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Attention: Senior Class Counselors

The **Italian Catholic Federation** (I.C.F.) is a National Roman Catholic Fraternal Organization composed of persons of Italian ancestry (including their non-Italian spouses) who are of the **Roman Catholic Faith**.

One of the many programs of the Federation is to offer college scholarships to further the education of students who achieve a **total cumulative GPA (3 ½ years)** of at least **3.2** and meet all of the requirements in either #1 or #2: 1) Are **Roman Catholic** and of **Italian Descent** and **live within the Roman Catholic Dioceses of California, Illinois (cities within the Archdiocese of Chicago only) and Reno in Nevada (which also includes the other cities within the Diocese of Reno), as these are the only Dioceses where Branches of the Federation are established.** or 2) if either **Roman Catholic parent, guardian or grandparent** is a **member** of the **Italian Catholic Federation**, the student **must** be **Roman Catholic** but **need not be of Italian Descent** or **live where Branches of the Federation are established – membership of a Roman Catholic parent, guardian or grandparent is mandatory for #2**. ***Please note the requirement of a parent or grandparent needing to be a member for Roman Catholic students who are not of Italian ancestry. A student cannot just meet the requirement of being a baptized Roman Catholic.**

We invite you and interested students to go to our website at www.icf.org and download and complete the fillable scholarship application, attach the required documentation and submit the scholarship application via mail, fax or e-mail to our office. Also available on the site, along with the application, is a flyer that can be posted to notify students of the availability of these scholarships. If you or your students have any questions, you can call our office at 1-888-423-1924. The amount of the scholarship is **$500.00** and the **application deadline is April 10, 2027**.

It is our belief that through your dedication to the education of our young people, and our interest in providing financial assistance to graduating seniors entering college, that together we can help our youth meet the challenges of tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Carmen Kilcullen
Chairperson, Scholarship Committee