

AHEPA Empire District 6 (New York State)

HELLENIC HISTORY TOURNAMENT

2023-24 Competition Rules for Chapters

1. Introduction

This document explains the responsibilities of the Empire District 6 chapters participating in the 2023-24 Hellenic History Tournament (HHT).

The group responsible for the successful execution of this tournament is the Hellenic History Tournament Committee, whose members are Dean Moskos, PD6G (Co-chairman), Lainie Damaskos-Christou, DOP D6G (Co-Chair), Peter Ragoussis, D6G, Basil Katsamakias, D6 Director of Education, Jimmy Papageorgiou, D6 Director of Events & Philanthropy, George Zouvelos, D6 Director of Hellenism, Peter Giakoumis, Director of Family & Individual Excellence, Paul Pavlakos, D6 SOP Liaison/Mentoring, and Vasilios Chrissochos. In addition, the expanded committee includes all HHT AHEPA & DOP Chapter representatives that sponsor and send participating teams.

HHT Advisors are Themistocles Frangos, AHEPA Supreme Counselor; Gregory Simones, AHEPA Yankee District 7 Secretary and Chairman of the District 7 HHT; Nicholas Nikas, PS7G and PD7G, and James Hutchison, Canadian AHEPA DG23.

Please read the 2023-24 HHT Rules for Students before proceeding further.

2. Chapter Participation

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

1. By contributing a flat per chapter participation fee to the HHT committee towards general expenses (such as mailing, copying, lunch, refreshments, videographer, etc).
2. By aggressively promoting this program within their community and recruiting at least one three-member team of students.
3. By sponsoring or helping to sponsor all eligible students in their territory who wish to participate (see Sponsorship below).

3. Sponsorship

Each three-member team entering the competition needs to be accompanied by a monetary contribution from the sponsoring chapter. This is called "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 find another local sponsor, such as an individual chapter member or an interested individual 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 a chapter sponsorship will not be able to register.

4. Chapter Fees

Each chapter is responsible to provide funding according to the following table:

Participation/Chapter		\$100
Sponsorship/Team		\$400
Teams		
0		\$100
1		\$500
2		\$900
3		\$1,300
4		\$1,700
5		\$2,100

The specific amount that each chapter is responsible to provide is shown in the above table. The chapters must remit their participation and sponsorship payment by the Student Registration due date shown below. If no payment is received by the due date, the chapter-sponsored teams will not be able to compete.

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.

By the registration deadline (see dates below), the chapters must submit their payments. Checks should be made payable to the Empire AHEPA District 6, (earmark HHT Fee) and mail to Dean Moskos, HHT Committee Co-Chair, 53-05 Overbrook Street, Douglaston, NY 11362.

5. Dates

- Student Registration Form and Fee (\$50/\$20) to HHT Co-Chair – Deadline: **Sunday, January 28, 2024**
- HHT Competition at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church – **Saturday, February 17, 2024**

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 provide a report at the District 6 Convention