



2026 Scholarship Application

The Italian Cultural Foundation is offering several scholarships this year for both students who have studied Italian for a minimum of three (3) years and other students, who, though not having studied Italian, appreciate the richness of Italian culture and its history.

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Address #1: _____

Address #2: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student Phone: _____ Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

Student Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address: _____

High School Presently Attending: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ (and/or ranking if provided by school): _____

Academic Awards & Honors: _____

School Clubs or Leadership Positions: _____

Sports: _____

Arts (Drama, Music, Visual, etc.): _____

Career Goals: _____

Community Service: _____



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Employment: _____ Check One: Paid Volunteer Position

Position/Title (if applicable): _____

Colleges Applied/Accepted: _____

Directions: The essay submitted must be typed and double-spaced with the student's last name and page number in the upper right corner of each page. The essay consists of 500- 700 words and must be a PDF document, labeled as student's first, last name and school (ie, Sara Martin Essay-ABC High School and Sara Martin Application- ABC High School).

Any AI generated essays will not be considered by the Scholarship Committee and will be immediately discarded. All essays will be graded by the committee on content, grammar, and punctuation.

Submissions must include this application and essay as separate documents and emailed to:
icfsnjvineland@gmail.com from student's email with "Scholarship Submission" in the subject line.

Please apply by submitting an essay using one of the criteria listed below:

- Submit a typed essay half in English and half in Italian if you have studied Italian, are a native speaker of Italian, or have learned to speak Italian from your family. Explain how this first or second language has been a benefit to you and why this scholarship is important to you.
- Submit a typed essay between 500 and 700 words in English explaining why this scholarship is important to you and describing your interest in Italian culture. If you are of Italian heritage, explain what that means to you. If you are not of Italian heritage, do you see any similarities between your culture and the Italian culture?

**Scholarships will be awarded at our Scholarship Presentation Ceremony held at
Cumberland Mall on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:30 PM.**

RECIPIENTS MUST ATTEND IN PERSON TO RECEIVE THEIR AWARD.

ELECTRONIC (EMAIL) Applications are due no later than MARCH 9, 2026.