



Programs, Grants and Scholarships Application

The Chickasaw Nation is pleased to offer its students funding assistance for college. The following is a list of programs, grants and scholarships that you may be considered eligible to receive. **Please read the description of each, and place a check in the box next to the funding source for which you wish to be considered.** You are encouraged to select all areas in which you qualify. After completing this page, the attached application and providing us with the required documentation, your application will be reviewed for consideration of funding. All programs, grants and scholarships offered by the Chickasaw Nation are for **Chickasaw citizens only. Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees will complete Form 04629E to apply for programs, grants and scholarships (this excludes CDI employees). School-to-Work Program employees will complete Form 04629S.** No student will be considered for funding who does not have a Chickasaw Nation citizenship card or citizenship confirmation. **Applications and documentation can no longer be submitted by fax, however you may apply online and upload your documents.** All programs, grants and scholarships applications and documentation will be delivered via postmarked U.S. Mail, email or in person **to the education services office by established deadlines – spring semester – Feb. 1st. / summer semester - June 15th / fall semester* – Sept. 1st.** For quarter system students the deadline will be one month from the start date of the term. By signing the application, you declare that you have read and understand the *Chickasaw Nation Higher Education Student Handbook* concerning the Chickasaw Nation Higher Education programs as they relate to funding students who are attending college. You may find the handbook at www.chickasaw.net/highered

PROGRAMS, GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Please Check Only the Items for Which You Wish to be Considered

Higher Education Grant

*Attend three credit hours or more each semester
*Maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher

General Scholarship Program

*Attend three credit hours or more each semester
*Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher
Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees are ineligible.

Text Book Grant

*Attend three credit hours or more each semester in college.
*Maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher
*Part-time undergraduate, graduate or doctoral – up to \$250 per semester
*Full-time undergraduate, graduate or doctoral – up to \$500 per semester

Grant Type - **Reimbursement** – Receipts required by:
Spring semester – March 15th
Summer semester – July 1st
Fall semester* – October 15th

Gift card – Current award receipts due by next semester deadline

***Students have six months from the load date to use all money on the card (see Section V.F.1 of Student Handbook).**

Laptop Scholarship Program

*Undergraduate student will be full-time (12 hours or more) and will have completed at least 30 college credit hours
*Part-time **graduate** and **doctoral students** (excluding summer).
*Will be enrolled at an accredited college or university with **cumulative** GPA of 3.0 or higher (excluding summer)
The Chickasaw Nation and Education Services Department are not responsible for any expenses incurred for warranty work, technical issues or upgrades.
Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees are ineligible.

College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

*Student will provide a copy of satisfactory scores on the CLEP examination before a reimbursement can be issued.
*Submit original receipt of payment for CLEP exam
*Completed programs, grants and scholarships application
*Apply within six months after receipt of payment
Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees are ineligible.

Degree Completion Incentive

*Complete a bachelor's degree or higher classification
*Apply within six months of graduation
*Submit final official transcript showing degree conferred
*Amount \$1,000 with 2.0 GPA or higher requirement
Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees are ineligible.

License and Certification Fee Assistance Program

*This program provides assistance for licensing and certification test/exam fees. Students are limited to license and certification test/exam fees assistance once per student per certification. Students are eligible for test/exam fees only up to \$500 per test/exam on reimbursement or prepayment basis. Application for the license and certification reimbursement will be made within six months of the student's receipt of payment.

1. **Prepayment:**
a. Application
b. Copy of test/exam registration
2. **Reimbursement**
a. Application
b. Original receipt of payment

Graduation Stole Program

*Will earn an associate's degree or higher at an accredited college or university
*Eligibility is limited to one award per student per degree

Required Fields	
Applicant – please complete	
Name: _____	
Semester Applying for Funding:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring 20 ____	<input type="checkbox"/> Summer 20 ____
<input type="checkbox"/> Fall 20 ____	<input type="checkbox"/> December intersession
<input type="checkbox"/> May intersession	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter
College Classification:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate
<input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore	<input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Concurrent
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT/SAT (High school only)
Degree:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Associates	<input type="checkbox"/> Masters
<input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors	<input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate

Graduation Assistance Program (reimbursement only)

*Submit original graduation receipts within six months of graduation

*Reimbursement for graduation assistance once per student per degree *Amount up to \$150.00

Full-time Chickasaw Nation employees are ineligible.

ACT/SAT Services

Check appropriate box: ACT voucher

ACT/SAT reimbursement Cargill ACT prep workshop

*Chickasaw students may request either a voucher for the National ACT test or reimbursement

*Reimbursement only provided for the SAT

*Up to \$55.00 for ACT/SAT test or ACT/SAT prep workshops

Governor's, Lt. Governor's and Legislators' Scholarships - Deadline: - September 1 (only applicable for fall semester)

*Awarded one-time only – no renewal

*Incoming freshman who have graduated from high school in the last 6 months.

*Students who have a GPA of 3.85 or higher, or who have been selected as class valedictorian or salutatorian are eligible.

Governor's Scholarship

* 3.95 GPA or higher or class valedictorian

* Amount - \$500

Lt. Governor's Scholarship

* 3.90 GPA or higher or class salutatorian

* Amount - \$400

Legislators' Scholarship

* 3.85 GPA or higher

* Amount - \$350

Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes – Johnson O'Malley Scholarship - Deadline: September 1 (only applicable for fall semester)

*One male and one female graduating high school senior (awarded one-time only – no renewal).

*Incoming freshman who have graduated from high school in the last 6 months.

