PERSON OR ELECTRONICALLY.**

IV. SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION

- a. Place your completed application and essay in a #10 business sized mailing envelope and mail it to the Scholarship Committee Chairman at the following address:

Dr. Spero Lappas
AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP
Post Office Box 6065
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112

- b. Do not use certified or registered mail or any other form of mail that requires a receipt or signature. No private delivery services (FEDEX, UPS, etc.) may be used.
- c. The application must be printed single-sided and no staples may be used. Attach all pages together, including the essay, with a paper clip. Do not include the instruction pages, a cover letter, or any other materials in the envelope.
- d. All required materials must be submitted and received in accordance with these rules.
- e. The Applicant is responsible for compliance with these requirements. These rules will be strictly enforced and any non-compliant application will be rejected. No AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope member or official has the authority to waive or excuse non-compliance with these rules.
- f. Neither the applicant nor any other person may call or contact any scholarship committee member for further instructions or additional information, to explain non-compliance or difficulty of compliance, or to request an extension or other special consideration. Contacts from parents or sponsors are especially inappropriate. Any such contacts may, at the discretion of the scholarship committee chairman, result in an application being rejected.

CONFIDENTIALITY

All deliberations of the committee and all information relating to applicants' scores, qualifications, or the reasons for which any applicant did or did not win a scholarship are strictly confidential. No member of the committee will disclose any such information nor will any member of the committee discuss or answer any questions concerning these subjects. ALL APPLICANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, SPONSORS, AND FRIENDS AGREE TO THESE TERMS BY VIRTUE OF THE APPLICANT'S SUBMISSION OF A SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.

Application number _____



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ALL APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE THIS PAGE

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Identify the scholarship for which you are applying

Current High School Senior [] OR Current Student at Institution of Higher Learning []

Name of Applicant _____

Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Email Address _____

(A) Are you a member in good standing of an AHEPA Family Organization in Power District 4 or National? _____. If so, identify the organization and chapter:

(B) Do you have a parent, stepparent, or grandparent that is a member in good standing of the sponsoring chapter, Power District 4, or National? If, so please identify that relative by name and chapter.

Application number _____

Name: _____ Chapter number: _____

Every applicant must sign and date the following certification.

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I certify that all of the information in this application and the supporting documentation is true and correct and that I composed the application essay by myself without the help of any other person. I understand that if this application or any supporting materials are late or incomplete I will not be considered for the scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Application number _____

ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT EITHER THE ENDORSEMENT PARAGRAPH OR THE SPONSORSHIP PARAGRAPH (DO NOT SUBMIT BOTH)

ENDORSEMENT BY AHEPA FAMILY CHAPTER OFFICERS

COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THIS ENDORSEMENT IF YOU ARE QUALIFIED BECAUSE YOU HAVE ARE A AHEPA FAMILY MEMBER OR BECAUSE YOU HAVE A QUALIFYING RELATIVE

We, the President and Secretary of the AHEPA Family Chapter named below, or qualifying scholarship donor, certify that _____ (name of applicant) or his/her living parent, stepparent or grandparent (insert name of parent, step-parent or grandparent) _____ is a member in good standing of a qualifying AHEPA Family Chapter.

President _____ of Chapter _____ AHEPA/DAUGHTERS

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____

Secretary _____ of Chapter _____ AHEPA/DAUGHTERS

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____

SPONSORSHIP BY CHAPTER OR DONOR

COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THIS ENDORSEMENT IF YOU ARE SPONSORED BY A CHAPTER OR A SCHOLARSHIP DONOR

We, the President and Secretary of the AHEPA Family Chapter named below, or qualifying scholarship donor, certify that _____ (name of applicant) is sponsored by AHEPA Family Chapter _____, or by the scholarship donor named below.

President _____ of Chapter _____ AHEPA/DAUGHTERS

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____

Secretary _____ of Chapter _____ AHEPA/DAUGHTERS

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____

OR _____ Scholarship Donor

PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME _____

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NAME: _____

2026 POWER DISTRICT 4 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

FOR CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

1. Are you a current high school senior?

2. Name and address of CURRENT High School.

3. Names and addresses of any PREVIOUS High Schools (attach additional sheets if necessary)

4. Anticipated graduation date:

5. After you graduate from high school, will you be enrolling at an accredited institution of higher learning? Yes ____, No ____
 - A. Which one?

 - B. Anticipated Date of Entry:

 - C. Intended Course of Study:

Application number _____

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON THIS PAGE

HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION APPLICATION

List any Honors or awards which you have received while in high school: (attach additional sheets if necessary)

List any Extra-Curricular, Athletic, Church related, or Community Service activities with you have been involved while in high school: (attach additional sheets if necessary)

Do you feel that your official transcript and record of achievements does not adequately and accurately reflect your academic potential because of special circumstances beyond your control (such as family situation, personal, emergency, health problems, or others)? If the answer is "yes" please explain in the space provided below. Do not attach additional pages..

Application number _____

NAME: _____

**2026 POWER DISTRICT 4 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
FOR CURRENT POST-HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

1. Are you a current FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD YEAR student at an accredited institution of higher learning? SPECIFY YOUR CURRENT YEAR:

Will you continue to be a student at an accredited institution of higher learning for the remainder of 2026?

2. Name and address of your accredited institution of higher learning.
3. Names and addresses of any PREVIOUS accredited institution of higher learning(attach additional sheets if necessary)

Application number _____

DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON THIS PAGE

POST-HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION APPLICATION.

Anticipated graduation date:

Major Course of College Study:

Anticipated degree:

What are your plans for after graduation:

List any Honors or awards which you have received SINCE graduating from high school:
(attach additional sheets if necessary)

List any Extra-Curricular, Athletic, Church related, or Community Service activities with
you have been involved SINCE graduating from high school: (attach additional sheets if
necessary)

Do you feel that your official transcript and record of achievements does not adequately
and accurately reflect your academic potential because of special circumstances beyond
your control (such as family situation, personal, emergency, health problems, or others)?
If the answer is "yes" please explain in the space provided below. Do not attach
additional pages..