

# 2026 NEW YORK GRAND LODGE FOUNDATION GRANT AWARD APPLICATION

Arthur Spera, Foundation President – Joanne Spera, Scholarship Chairperson

## APPLICATION FORM (Please Print or Type)

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Sex: Circle one (Male/Female)

College/Curriculum to which you are applying. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date entering: \_\_\_\_\_

Name/Address of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY MEMBERS OF OSDIA LODGES MUST COMPLETE THE LODGE IDENTIFICATION SECTION BELOW. THIS IS NOT REQUIRED FOR NON-AFFILIATED APPLICANTS.**

Lodge Name & Number: Duca Degli Abruzzi Lodge #443 Location: 126 Odell Ave, Endicott, NY 13760

OSDIA Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

President of Lodge: Matt Coletta President's Signature: Matt Coletta

Address of Lodge: 125 Odell Ave, Endicott, NY 13760 Phone#: 607-785-2567

**DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT: CHECK ONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **UNDERGRADUATE** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADUATE**

Check only if applying for: \_\_\_\_\_ *Italian Studies* \_\_\_\_\_ *Returning Student* \_\_\_\_\_ *Education Studies* \_\_\_\_\_ *Business Undergraduate*  
\_\_\_\_\_ *Graduate/Science/Engineering* \_\_\_\_\_ *Religious Studies* \_\_\_\_\_ *Music/Arts*

### **APPLICANTS MUST COMPLETE "ALL" INFORMATION ON THIS FORM**

- 1) Undergraduate awards are for current high school seniors who will begin full time undergraduate study in the Fall 2026 semester.
- 2) The following **MUST** be submitted directly to the District Scholarship Chairperson for the applicant's lodge or geographic district: (a) Official transcripts **including** first semester senior year grades and SAT/ACT scores. (b) **Two letters of recommendation** from teachers or counselors. (c) A student essay (**no more than 350 words**) summarizing educational and career goals, school and community service and a discussion of the significance of your Italian heritage, (d) Required documentation (I.E.P. statement) for Grant consideration. (e) **Completed checklist**
- 3) Applicant **MUST** be a resident of New York State and of Italian heritage/lineage.
- 4) **A \$10 application fee, made payable to the NY Grand Lodge Foundation, Inc., MUST BE INCLUDED WITH APPLICATION.**
- 5) **Application, fee and supporting material MUST be sent to the State Grant Chairperson and POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2026.**
- 6) Awards will be presented at a ceremony, location to be determined, sometime in June/July 2026.

\*\*\* Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE CALL THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE AT 516-785-4623 FOR INFORMATION ON YOUR DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRPERSON**

Grant Chairperson: Kathryn Grande Address: 10 Chestnut Ave. Glen Head, N.Y. 11545