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# **COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

## 1. Eligibility

Eligible students for the Craig Tribal Association Scholarship Program are limited to the following group.

## **Craig Tribal Association tribal member.**

## 2. Scholarship Amount

- a) An eligible student attending an institution full time (12 credits) on a quarterly basis, except as provided in paragraph 2(c), will receive a scholarship amount of \$333 per quarter.
- b) An eligible student attending an institution full time (12 credits) on a semester basis, except as provided in paragraph 2(c), will receive a scholarship amount of \$500 per semester.
- c) An eligible student attending college for <u>summer classes</u> or enrolled for classes <u>part-time</u> in a degree program can receive scholarship funds on a per credit basis.

## 3. Prerequisite for Receiving a Scholarship

- a) The initial scholarship for a new applicant will require the receipt and approval of a completed Craig Tribal Association Scholarship application, proof of acceptance of the institution, and a class schedule showing full time or part time status.
- b) Subsequent scholarships to continuing applicants will be sent upon:
  - Proof of full time or part time enrollment courses which lead to a predetermined degree; and
  - ii. Proof of successful completion of prior courses with a 2.0 grade point average. Upon completion of prior courses for each quarter or semester, the student arrange to have official transcripts sent to the Craig Tribal Association office by mail, fax or email by the institution's Records Office.

## 4. Payment of Scholarship

Scholarship awards will be sent to the institution's financial aid office.

## 5. Higher Education Eligibility Requirements and Award Process

The Craig Tribal Association provides financial aid to enrolled tribal members who are attending, or plan to attend, an accredited college or university in the pursuit of an Associate degree or higher.

We fund full or part-time attendees; part-time attendance is 6 credit-hours per term and each class must be completed within the term of attendance (no extending into another term for completion).

**Important:** Funding is limited and students who are enrolled in the Craig Tribal Association and reside in the Constitutional boundaries will receive priority for funding. Due to the limited amount of scholarships available, the funds will be distributed to those students under the following point system. Once the scholarship awards are exhausted, any remaining applicants will be on a "funds available" basis.

Applicants are processed based on a point system (below), the date the application is deemed complete, and unmet financial need. Applicants compiling the most points will receive the highest consideration for funding. An accumulation of 5-50 points is applied based on the following criteria:

- a) 20 points for students currently residing in the Constitutional boundary area of the Craig Tribal Association.
- b) 15 points for graduation from a high school in the Constitutional boundary area of the Craig Tribal Association.
- c) 5 points for applicants who are enrolled and can trace their origin to the Constitutional boundary area of the Craig Tribal Association.
- d) 10 points for applicants who submit a 250 word essay outlining their educational and professional goals.
- e) Applicants will also receive extra points based on their GPA.

2 points for 2.0 – 2.99 GPA 4 points for 3.0 – 3.99 GPA 6 points for 4.0 GPA

## 6. Ineligibility for Future Scholarships

- a) If a student drops out or does not maintain a 2.0 average, the student shall be ineligible to receive a scholarship for the next enrollment period, unless extenuating circumstances can be shown (e.g. death in the family, serious illness, or other unavoidable serious life event). For purposes of this requirement, a student shall be deemed to have maintained a 2.0 or C average if such average has been attained either in the last enrollment period or on a cumulative basis.
- b) Furthermore, if a student drops out and does not return the scholarship funds for that enrollment period to the Craig Tribal Association, the student shall be ineligible to receive any further scholarship aid, provided, however, that the student may receive a waiver of this policy, if the student can

- demonstrate a valid reason to the Craig Tribal Association pursuant to the procedure set out in paragraph 7. (Appeals of Scholarship Denial)
- c) Any person who owes the Craig Tribal Association money will not be eligible for scholarships.

# 7. Appeals of Scholarship Denial to Craig Tribal Association

The Tribal Council will serve as the scholarship hearing committee and will hear appeals from students who are denied a scholarship grant from the Craig Tribal Association.

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