

# 2026 NEW YORK GRAND LODGE FOUNDATION VOCATIONAL & TRADE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP 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: Endicott, New York

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

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

Address of Lodge: 126 Odell Ave, Endicott, NY 13760 Phone#: 607-785-2567

**DIRECTIONS TO APPLICANT: CHECK ONE:** ☒ **UNDERGRADUATE** ☐ **GRADUATE**

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

- 1) Undergraduate awards are for current high school seniors who will begin full time study at a fully accredited vocational school 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. (c) **Two letters of recommendation** from teachers or counselors. (d) 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. (e) **Completed checklist form**
- 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 District Scholarship 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**

District Chairperson: Josephine Federico District: VII Address: \_\_\_\_\_

4966 Driftwood Drive, Liverpool, NY 13088