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Dear Guidance Director:

The DANTE Foundation of Nassau County, Inc. is a nonprofit organization founded to foster Italo-American heritage and culture through education and philanthropic endeavors. We are awarding several \$5,000 scholarships to graduating high school students of Italo-American ancestry who reside in Nassau or Suffolk County and who will be attending an accredited college or university. Finalists will be invited for a personal interview with our selection committee and winners will be announced in May 2017.

We are seeking students who have achieved high standards in the academics, participated in extra curricular activities and scored above average on the SAT/ACT exams. Financial need and other personal factors will also be considered in the holistic review of the applicants. We will accept a maximum of four applications from each school. Please give applications to only four students. Any additional applications will not be considered.

The four students you recommend are to be submitted by you under one cover:

- 1) Personal information
- 2) Copy of transcript
- 3) Copy of SAT/ACT scores
- 4) Essay (as listed in Item #12)
- 5) Three letters of recommendation
- 6) Mail to: Mr. Frank Antetomaso, DANTE Foundation
235 East Jericho Turnpike, Mineola, NY 11501

Incomplete packets will automatically be disqualified and no applications will be accepted after February 28, 2017. No exceptions will be made.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Antetomaso

Frank J. Antetomaso, President
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Fai bene e lascia il resto a Dio / Do well, and leave the rest to God!

DANTE FOUNDATION

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

TO ALL STUDENTS:

The DANTE Foundation of Nassau County, Inc. was founded December 19, 1984. The organization is composed of 100 men and women of Italian heritage, who have united to encourage fellowship among all Americans of Italian descent; to renew the traditions of the Italian heritage; to generate funds; to establish scholarships for outstanding youths of Italian ancestry and to support deserving charitable organizations and causes.

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Qualifications For All DANTE Scholarship Awards:

At least one of your parents must be of Italian descent. You must have a successful academic and extra curricular record, and above average SAT scores. When applying, all responses must be typed. Hand written responses will be disqualified. Responses must be submitted in packet form - under ONE COVER FROM YOUR SCHOOL. RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO STAFF MEMBER WHO GAVE IT TO YOU.

1. Answer questions 1 through 12.
2. Attach a copy of your transcript.
3. Include a copy of your SAT Scores.
4. Submit three letters of recommendation.
(example: Counselor, Teacher, Clergy, Coach, etc.).

***The last day our office will accept mailed packets is February 28, 2017. Incomplete and/or late packets will automatically be disqualified. No extensions or exceptions will be granted. For confirmation of our receiving your packet, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Cards without postage will not be returned.

APPLICATIONS SHOULD NOT BE SENT BY YOU.
GIVE YOUR COMPLETED PACKET TO THE SCHOOL STAFF MEMBER FROM WHOM YOU RECEIVED THE APPLICATION. ONLY FOUR APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM EACH SCHOOL.

***DEADLINE - OUR OFFICE MUST RECEIVE YOUR PACKET MAILED TO US BY YOUR SCHOOL NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 28, 2017**

GOOD LUCK! - (Please See Other Side)

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STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*****Avoid being disqualified for error or missing the deadline of February 28, 2017.**

Personal Information: On separate paper, using a word processor or typewriter please provide the following:

- 1. FIRST NAME - MIDDLE NAME - LAST NAME**
- 2. STREET ADDRESS - CITY - COUNTY - ZIP CODE**
- 3. TELEPHONE NUMBER**
- 4. DATE AND PLACE OF YOUR BIRTH**
- 5. FATHER'S NAME - PLACE OF BIRTH – OCCUPATION**
- 6. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME - PLACE OF BIRTH - OCCUPATION**
- 7. SIBLINGS IN YOUR FAMILY - NAMES OF SCHOOLS THEY ATTEND**
- 8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL YOU ARE ATTENDING**
- 9. LIST ACADEMIC HONORS YOU RECEIVED IN HIGH SCHOOL**
- 10. LIST YOUR EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**
- 11. LIST COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED AND INDICATE WHICH HAVE GRANTED ACCEPTANCE.**
- 12. WRITE AN ESSAY AND INCLUDE THESE 5 POINTS:**

(If any of these 5 points are not included, your essay will be disqualified).

- 1. Describe why you want to attend college.**
- 2. Why you have chosen your intended major.**
- 3. Describe your future aspirations.**
- 4. How has your Italian heritage impacted your life.**
- 5. What a DANTE Scholarship would mean to you.**

You should incorporate any other information about yourself, and/or your family, which you feel, would be of interest to our selection committee.