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## **ITALIAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

The Italian Heritage Foundation is a non-profit association whose primary purpose is to foster and develop social relations among its members; to foster pride in Italian Heritage by promoting appreciation of Italian culture and its contribution to the American social order and to its arts, music, and sciences, and to engage and foster events and develop facilities, policies and plans that promote the attainment of said objectives.

### **Why the scholarship?**

The Italian heritage Foundation serves a vital role in maintaining the Italian culture and educating Italian Americans of that culture. This scholarship is a step in that direction, raising the level of awareness that we have a rich heritage worth preserving.

### **Who is eligible for the award?**

Any current high school senior is eligible if he or she meets the following criteria:

1. Must be of Italian descent and a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
2. Applicant must be enrolled in either a public or private high school in Kern County who has been accepted or anticipates being accepted for enrollment in an accredited academic institution. Home-school applicants may be accepted on a case-by-case basis.
3. Applicants must possess a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at time of application.
4. Applicant's parents or grandparents must be a member of the Italian Heritage Dante Association.

**NOTE: THE POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 1, 2021. ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS AFTER THE POSTMARKED DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

Applications received early will have the benefit of being reviewed, and if any information is missing, they will have the opportunity to collect appropriate materials. Winners have 6 weeks to pick up their checks after the awards dinner or their money will be forfeited.

## APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

There are 5 scholarships available, 1 at \$2,000.00 and 4 at \$1,000.00.

I hereby apply for the Italian Heritage Foundation Scholarship. I understand and will meet the criteria as set forth above.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

High School/College \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Fathers Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of guardian (if other than parent) \_\_\_\_\_

My cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a copy of your official transcript, which includes the first semester of your senior year.

The College/University I plan to attend. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

My Course of Study/Profession I plan to pursue. \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Who in your family has been a member of the Italian Heritage Dante Association for a minimum of one year? \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a minimum of one letter of reference from a teacher, counselor, or administrator from your school.

In what special activities, such as sports, clubs, societies, churches, and volunteer work have you participated? (Attach additional page if necessary) \_\_\_\_\_

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In what ways have you maintained your Italian heritage? How has your Italian heritage influenced you? In what ways do you make others aware of your Italian heritage and its contribution to the arts, music & science? (Attach additional page if necessary)

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I certify that the above information is true and correct and that I will abide by the decision of scholarship committee.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Upon receiving your application, you will be sent an email confirmation. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Parks at (661) 832-3620. Again, please mail the scholarship to the above address. **APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 1, 2021, TO BE CONSIDERED.**