

Northwest Indian Housing Association (NWIHA)

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Sports camps, science camps, music camps or the like are not eligible for scholarships.

CHECKLIST

Here is a helpful checklist of what every submission must contain, in order to be considered:

- A completed SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM (Form #1, pages 2-4) including a HANDWRITTEN (not typed) essay within the space provided on page 3.
- The sponsorship letter must be from a voting member of NWIHA in good standing as a dues paying member (this includes a tribal department, an Indian housing authority or TDHE). Sponsorship letter must be signed by the housing office manager, executive director, or other such title for the person in charge of housing. Letter must be on letterhead of the tribe, authority, or TDHE signing the sponsorship letter.

Go to www.nwiha.org for a list of Voting Members and contact information.

- Provide letters from two (2) individuals on references; references may not be related to you or your family.
- Application must include written documentation of your tribal enrollment by the enrollment officer from applicant's Tribe.
- Application must include transcripts from the college or high school you are attending or plan on attending, or GED certification.

All of these items must be postmarked on or before March 31st of each year, or the Application will be automatically rejected. Faxed applications will NOT be accepted.

Mail completed Applications and supporting materials to:

NWIHA Educational Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 3785
Seattle, WA 98124-3785

Please update us with any address changes when they occur!

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Scholarship applications will be reviewed to meet the following minimum eligibility before any further review of the application will be done. Applicant must either have an application pending or a letter of acceptance from a higher education institution such as a four (4) year college or a two (2) year community college prior to the funds being sent to the higher educational institution. Applicant must be less than twenty four (24) years old on the deadline submission date. Applicant must be an enrolled member from one of the NWIHA member Tribes.

Payments are made directly to the school, organization, etc. and not to the Applicant or their families. All of these items must be postmarked on or before March 31st of each year, or the Application will be automatically rejected. Faxed applications will NOT be accepted. All Applications become the property of NWIHA. NWIHA reserves the right to publish essays.

Step 1. Applicant Information.

Name of Applicant: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Male Female

Residence Address (not P. O. Box): _____

Mailing Address (if different from above): _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Tel: _____

E-mail: _____ Tribal Affiliation: _____

Current Status: Full time student. Part time student Non-student

If an award is made, to whom should the funds be sent? _____

Step 2. Family Information (Have Your Parent or Head of Household Fill in This Section).

Total Number of Family Members in the Household: _____

Verification of Total Household Annual Gross Income from All Sources. Applicants must provide gross income from all sources. This includes both parents or guardians, whether married, divorced or living apart, or an unmarried couple.

- \$0 - \$10,000
- \$10,000 - \$25,000
- \$25,000 - \$50,000
- \$50,000 - \$100,000
- \$100,000 or more

Step 3. Write an Essay.

HAND WRITE – do NOT type - in the space below, the need for funds, how the funds will be used, and how the educational activity or training will improve the Applicant’s life. Write in this space only:

Amount of Scholarship Requested: \$ _____.

Essay:

[Large empty rectangular box for writing the essay]

Step 4. Document Support for Your Application.

Applications without the appropriate documentation will be considered incomplete.

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4. Application must include transcripts from the college or high school they are attending or plan on attending, or GED certification. Transcripts must include all prior year classes, i.e. if a sophomore in college the transcript must be through your freshmen college courses, if a senior in high school it must be through your junior year. All transcripts must be certified by the high school or college you attended. If transcripts are only available on-line, please enclose the print-out which identifies the school's web site link that was used.

Step 5. Sign, Date and Mail the Application.

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Application by Prior Award Winners. Only those previous award winners who are *currently* enrolled in a four-year degree program will be considered for another award for this program year.

Signed (Applicant): _____ **Date:** _____