AHEPA Empire District 6 (New York State) HELLENIC HISTORY TOURNAMENT

2026 Competition Rules for AHEPA & DOP Chapters (also applicable for a business, school, church and individual)

1. Introduction

This document explains how the Empire District 6 AHEPA & Daughters of Penelope (DOP) chapters can participate in the 2026 Hellenic History Tournament (HHT) and make it a successful event.

The group responsible for the successful execution of this tournament is the Hellenic History Tournament Committee comprised of Dean Moskos, AHEPA Supreme Governor Region 3 & PDG6 (Co-chairman), Lainie Damaskos-Christou, DOP Grand Governor Zone I & PDG6 (Co-Chair), Gus Constantine, AHEPA District 6 Governor, Marina Patelos, DOP District 6 Governor, Basil Katsamakis, Chairman of the AHEPA District 6 Scholarship Committee and all Scholarship Committee members.

HHT Advisors are Themistocles Frangos, AHEPA Supreme Secretary; Gregory Simones, PDG7 and Director of the District 7 HHT; Nicholas Nikas, PSG4 and PDG7, and James Hutchison, Canadian AHEPA PDG23.

Please read the 2026 HHT Rules for Students before to learn about how the tournament runs.

2. Chapter Participation

All chapters of AHEPA District 6 are requested to participate in three specific ways:

- By buying a Sponsorship at an amount listed in the Sponsorship Level Table shown below which will help cover general expenses (such as mailing, copying, lunch, refreshments, cleaning, security, etc.).
 Depending on the funding raised, the HHT Committee will consider adding a third prize at this Tournament or for future Tournaments.
- 2. By promoting this program within their community and recruiting & sponsoring at least one three-member team of students in the amount of \$450. (Chapters are encouraged to inform their church schools or area charter schools of this tournament in order to form teams.)
- 3. By sponsoring or helping to sponsor all eligible students in District 6 (as the AHEPA Meteora Chapter #455 did in the past) who wish to participate if no team can be formed in their community.

3. Sponsorship

Each three-member team entering the competition needs to be accompanied by a monetary contribution from the sponsoring chapter or organization. This is called "HHT Team Sponsorship" and is the primary mechanism for funding HHT prize awards. The AHEPA or DOP chapter closest to a team's community is expected to sponsor the participating team outright, but if that is not feasible, the chapter should assist the team in finding another local sponsor, such as an individual chapter member or an interested individual, business, school, church or organization in the local community.

Hellenic communities willing to sponsor a team but not located near an AHEPA chapter are encouraged to do so in the hope that they will eventually form their own chapter.

Prospective teams who are unable to obtain an HHT Team Sponsorship will not be able to register.

4. Sponsorship Levels

| Amount | Sponsorship Level | Sponsorship Information |
|---------------|----------------------|--|
| \$1 - \$99 | Friend | Listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$100 - \$249 | Supporter | Special donor listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$250 - \$249 | Socrates | Shown in HHT Event Poster, listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$450 | HHT Team Sponsorship | Live Acknowledgement at HHT Event, Poster, and listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$500 - \$749 | Herodotus | Live Recognition at event, Poster, and listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$750 - \$999 | Aristotle | Live Recognition at event, Poster, and listing in the Program Booklet and website. |
| \$1,000 | Pericles | Full-Page Recognition and Ad at event, Poster, and listing in the Program Booklet and website. |

Chapters are encouraged to sponsor specific teams. Those chapters sponsoring specific teams need to confirm with the teams before they submit their registration form. Chapters or any other organization, business or individuals who cannot find a specific team but still wish to sponsor one can elect so and will be assigned a team.

Each chapter, business or organization that purchases a sponsorship will receive a letter from the AHEPA District 6 HHT Committee to acknowledge its tax-deductible contribution. Team Sponsorships payments must be received by the HHT Co-Chairman Dean Moskos by due date shown below. If no payment is received by the due date, the sponsored teams will not be able to compete.

Sponsors: Please provide your contact information: Name (including organization and contact name), e-mail address, telephone number, and mailing address, and indicate your Sponsorship level.

The tournament will take place if at least 10 teams participate. Failure to attract at least 10 participating teams may result in the cancellation of the tournament.

Funding (or fundraising for) these fees is a local chapter responsibility. It follows that a chapter's publicity efforts must correspond to its willingness or ability to fund the local participants. There will be no centralized fundraising at the District level.

5. Payment Methods and Deadlines

- A) For HHT Team Sponsorships: By the registration date deadline of February 1, 2026, all chapters and organizations must submit their payments by the due date.
- B) For all other sponsorships, donations MUST be submitted by Wednesday, February 25, 2026. See payment options below:
 - 1. By check: Checks must be made payable to the Empire AHEPA District 6, (earmark HHT Sponsorship) and mail to Dean Moskos, HHT Committee Co-Chairman, 53-05 Overbrook Street, Douglaston, NY 11362; or
 - 2. By Venmo: Submit your payment via Venmo at @Dean-Moskos; or
 - By PayPal: Submit your payment via PayPal at payments@ahepad6.com.

5. Dates

- Student Registration Form and Fee (\$30) to HHT Co-Chair Deadline: Sunday, February 1, 2026
- HHT Competition at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church Saturday, February 28, 2026
 - Registration, light breakfast and coffee at 9 am; Competition starts at 10 am.

6. Financial Accountability

The Co-chairman of the Hellenic History Committee Bro. Dean Moskos will give a complete accounting of all income and expenses associated with this project at the first District 6 Lodge meeting that occurs after the competition date and will provide a full report at the District 6 Convention.

7. Questions

Please submit your questions to HHT Co-Chairman Dean Moskos via e-mail at HHT@ahepad6.com.