

**Sons and Daughters of Italy
Bradenton Lodge #2782
Scholarship**

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

It is the goal of the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America to promote, enhance and encourage the studies of Italian heritage and culture. This scholarship program is designed to benefit worthy students of Italian descent that display academic excellence and leadership qualities. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of eligibility, scholastic achievement, participation in school and community programs with a submission of a 750-word composition entitled "What My Italian Heritage Means to Me".

- Association with the Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America is not a prerequisite; however, the applicant must be of Italian descent and a State of Florida resident.
- Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.00 (unweighted).
- Applicants must have a minimum SAT total score of 1100 or must have an ACT composite score of 23.
- Recipients must be accepted as a full-time student at an accredited junior college, college or university and must enroll immediately following graduation from a Manatee County High School.

Note:

Funds for the recipients will be mailed directly to the school Bursar or Financial Aid Office of choice with the instruction that they may be used for any expenses processed through their office for the recipient. Scholarship recipients that are accepted and decide to attend another school, other than the one originally selected, must immediately notify the Bradenton Lodge Scholarship Chairperson so the funds may be transferred to the appropriate institution. Unused funds in the account must be returned to the Sons and Daughters of Italy Bradenton Lodge #2782, upon either of the following:

- The recipient ceases to attend classes for whatever reason and does not immediately transfer to another accredited institution.
- The recipient withdraws from school and does not immediately transfer to another school.

All funds returned to the Sons and Daughters of Italy Bradenton Lodge #2782 will be returned to the scholarship fund for the following year's awards.

This application must be filled out completely. Incomplete applications will not be considered or returned. Scholarship winner will be notified no later than March 31st.