# The George Hallas Student Recognition Award Description

**The Fellowship of Orthodox Churches of Connecticut** (FORCC) seeks to unite the Orthodox Churches in Connecticut to work together to promote the Orthodox Faith throughout the state. As a part of this mission, the **Fellowship** offers awards to qualified candidates each year. These awards are dedicated to the memory of one of the founding members of FORCC, the late George Hallas.

The **George Hallas Student Recognition Award** is offered to young Orthodox Christians entering a college, university, vocational, trade school or tech school for the first time and who are parishioners of any of the member Churches of **FORCC**. With a value of $1,000.00 each, they recognize the academic achievement and parish involvement of the recipients.

A special *Award Committee* is appointed each year by the **FORCC** governing board to examine all applications received and give out the awards. All applications and any accompanying information is kept in the strictest confidence.

***Please Note:***

**All applications and supporting documentation must be completed and either postmarked by June 1, 2024, or hand-delivered to Award Committee Chairperson Alexia Tassmer at the address below by that date.**

Alexia Tassmer,

Chairman of the FORCC Award Committee,

95 S. Orchard St.,

Wallingford, CT 06492-4132.

Telephone: (203) 284-0856, Cell: (203) 623-5336

***Applications postmarked or hand-delivered after June 1 will not be accepted No e-mail or fax applications will be accepted***

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# The George Hallas Student Recognition Guidelines

*All applications must include:*

1. An official transcript from the high school from which the student is graduating or, in the case of those who are home-schooled, the results of any standardized tests required for college admission. These must be supplied by the school or testing agency and must be postmarked by *June 1, 2024*. Transcripts and test results should be sent to: Award Chairperson Alexia Tassmer at the address listed above.
2. A copy of the Letter of Acceptance from the college, university, vocational, trade or tech school.
3. An essay of not more than 150 words, typed or clearly hand-written in ink, introducing yourself to the Awards Committee. Explain your educational and vocational plans and any civic and church involvement or extra activities.
4. A wallet size photograph for publication.
5. The Award Application Form and the Parish Participation Form.
6. Any references from faculty members, your parish priest, and any supporting documents, etc.

## Eligibility

1. The applicant must be an Orthodox Christian and an active participant in his or her parish.
2. The applicant must be entering an accredited two or four-year college or university, trade, vocational or tech school for the first time, as a full-time student.
3. No applicant will be disqualified if another member of the family has previously been given this award
4. The parish of the applicant must be current with its membership status, which includes the current and previous year.

## Basis of Selection

The Awards Committee will consider all applications, attached documents and transcripts submitted to make its decision, which will be final. The contents of all applications will remain confidential.

## Scholarship Awards

$1,000.00 (One Thousand Dollar) Awards will be given from the Awards Fund to the best qualified applicants.

*Please Note: Awards will be awarded at the FORCC Annual Banquet in October.*

*Recipients will be invited as guests. Notification of date and location will be announced.*

# Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School and date of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you will definitely attend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Anticipated course of study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Academic degree sought: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian’s Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Church Activities: Please complete and attach Form B, which must be signed by your Parish Priest to be accepted for consideration.

Honors and Awards in High School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Offices held in Class or School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Name and city of home parish: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that I have answered all the above questions correctly to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Parish Participation Form B

*Please answer the following questions and have your Parish Priest sign the form.*

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parish Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Priest’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Priest’s Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *Have you participated in any of the following?*

Church School: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Choir: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Altar Server: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ How many years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Name of Orthodox organizations to which you belong and any offices held:*

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Parish Priest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Award Checklist

*All items listed below must be included with your application when it is submitted and must be received by the FORCC Award Chairman on or before June 1, 2024. Incomplete applications and those not postmarked or hand-delivered to the Award Committee Chairperson by June 1st will be rejected.*

***E-mailed or faxed applications will not be accepted at any time.***

1. The completed Application Form, signed by you and dated.
2. The Parish Participation Form B, completed and signed by your parish priest.
3. A Letter of Acceptance from the college, university, tech, trade, vocational you will be attending.
4. An official transcript from your high school or the results of any standardized testing used for college admission.
5. Any Letters of Recommendation (school, priest, etc.).
6. A Personal Essay of 150 words or less.
7. A wallet-size photograph.