

February 7, 2010

Dear High School Graduate,

Please find enclosed the revised package for the Greek School of St. George Socrates Award. Based on the experience of the last three years with the Athena Award, we received comments from our two independent reviewers, and from the parent board members assigned to manage the process, and our director. As a result, we have renamed the award to **Socrates Award**, and made a few changes listed below:

- Simplified academic requirements for the Socrates Award
- A higher weight to contributions to the Church community and a commitment to Greek education.
- Separate awards to Friday and Saturday schools to ensure better comparability of students
- A short interview with the independent reviewers.

The deadline for this year's Socrates Award will be **April 30, 2010**.

Thank you very much, and good luck to all!

Sincerely,

Lena Petropoulos *Tessie Catsambas*

Lena Petropoulos
Greek School Director

Tessie Catsambas
President Greek School Parent Council

“Socrates” Scholarship of the Greek School of St. George

Greek School

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND GREEK SCHOOL GRADUATES!!!!

*“Socrates” Scholarship of the Greek School of Saint George
for Academic Excellence, Greek Language Studies,
and Community Service*

**Saint George Greek Orthodox Church
Bethesda, Maryland**

Purpose of Scholarship: Greek language is an important part of the Greek Orthodox religion, our heritage, and Greek-American culture. The Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George, Bethesda, Maryland is committed to the education of the Greek language and culture through its educational programs and its Greek School. It is recognized that learning Greek as a second language is difficult in the United States. The purpose of this award is to congratulate Greek School graduates for their academic studies in High School, promote love and pursuit of Greek language studies and encourage involvement in the community.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be High School Seniors and must have graduated from the Greek School of St. George.

Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0 or 75/100 and plan to attend a two or four year Academic Institution in the US or Canada.

Application and supporting documentation must be received April 30, 2010.

Letter(s) of decision notification will be sent to applicants by May 13, 2008. Award recipient(s) must provide evidence of acceptance by an Academic Institution in the US or Canada.

A maximum of two awards may be given out, depending on candidate qualifications:

Friday School Award: \$750

Saturday School Award: \$750

The Greek School reserves the right to not award any scholarships.

Selection Criteria:

Academic achievement as evident by High School GPA, SAT and/or ACT scores, AP or IB tests, Greek Language Studies, and Community Service

Application forms are available on the Greek School website and at the Greek School Office.

Note: The Selection Committee is not affiliated with the Greek School, Church Board or Church Parish. Candidate information is Private and Confidential.

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APPLICATION FORM

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Applicant instructions:

Please complete all sections of this form, including the checklist, and return along with all required documents to:

Greek School Director
Saint George Greek Orthodox Church
Attn: “Socrates” Scholarship of the Greek School
7701 Bradley Rd, Bethesda, MD 20817

Please note that incomplete or late applications will not be considered for an award.

The following documents should be **received by April 30, 2010**:

- A 250 word letter to the review committee explaining why should receive this award.
- Completed checklist
- Completed application form
- A wallet size photograph
- Minimum GPA: 3.0 out of 4.0 or 87/100.
- Official High School Transcript including grades ending from the first semester of Senior year
- School authorized copies of
 - SAT, AP or IB, and/or ACT scores
- Copies of Greek Language certification Exams
- Letter of recommendation from guidance counselor or high school teacher sent directly to the Greek School of St. George or attached in a sealed envelope
 - Indicate name: _____

Notes:

Awardees must provide proof of acceptance in a College/University in the US or Canada upon notification.

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<p>1. Applicant's Name (Last, First, Middle)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>2. Telephone Numbers</p> <p>Daytime: () _____</p> <p>Evening: () _____</p>
<p>3 Attendance</p> <p>_____ Friday School Student</p> <p>_____ Saturday School Student</p>	<p>4. Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY) _____</p> <p>5: Place of Birth _____</p> <p>6. Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>7. Mailing Address</p> <p>Street / P.O. Box: _____</p> <p>Apartment: _____</p> <p>City: _____</p> <p>State: _____</p> <p>Zip Code: _____</p> <p>Email: _____</p> <p>Parent Email: _____</p>	<p>8. Citizenship:</p> <p>US Citizen Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Permanent Resident Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If neither of the above, state status _____</p> <p>9. GPA: _____ out of _____</p> <p>Total number of AP, IB, post AP courses taken _____</p>
<p>10. Education</p> <p>Name of High School: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>High School Address: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>High School Phone Number: () _____ - _____</p>	<p>11. Test Scores and Dates:</p> <p>Attach copies of SAT, AP, ACT tests</p> <p>11a. SAT I Test</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Verbal Math Writing Total</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Verbal Math Writing Total</p> <p>11b. ACT Test</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year English Math Reading Total</p>
<p>12. AP or IB Tests</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Subject Score Mo Year Subject Score</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Subject Score Mo Year Subject Score</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Subject Score Mo Year Subject Score</p> <p>_____ / _____ _____ _____ _____ _____</p> <p>Mo Year Subject Score Mo Year Subject Score</p>	

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General Ratings	Average or Below	Good	Excellent (top 20%)	Outstanding (top 10%)
Intellectual Creativity/Curiosity				
Leadership				
Academic Achievement				
Sense of responsibility				
Warmth of personality				
Initiative				
Concern for others				
Self resilience				
Self confidence				
Integrity				
Emotional maturity				
Intellectual creativity				

Please indicate the range of the grading system at your School:

A: _____ B+: _____ B _____ C: _____ D: _____

The student has taken the following workload:

- Most Rigorous Available
 Rigorous
 Above Average
 Average
 Below Average
 Check if all students undertake the same curriculum

I recommend this student for the Greek School Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Greek Language Studies, and Community Service:

- Not at all
 With reservation
 Fairly strongly
 Strongly
 Enthusiastically

Please remember to sign the front of this form before you send it.

Thank you for taking the time to share your comments with us.