

## October 2023

To: AHEPA Family Officers

Re: AHEPA Journey to Greece Program

From: Craig A. Theros, PSG & Marshall Monsell SG

**Brothers:** 

The AHEPA "Journey to Greece" program originated in 1968. Since then, thousands of students have taken advantage of this tremendous program specifically designed to immerse young students of Greek heritage in a wonderful learning experience celebrating Greek society and culture.

Today, through the partnership between the AHEPA and Webster University, this four-week program is set up for students within the AHEPA family, from all points, throughout the world to travel to Greece; live and attend college credit courses at Webster University's satellite campus in Athens. On weekends, the students travel to various historical and cultural sites, throughout Greece and select islands, to learn by experience. Not only do they learn about our rich Hellenic history and culture, but as they study and travel, they create bonds and relationships that last a lifetime!

As a father of a recent "Journey to Greece" student we saw how the program benefited my son Alex. Our aim is to offer the opportunity for all students of Greek heritage to enroll in this excellent program! Rising prices for travel, lodging, food, and education have made this opportunity a challenge for many prospective students.

As AHEPAN's, we are obligated to make the "Journey to Greece" program accessible to all students desiring to attend, as it promotes Hellenism through education and opens opportunities to increase our membership as the students will become aware of what the AHEPA does and what it stands for! To make this program viable for all students, we as Districts and Chapters need to step up!

Our students get 6 transferable college credits; all tuition paid in full by AHEPA; an in depth cultural and educational program; and best of all, an appreciation for the Order of AHEPA and all of our programs! These young AHEPAns are the ambassadors for our community.

Supreme President Tsivicos has asked us to assist in assuring the program thrives. We ask that each District support this vital campaign with a minimum of \$5000 and each Chapter support with \$500. Please send your support as soon as possible to Global Headquarters, so that planning for the 2024 "Journey to Greece" program can begin. Thank you for your support!

Download the brochure TODAY by visiting the AHEPA web site at ahepa.org, and click the education tab in the PROGRAMS click down tab or type this in your browser https://ahepa.org/education/

Fraternally,

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