ORDER Sons and Daughters of Italy IN AMERICA

Watsonville Lodge #2016
Class of 2026 Scholarship Application

CRITERIA FOR SCHOLARSHIP:

1. **Applicant must be related to a <u>current member in good standing</u> of *Sons and Daughters of Italy Watsonville Lodge #2016***
2. **Applicant must attend school and reside in either Santa Cruz County, Monterey County or San Benito County**
3. **Applicant must have a 3.0 or better Grade Point Average**

<u>FINAL APPLICATION DATE: APRIL 10, 2026</u>

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS: No application will be considered unless all questions are answered.
(Printing or typing recommended)

PROVIDE:

- A certified transcript with grade point average
- Letters of Recommendation (minimum 2) from teachers, administrators, or members of the community
- **A detailed 300 words essay on your Italian origin and heritage. If you are not Italian, please submit an essay on your family's heritage.**

Name:_____

Birth Date:_____ Phone:_____ Email Address:_____

Address:_____

High School:_____

Name of Father or Guardian:_____

Name of Mother or Guardian:_____

Name(s) of Sibling(s):_____

Name(s) of relative(s) who is a <u>current</u> member in good standing of Sons and Daughters of Italy Watsonville Lodge #2016:

Name(s):_____

What College or University do you plan to attend?_____

What course of studies (your selected major) will you pursue following high school graduation?
What field do you plan to enter following college? Please elaborate:

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Do you have a job? Yes _____ No___ If yes, where are you employed and how many hours per month?

Place of Employment:_____ Hours per month_____

Are you involved in community activities? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, please list these activities:

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What extracurricular activities have you been in, or are presently involved in?

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Have you currently, or in your past high school years, held a class or school office? Yes___ No ___

If yes please list: _____

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Do you or your family have special circumstances that you feel we should be aware of? This includes your particular financial need. Please explain, if you like. (Any information is strictly confidential)

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In support of this application I submit the foregoing information and certify it to be true and correct. I understand that if any information submitted is determined to be untrue or incorrect, the Committee may reject the application.

I understand and agree that if I am awarded a scholarship by Sons and Daughters of Italy Watsonville Lodge #2016, it will be payable only upon proof of completion of the first quarter/semester of the 2026 academic year from a recognized community college or accredited college or university, public or private, no later than February 28, 2027.

Date:_____ _____
Signature of Applicant

Date:_____ _____
Signature of Applicant's Parent or Guardian

Please comply with all the above so that your application can be processed, and mail or email the application and all supporting documents to:

Michelle Cecchini
Scholarship Chair
Sons and Daughters of Italy
Watsonville Lodge #2016
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