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## Senator Lanza Announces Italian American Scholarship for 2019

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Senator Andrew Lanza announces that the New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators is now accepting applications for scholarships to be awarded at their Annual Legislative Conference Day.

“With the high expenses of college, students should take advantage of every opportunity to offset the costs. We all know the tremendous financial pressures faced by both students and parents as they prepare to pay for college and it is my hope that this scholarship will

eliminate some of that burden for a deserving student on Staten Island. I am hopeful that students across Staten Island will apply for both the academic and athletic scholarship. In addition to our students exceling both academically and athletically, I would be honored to have our residents selected to receive these scholarships.” said Senator Lanza.

Applicants will be judged based upon grade point average, interest in pursuing a higher education degree, involvement in the local community, as well as individual financial need. As per the New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators' guidelines, applicants must be residents of Senator Lanza's Staten Island district. Applicants need not be of Italian-American heritage to apply.

Students who apply for the Athletic Scholarship have to demonstrate athletic involvement, achievements and interest in continuing those activities in college. Requirements for the Academic Scholarship are the student's grade point average, interest in pursuing a higher education degree and involvement in the local community as well as individual financial need. There will be two Academic and two Athletic Scholarships offered in the amount of \$3,500 each.

The Conference is a bipartisan organization of New York State Assembly and Senate members who are actively involved in promoting and celebrating the state's Italian-American community. The Conference mission is to work hard to elevate and highlight Italian-American contributions to the State of New York and beyond, in all aspects of society, including literature, the arts, architecture and politics. The conference also tries to dispel negative stereotypes of Italian-Americans.

All scholarship applications must be submitted by Friday, March 29, 2019. Applications are attached for downloading. For further information or to request a hard copy, contact Senator Lanza's office at 718-984-4073.