*Will be attending a school within the Chickasaw Nation that has a JOM program

*Will submit one letter of recommendation

*Submit a 500-word typed essay (size 12 font) regarding future goals, tribal and community involvement

*Award amount \$300

High School Seniors Only

Concurrent Enrollment - Deadline: Summer - June 15; Fall - September 1; Spring - February 1

*High school **seniors** who are eligible for concurrent enrollment and enrolled at an accredited college/university in no less than three credit hours. Education services will pay costs for fees and books up to \$250 (if a student's state does not have a tuition waiver, then education services will look at each application for tuition on a case by case basis). Students will follow all of the guidelines of the higher education grant and submit the following:

1. Complete higher education grants and scholarship application
2. Submit high school transcript
3. Submit a copy of college class schedule with an itemized billing statement
4. Textbook reimbursement a receipt for textbooks with the vendor's name and the amount paid listed
5. Detailed billing statement showing cost of fees and tuition

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DEADLINE is Feb. 1st for spring semester / June 15th for summer semester / Sept 1st - for fall semester*.

Personal Information

Social Security no.: _____
 First name: _____
 Middle name: _____
 Last name: _____
 Maiden name: _____ Suffix: _____
 Birth date: _____
 Gender: Male Female
 Mailing address:

 Street City State ZIP
 Physical address:

 Street City State ZIP
 Cell phone: _____
 Text alerts – standard message and data rates may apply
 Home phone: _____
(if applicable)
 Email address: _____
Note: All Chickasaw Nation correspondence will be sent to this email address. This will ensure a more efficient notification process regarding the status of your application. Students are responsible for checking their email regularly to guarantee receipt of correspondence.
 I do not have an email address. Please continue to issue all correspondence via U.S. Mail.

Are you in the military? Present Past
 What branch of service? _____

Chickasaw Nation Education Services and the applicant agree to strictly maintain the confidentiality of all information disclosed hereunder or any amendments thereto. The parties concur that the information contained in said application will be considered confidential information and will not be disclosed to third persons, except upon written consent of the applicant or as otherwise required by law.

Student Checklist

Application Type:
 New (did not apply last semester) Concurrent
 Renewal (applied last semester) High school senior
 ACT/SAT (High school only)
Semester Applying for Funding:
(Please check only one)
 Spring 20____ Summer 20____ Fall 20____
 December intersession May intersession
 Quarter

Student Checklist:
Documentation Submitted:
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 Current college class schedule
 Student Authorization for Disclosure of Information in Education Records (beginning freshmen or new applicants or renewals if not on file) – Page 4
 Official college transcript (if you have college credit hours)
 A current official high school seven-semester transcript (high school seniors and applicants with no college credit hours)
 GED scores (if applicable)
 ACT/SAT scores if you are home schooled

College attending: _____ Field of study: _____
 Financial aid / scholarship address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ College classification: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior
 Graduate Doctorate
 Student ID no: _____ Expected graduation date: _____

Contractual agreement – I declare that I will use any funds I receive from the Chickasaw Nation Higher Education Program solely for expenses connected with attending _____. I also certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I grant consent to release this information to the necessary agencies to complete my financial aid package. **Disclaimer:** Any dispute over student eligibility will be decided by the Chickasaw Nation Education Services Program. The decision of Chickasaw Nation Education Services will be final.

Student Contract – By signing the application, I declare that I have read and do understand the **Chickasaw Nation Higher Education Student Handbook** concerning the Chickasaw Nation Higher Education programs as they are related to funding students who are attending college. I also understand that these policies are not all encompassing and may be changed as needed to assist Chickasaw students in a better way. The Chickasaw Nation Higher Education Student Handbook can be found at: www.chickasaw.net/highered

 Student's signature Date



Student Authorization for Disclosure of Information in Education Records

RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:
The Chickasaw Nation
Education Services
Higher Education Program
300 Rosedale Road
Ada, Oklahoma 74820

Pursuant to Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

Instructions:

To authorize the Chickasaw Nation Education Division and higher education to obtain your educational information and to authorize Chickasaw Nation Education Services to release your educational information to individuals or to the college/university you are attending, please:

- 1) Fill out all appropriate fields on this form; and
- 2) Hand-deliver or mail the form to the address above.

Note: Forms will not be accepted without a signature.

First name:	
Middle name:	
Last name:	
Suffix:	
Birth date:	

Please enter the name of the organization/institution or individuals to whom the authorization is given or revoked. You may enter more than one name. Enter only ONE name per space.

Organization/Institution authorized			
	<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked		<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked
	<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked		<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked

Individual authorized	
	<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked
	<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked
	<input type="checkbox"/> given <input type="checkbox"/> revoked

Authorization:

I hereby authorize the Chickasaw Nation Education Division and higher education to disclose my educational record(s) to the above-mentioned organization/college/institution or individuals:

 Student's signature

 Date

 Parent's signature (if applicable)

 Date

Authorization:

I hereby authorize the _____, to disclose my educational record(s) to the above-mentioned Chickasaw Nation Education Division and higher education:

Name of educational institution

 Student's signature

 Date

 Parent's signature (if applicable)

 Date

To enhance security measures, students now have the option to generate a PIN for their student files. Anyone seeking information regarding your student file will be required to verify the PIN before information will be released. This can be done by going to www.chickasaw.net/highered and clicking on "Fill form out online." By initialing the line below you are refusing this service and allowing organizations/individuals to retrieve information regarding your file based solely on this form.

 Student's initials

The vision of the education services department is to provide services that encourage and support academic and professional development of Chickasaw students.