# <u>SONS OF ITALY IN AMERICA</u> ST AUGUSTINE LODGE #2780

## Scholarship Award Process 2019:

**Initial Qualifying Factor**: Scholarship may be provided for any St. Johns County high school student with a demonstrable Italian-American heritage (of any proportion) and will be judged utilizing the following general criteria. Applicants must currently residents of St. Johns County and plan to be in a program of study in the fall of 2019 at an accredited institution of higher education. This includes a four-year college or university, a two- year community college, or a vocational/technical school.

#### 1. Additional Criteria:

- a. Candidates will be partially judged based on academic achievement (minimum 3.0 in high school).
- b. Recipient must be currently enrolled full-time in a St. Johns County school.
- c. Partial preference for this scholarship is provided to students whose parents do not have a baccalaureate degree.
- d. Applicants must be of good character, and have contributed to community, church, school, or home/family in some active demonstrated way.
- e. This scholarship criterion has a need-based, partial preference component for a degree seeking, St. Johns County Florida resident. Applicants with demonstrated financial need (expected family income based on FAFSA) will also be given some consideration.
- f. High school undergraduate students who demonstrate substantial financial need, are accepted in postsecondary educational institutions and whose parents have not earned a baccalaureate or higher degree, should clearly so state.
- 2. If there are no qualifying St. Johns County students applying, the scholarship **may** be awarded to an out of St Johns County, Florida student.

#### 3. Instructions:

- a. Complete the attached application form.
- b. Enclose an official high school transcript.
- c. Provide two letters of recommendation from your high school counselor and/or teachers.
- d. Provide news clippings or other evidence of your activities and participation in community support.
- 4. In order to be eligible for the current year, all applications and supporting documents must be submitted to:

Scholarship Committee Sons of Italy Lodge #2780 c/o Yessian 276 San Nicolas Way St Augustine,FL 32080-7711

### APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED/POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN: APRIL 17, 2019