

Elena Karavassilis



Elena Karavassilis is a young Greek American living in Bayside, Queens. Elena is currently attending Queens College, CUNY as an upper sophomore. She has achieved being on the Dean's and Principal's Honor Roll lists every semester, while majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders and minoring in Psychology. Elena discovered the passion she has for speech pathology at a young age as a result of growing up with a cousin who has had to face the challenge of a speech disorder. Her desire to become the best speech pathologist she can possibly be has motivated her to exert herself in her studies. She hopes to be able to make a difference in children's lives by improving the quality of their everyday life experience.

While school is a major priority, Elena always finds time to give back to her community. She grew up very close to her Greek community by attending Greek school starting at grade K-8, attending Sunday school, and being an active member of GOYA (Greek American Youth Association) in her church. Elena represented the Greek American community of Katerini in the 2013 Greek Independence Beauty Pageant of the Federation of Hellenic Societies of Greater New York. She has been volunteering at St. Nicholas church as a Kindergarten Sunday school teacher since 2010 and really enjoys opening the door for the young children to the understanding of their religion. Furthermore, Elena has been working to support herself financially, while being a full time student working towards completing her BA.