

Sons of Norway District 1 Adult Scholarship Information, 2026

As voted at the 2022 Sons of Norway District 1 Convention, adults are eligible to use District scholarship funds in it's mission of "Promoting. Preserving and Cherishing a Lasting Appreciation of the Heritage and Culture of Norway and Other Nordic Countries (Sweden, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland)" (per the Scholarship Trust Fund, amended June 2022).

While scholarships for youth remain our primary goal, funds, as available, will also be awarded to adults in the study of Norwegian and other Nordic country languages, heritage and culture.

The District 1 Scholarship fund may be used for any adult and family activities offered through the Nordic Concordia Language Villages as well as courses and activities offered by recognized instructors, such as Vesterheim or North Folk School and others, which further individual knowledge and skill development of Scandinavian Culture and/or Folk Art. The Mikal Kartvedt Scholarship may only be used to attend adult and family activities offered through Skogfjorden that meet the District's mission. These scholarships are available to any District 1 Lodge member 18 and older. **These are separate scholarships, however both may be applied for.**

Requirements

1. The applicant must be a current member of a District 1 Sons of Norway Lodge for the current period of application and time class is attended. If the applicant is under the age of 18, they should apply for the District Youth Scholarships.
2. Scholarship awardee is highly encouraged to share their experience with their Lodge or Zone by a news article in their Lodge Newsletter, local paper(s), lodge presentation or display. Scholarship recipient is requested to grant permission to use their photo(s) and name in SON publications.
3. The applicant must submit a completed Adult Cultural Scholarship Application to include a short statement as to how the proposed class/event pertains to Scandinavian Culture/Folk Art (see application). The application should be submitted to the District 1 Scholarship Coordinator between **August 1st and September 30th.** Scholarships will be voted on at the annual Fall Board meeting.
4. Applicants who have never received a scholarship will receive preference over those that have received a scholarship in the proceeding five years. Applicants may apply for reimbursement of a course taken within the previous 6 months of application. Proof of payment is required.
5. Applicant may apply for scholarship if they are on an official wait list for a class or has prepaid for a qualifying class. *Payment will be awarded when notified that registration is granted and documentation of class/event admittance, and proof of payment is received.*

Class/Event Guidelines

1. Classes may be in person and/or online, and/or by instructor presentation ie video/lecture. Examples of qualifying classes/events may include:
 - a. Cultural Class/Event – generally defined as 6 or more hours of instruction/day
 - b. Presentations or workshops less than 6 hours/day
 - c. Immersion study, internship or apprenticeship
 - d. Independent study
2. Scholarship money must be used for intended purpose stated in the application. In the event of cancellation or applicant is unable to go, the scholarship will be forfeited, and monies returned within 30 days to the District 1 Scholarship committee member or Treasurer.
3. If you unsure about the eligibility of your class/event, contact the District 1 Scholarship Coordinator. All applications will be considered.

Scholarship Amount & Documentation

1. Scholarship amount will not to exceed \$50/day and/or \$500 annually or 50% of the total cost. More than one class/event scholarship may be requested, not to exceed \$500.00 annually per person. The final scholarship amount will be at the discretion of the District 1 Scholarship Committee. Instruction/presentation time will be rounded up to the nearest hour, not to exceed 50% of the cost.
2. Applicant will be notified of scholarship award or denial by phone/email. A check will be issued to the applicant.
3. Proof of class/event registration, proof of payment and proof of attendance (such as a signed document or correspondence from the instructor/presenter) is required when applying for a retro reimbursement scholarship award within the current calendar year.

If you have questions about the District 1 Scholarship program, or how to access or download or fill out forms, please contact Carolyn Townsend, District 1 Scholarship Coordinator at cjtownsend@comcast.net or #763-434-5650.

Copies of all forms can be found at <http://sofn-1.org/> or contact Carolyn to have print copies mailed to you.

Sons of Norway, District 1 Adult Culture Scholarship Application
Due Date: September 30th

District 1 Scholarship Adult Culture Scholarship is for any adult and family activities offered through the Nordic Concordia Language Villages as well as courses and activities offered by recognized instructors, such as Vesterheim, North Folk School and others, which further individual knowledge and skill development of Scandinavian Culture and/or Folk Art.

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____ Cell Phone _____

Lodge member of _____

Sons of Norway membership number _____

Name of Class/Event _____

Date(s) _____ Online _____ In Person _____ Indep Study _____

Registration Due Date _____ Registration/Tuition Cost \$ _____

Number of class hours per day _____

Description of class & statement of how this proposed class/event relates to scholarship's purpose (may use attachment or additional sheet as needed).

Send completed application by September 30th to: Carolyn Townsend 1268 146th Ave. NW,
Andover, MN 55304 ATTN: Scholarship or email to cjtowndsend@comcast.net ATTN: Scholarship

District Use Only

The following must be completed by the District 1 Scholarship Committee for District record keeping

Hours/day _____

Number of days _____

Total hours of class/event

Past amount received _____

Suggested Scholarship Amount*

*Not to exceed \$50/day and \$500 total

Scholarship Committee

SON Membership number _____ Confirmed _____

This application has been reviewed and ___meets___ does not meet scholarship requirements.

Scholarship Coordinator Signature _____ Date _____

Applicant notification date _____ Initials _____

Treasurer

\$ _____ Lodge Scholarship awarded to participant (not to exceed \$50/day or \$500 total or 50% of course cost).

Check # _____ Date _____

Treasurer Signature or Authorized Rep _____

District Use Only

The following must be completed by the District 1 Scholarship Director for District record keeping

Skogfjorden Program Name

Number of days _____
Total cost of program _____
Past amount received _____
Suggested Scholarship Amount*

Scholarship Committee

SON Membership number _____ Confirmed _____

This application has been reviewed and ___ meets ___ does not meet scholarship requirements.

Scholarship Coordinator Signature _____ Date _____

Applicant notification date _____ Initials _____

Treasurer

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