

**SAINT SOPHIA  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
SCHOLARSHIP  
2010**



**APPLICATION  
SPONSORED BY:  
THE LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS OF SAINT SOPHIA  
525 CHURCH ROAD  
ELGIN, ILLINOIS 60123**

# SAINT SOPHIA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

## APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARD DEADLINE MARCH 31, 2010

### I. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicant must be either a High School senior who will graduate at the end of the current school term, or a college student currently enrolled in an accredited institution, **pursuing an Associates or Bachelor degree**. Two scholarships will be awarded to the most worthy applicants. At least one member of the applicant's family must be a steward of the Saint Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, Elgin, Illinois, and in good standing within the Orthodox Faith.

Applicant must have maintained a minimum B average, (3.0 on a 4.0 scale), during the entire High School or College course of study.

The applicant must complete a signed and dated application form.

In order for all applications to be considered the following must be completed:

- A certified transcript of grades from the high school or college of the applicant must be submitted.
- Three (3) complete recommendation forms must be submitted, one of which must be from Father Andrew. These forms are to be submitted separately by educators at the applicant's current school of attendance. It is the applicant's responsibility to assure that the selected educators submit the required forms prior to the deadline date. No exceptions will be made.
- A certified copy of the results on either the ACT or SAT test must be submitted if not noted on the official transcript.
- A photograph of the applicant no larger than 2-1/2 x 3-1/2 must be submitted. The scholarship committee may use the photograph for publicity purposes.

Applicant is ineligible to receive the Scholarship more than once in a lifetime.

*Upon awarding of the Scholarship, payment must be made to the school within twelve (12) months or the Scholarship will be void.*

*A minimum score of 85 must be achieved to receive the scholarship award.*

**All Applications, Forms and Correspondence  
Are to be mailed to:  
Saint Sophia Scholarship Committee  
525 Church Road  
Elgin, Illinois 60123**

**II. STUDENT INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents, Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_\_\_

1. I am currently enrolled as a High School Senior \_\_\_\_\_  
I am currently enrolled as a College Student \_\_\_\_\_

2. List the college most likely to be attended.  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you an active member of Saint Sophia Community: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. Please include a letter of Good Standing from Father Andrew.

**III. ACEDMIC INFORMATION To Be Rated 10% of Total**

High School or College Attended \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ GPA on 4.0 Scale \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Comp \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Total \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*Attach Certified Academic Transcript to this Page\*\*\*\*\*

**IV. SCHOLASTIC HONORS:**

Honor \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Honor \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Honor \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Honor \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Explain Details on Separate Sheet of Paper





**X. PERSONAL INTERVIEW**

To Be Rated 15% of Total

I hereby acknowledge that I have read that the eligibility requirements and state that I am eligible for consideration of a scholarship award. Further, I acknowledge that the final decision rests with the scholarship committee of Saint Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, Elgin, Illinois. I understand that the Personal Interview will be conducted on Saturday, May 8, 2010 and that I will be available on this day. I acknowledge that, if I am selected as this year's recipient, I will be present on June 13, 2010 to receive this award. **I also acknowledge that if I am awarded the Scholarship, the Scholarship must be paid to the school within 12 months or the Scholarship will be voided.**

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SAINT SOPHIA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
525 CHURCH ROAD  
ELGIN, ILLINOIS 60123  
847.888.2822**

Recommendation form - Please respond before:

**MARCH 31, 2010**

This recommendation form must be completed by an educator at the applicant's school of attendance.

The student below has applied for a scholarship. The scholarship selection committee wishes the frank appraisal of the applicant's qualifications. The student should demonstrate ability, scholarship, and character while in attendance at your school. In addition other pertinent information, which you consider important and enlightening, may be included. This letter of recommendation is confidential and will not be seen by the applicant. If necessary, please use both sides of the form. Please mail this appraisal no later than **MARCH 31, 2010** to:

Saint Sophia Scholarship Committee  
525 Church Road  
Elgin, IL 60123

For further information please contact  
Janice Novick at 847.888.2822

Applicants Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

It is with great joy that our Saint Sophia Philoptochos Society awards a scholarship to two qualified students from our parish. We recognize the hard work and dedication that the Orthodox your place on their church involvement and academic studies, and it is for this reason that we, the Philoptochos Society and the church wish to acknowledge your efforts.

The St. Sophia Philoptochos Society has established two \$1000.00 scholarships, to be awarded to two worthy applicants whose family is in good standing with our beloved St. Sophia Church. You should feel comfortable in applying for this award. An important criterion for this scholarship is your commitment to Christ and His Church.

Our prayers and best wishes go to you as you apply for this scholarship.

May our Lord and Savior bring Faith, Hope and Love to you and yours.

In His Service,

In Christ,

Fr. Andrew G. Karamitos

The Scholarship Committee  
St. Sophia Philoptochos