



**23-03-2026 3rd Student Conference: “Words, too, are veins. Blood flows through them”
(March 18 and 19, 2026)**

On Wednesday, March 18, and Thursday, March 19, 2026, the 3rd Student Conference entitled “Words, too, are veins. Blood flows through them” was successfully held at the Ilion Music School. The conference was co-organized by the “Initiative for the Prevention of Domestic Violence” of the Youth and Family Foundation of the Holy Archdiocese of Athens and the General Secretariat for Religious Affairs, with the support of the Holy Metropolis of Ilion, Acharnes and Petroupolis.

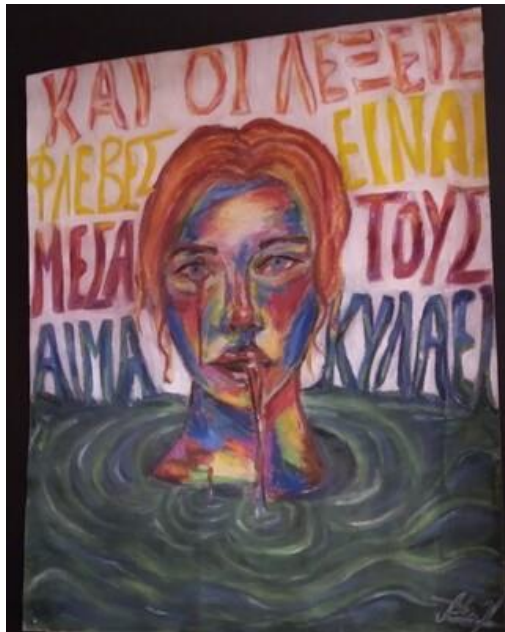
Three hundred and fifty (350) students from the 2nd and 3rd grades of middle school and the 1st and 2nd grades of high school from schools under the Regional Directorate of Primary and Secondary Education of Attica, accompanied by their teachers, participated in the conference.

Students took part either as conference attendees and/or as speakers, submitting a written essay, creating a poster, or producing a video featuring a song with lyrics and music of their own composition. Through their work, the students’ sensitivity and creativity were highlighted. The winning poster was selected as the conference poster.

The students had the opportunity to discuss focusing primarily on the causes, triggers, and especially the consequences of hate speech, a significant factor in gender-based and domestic violence.

The General Secretariat for Religious Affairs congratulates all students who participated in the conference, the teachers for their support and the parents for encouraging their children. It also expresses its warmest thanks to the school administration, the teachers’ Association, and, in particular, to the students of the Ilion Music School for their valuable assistance.

1. AWARD



2. HONORARY MENTIONS



3. CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS



4. AWARDS CEREMONY

