

APPLICATION FOR PHILOPTOCHOS, and ST. SOPHIA SCHOLARSHIPS-2023

Due Date: Friday, May 5th 5:00pm St. Sophia Church – Complete application must arrive on/or before due date of May 5th at 5 p.m. Mail to: (Attn. Scholarship Committee, c/o St Sophia GOC, 325 Waring Road, Syracuse, New York 13224). Other options are to drop off the completed application or email the completed application to lsteinberg@signalgtg.com. **Liz Steinberg will send out an email to applicants when all required documents have been received. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure everything is received. Liz Steinberg can be reached at 315-447-4445 if you have any issues or questions.**

Eligibility and Scholarship Requirements- Read carefully.

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a member of St. Sophia Church.
- Parent or guardian must be parishioner of good standing, having paid in full, the stewardship of the previous year and submitted current year stewardship pledge card.
- Student must be a matriculated full-time high school senior.
- Post-graduation plans must be for a full-time program of study in a 2-year or 4-year accredited vocational school, college or university.

Application Requirements- **Check off the following as completed and submit with application. Please advise your guidance dept. we will accept transcripts and/or recommendations via email to lsteinberg@signalgtg.com**

- Completed Application.
- Send official high school transcript which has been sealed and signed diagonally across the back flap of the envelope directly to Attn. Scholarship Committee c/o St. Sophia GOC, 325 Waring Road, Syracuse, NY 13224.
- Two letters of recommendation: One from the parish priest and one from either a guidance counselor or high school teacher.
- An essay of not more than two typed pages addressing the following:

“Share how your Orthodox faith has influenced your life. How is your faith relevant in your life today? Provide at least one example. How will your faith be part of your future?” Overall, we are looking for your essay to reflect how your faith steers your life.

- If available, proof of acceptance into a 2-year or 4-year accredited vocational, college or university. **If not available, please check here: _____.**

All materials must be received by the May 5th 2023 – 5pm. Incomplete applications and applications arriving post the due date will be disqualified.

PHILOPTOCHOS and ST. SOPHIA SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION

Name _____ Birth Date _____

Parents or Guardians Names(s) _____

Address _____

Phone No. _____

Year of Baptism into the Orthodox faith _____

Name of High School _____

If decided, name of college you plan to attend in the fall _____

If known, course of study you plan to pursue _____

Activities: High school, Church, Community Service, Clubs and Organizations (If more space needed add additional page.)

High school Extra-Curricular: _____

Community Service _____

Church Involvement: (Please check "x" if you have participated in the following:)

Sunday School (at least once a month) _____ Altar Boy _____

Oratorical Festival: Speech _____ JOY _____ JR GOYA _____

GOYA _____ Myrrhbearer _____ Greek Dance Group _____

Greek School _____ Greek Festival Helper _____ Church Youth Retreats _____

Good Friday Retreat _____ Church Community Service: _____

Honors (School and Church) _____

Hobbies, Special Interests: _____

Essay *"Share how your Orthodox faith has influenced your life. How is your faith relevant in your life today? Provide at least one example. What role will your faith play in your future?"* Overall, we are looking for your essay to reflect how your faith steers your life. (No more than two typed pages.)

Scholarship evaluation weighs high school achievements, church involvement, recommendations, community service and the essay equally.