

2026 Rules for Chapters

AHEPA Yankee District #7 (Northeast)

HELLENIC HISTORY TOURNAMENT

1. Introduction

This document explains the responsibilities of the Yankee District #7 and neighboring district chapters participating in the 2026 Hellenic History Tournament.

The group responsible for the successful execution of this tournament is the Hellenic History Tournament Committee, whose members are Greg Simones (chairman); Nicholas Nikas (Emeritus chairman) and a representative from each chapter as follows: Waterbury, CT: Alex Boutsoulis; Hartford, CT: Mike Bonatsakis; Bridgeport, CT: John Bochanis; Danbury, CT: Gregory Kallas; New Haven, CT: Emanuel Cosmas; Stamford, CT: Nicholas Nikas; Providence, RI: George Coclin; Norwich, CT: George Grossomanides; New Britain, CT: Titos Ritsatos; Pawtucket, RI: Ioannis Apostolakis; Newport, RI: Chapter Secretary; New London, CT: John Fakis; Norwalk, CT: Theologos Demetriades; Danielson, CT: Nikolas Gounaris. In addition, the committee includes leaders of neighboring districts that sponsor and send participating teams.

Please read the 2026 HHT Rules for Students before proceeding further.

2. Chapter Participation

All chapters of AHEPA District #7 and nearby districts 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 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 for providing funding according to the following table:

		As a Function of the Total Number of Teams/Students												
		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		30	33	36	39	42	45	48	51	54	57	60	63	66
Chapter Fees														
Participation/Chapter		\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Sponsorship/Team		\$343	\$318	\$292	\$274	\$255	\$242	\$228	\$218	\$207	\$199	\$190	\$183	\$176
	Teams	Individual Chapter Examples												
	0	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1	443	418	392	374	355	342	328	318	307	299	290	283	276
	2	786	736	684	648	610	584	556	536	514	498	480	466	452
	3	1,129	1,054	976	922	865	826	784	754	721	697	670	649	628
	4	1,472	1,372	1,268	1,196	1,120	1,068	1,012	972	928	896	860	832	804

The specific amount that each chapter is responsible for providing will be announced after the registration deadline, when all participating teams become known. The chapters will then have about 2 months to make the necessary payments.

The tournament will take place if at least 10 teams (i.e. 30 students) 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.

After the registration deadline (see Dates below), the chapters will be billed according to the above table depending on the specific number of participating teams (overall and from the chapter). Checks should be made payable to AHEPA District #7 Hellenic Education Fund, and mailed to Gregory Simones, HHT Committee Chair, 3 Longview Av, Waterford, CT 06385.

5. Dates

Student Registration Form and Fee (\$25/\$10) to HHT Chair – Deadline: **June 30, 2026**

Chapter Fees (Participation + Sponsorship) to HHT Chair – Deadline: **September 18, 2026**

HHT Competition at St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church – **Saturday, November 21, 2026**

6. Financial Accountability

The chairman of the Hellenic History Trophy Committee will give a complete accounting of all income and expenses associated with this project at the first District #7 meeting (conference or convention) that occurs after the competition date.