

Sen. Griffo encourages students to apply for New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators scholarships

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UTICA – State Sen. Joseph Griffo, R-I-C-Rome, is once again encouraging area high school seniors and current college students to apply for the 2019 New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators Academic and Athletic Scholarships.

This year, the Conference is awarding two academic and two athletic scholarships, each in the amount of \$3,000. Applications will be accepted from any New York State resident that is either a current college student or high school senior entering college. Applicants should have a grade point average of 85 or higher; be active in community service and extracurricular activities; demonstrate financial need; and in the case of the athletic scholarship, be involved in an organized sport or sports.

"The price of attending college is a very serious concern for many students and families throughout New York State," Sen. Griffo said. "This is a chance to help students lessen the burden of college debt and to defray some of the expenses incurred by seeking higher education. I encourage every eligible student in my district to apply for this scholarship."

Area students may request an application by contacting Sen. Griffo's office at (315) 793-9072, emailing griffo@nysenate.gov or by visiting the Senator's website at www.nysenate.gov/senators/joseph-griffo.

Application forms should be returned to Sen. Griffo's District Office in Utica by Friday, March 29. Scholarship recipients will be announced in May, and winners will be honored at a ceremony in Albany on June 3.

The New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators is a bipartisan organization of state Assembly and Senate members who actively promote and celebrate the state's Italian-American community. Sen. Griffo has been an active member of the Conference and has served as Past President of the organization.

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