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A Message from the Indian Education Coordinator

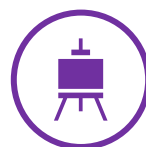
This is Jackie Ghazal, the Indian Education (Title VI) Coordinator for Skiatook Public Schools. Below I have listed some important information and resources for our Native American Indian students. You will also find my contact information below. My office is located at the High School and ESC. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns by email (ighazal@skiatookschools.org) or phone (918)396-1792 x1119.



The next ACT test dates are April 13, and June 8, July 13, 2024. **Vouchers do not cover late registration fees.** Register on time at:

<https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration.html>

Vouchers are available for the ACT tests for students that are eligible. Eligibility includes: a copy the students or parents CDIB or Tribal Membership card and a 506 Indian Student Eligibility Certification form on file. Please contact Jackie Ghazal or your counselor if you need a voucher for the ACT test.



Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after Oct. 1st. Apply online each year at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov). Apply for grants and scholarships early since funding is limited. <https://studentaid.gov/>

Oklahoma's Promise allows eighth, ninth or 10th grade students to apply that are eligible. Students must also meet academic and conduct requirements in high school. <https://www.okhighered.org/okpromise/about.shtml>



ENHANCING THE EDUCATION OF NATIVE STUDENTS

Title VI Program Tutoring

Marrs Elementary

nkubow@skiatookschools.org

Skiatook Elementary

tcargill@skiatookschools.org

Skiatook Intermediate Elementary

gjames@skiatookschools.org

Newman Middle School

jfreeny@skiatookschools.org

shemminger@skiatookschools.org

Skiatook High School

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kjohnston@skiatookschools.org

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Skiatook Public Schools

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jghazal@skiatookschools.org



Osage Nation JOM

This program has resources for Tribal members that are 1/4 degree of Indian Blood or a member enrolled in a Federally recognized tribe. Indian Students KG – 12th

School Supplies, Support for Graduates, Tutoring, Support for Athletes, Class Fees, Scholarship Guidance, Reimbursements.

For more information contact: Avis Ballard, JOM Coordinator (918) 287-5545

ABallard@osagenation-nsn.gov



Website:

<http://www.skiatookschools.org/indianed>



Contact:

918-396-1792 ex. 1119



Email:

jghazal@skiatookschools.org

RESOURCES TO HELP YOU PLAN, PREPARE AND PAY FOR COLLEGE

American Indian College Fund Full Circle Scholarship Application Walk through Video:

<https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/scholarships-faqs/>

Visit our [scholarships](#) page and evaluate the scholarship categories (undergraduate attending a tribal college, undergraduate attending a mainstream college, or graduate student) to click “apply now” to begin the application process.

Scholarships by Age/Grade Level: <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/scholarships/age/>

Financial Aid: <https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/resources/financial-aid/>

OCAP Oklahoma College Assistance Program: <https://ocap.org/>

Ready Set Repay: <https://readysetrepay.org/>

U CAN GO 2: <https://www.ucango2.org/index.html>

American Indian Science and Engineering Society:

<https://www.aises.org/students/scholarships?fbclid=IwAR1kZqZGtXMN6RBtL1LSH5JyDp4VmV9AzJsEo3IBXjDAMXtucn7GQIBvE8>

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education: <https://www.okhighered.org/>

Oklahoma Money Matters: <https://www.oklahomamoneymatters.org/>

The Go-to Guide for College Financial Aid: <https://www.finaid.org/>

Ok College Start: <https://secure.okcollegestart.org/>

College and Career Resources for Indigenous Students

<https://www.delawarenation-nsn.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/College-and-Career-Resources-for-Indigenous-Students-2021..pdf>

THE GATES SCHOLARSHIP <https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/>

US Department of Education

Student Loans, Forgiveness, Grant Programs, News, Contact Us & General Inquiries

<https://www.ed.gov/>

Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society <https://www.oklahoma-ocie.org/>

Cobell Scholarship: <https://cobellscholar.org/>

Indian Health Service Scholarship Program: <https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/>

Oklahoma Promise: Must be an Oklahoma resident. Must enroll in the 8th, 9th, 10th or 11th grade. Must be a student whose parents’ federal adjusted gross income does not exceed: \$60,000 with 1 or 2 dependent children or \$70,000 with 3 or 4 dependent children or \$80,000 with 5 or more dependent children.

Center for Online Education:

<https://www.onlinecolleges.net/>

State Grants:

<https://www.scholarships.com/resources/higher-education-agencies/>

Gear up <http://www.gearup.org/>

Any Student, regardless of income, who wants to be considered for federal, state, and school financial aid programs. This includes grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans. College and career schools use the FAFSA form to determine how much financial aid you FAFSA link: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

Guide to scholarship for indigenous students <https://study.com/resources/college-scholarships-for-indigenous-students>

CHEROKEE NATION

Gadugi Portal Link: <https://gadugiportal.cherokee.org/>

Cherokee Nation Education Services

<https://www.cherokee.org/all-services/education-services/>

High School Honor Cord Link: <https://www.cherokee.org/media/npvj5jfe/hscordapplication-3-9-232.pdf>

Concurrent Enrollment Scholarship Link: <https://www.cherokee.org/media/rggjnlpz/crc-ce-fa23-information-flier-1-24-23.pdf>

Valedictorian & Salutatorian Scholarships Link: <https://www.cherokee.org/media/e1rfvztl/val-sal-letter-2024-4-3-23.pdf>

Cherokee Nation College Resources is an advocate for Cherokee Nation citizens pursuing higher education. Scholarship advisors provide comprehensive student advisement and scholarship searches. Cherokee Nation scholarships are available for eligible tribal citizens residing within the Cherokee Nation reservation and contiguous boundaries or citizens who are eligible for the Pell grant and live outside those areas. Eligible high school juniors and seniors may also qualify for concurrent college classes.

The following link is information regarding options for internet/connectivity across the reservation.

<https://connect.cherokee.org/>

Cherokee Nation

<https://www.cherokee.org/contact-us>

17675 S. Muskogee Ave Tahlequah, OK 74464

Phone: 918-453-5000 ext. 5341

To reach the Cherokee Nation College Resource Center, call 800-256-0671, ext. 5465

<mailto:concurrentenrollment@cherokee.org>

THE OSAGE NATION

<https://www.osagenation-nsn.gov/what-we-do/education-department/higher-education-scholarship>

Osage Nation Scholarships Policies and Procedures:

HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Osage Nation Higher Education Scholarship is available to Osage students pursuing post-secondary education at the associate level or beyond. A wide range of educational choices is supported, including associates, bachelors, masters, and doctoral degree programs at accredited schools. Students must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of a 2.0 and be in good standing to remain eligible for scholarship funding. Students may not receive the Career Training Scholarship and Higher Education Scholarship simultaneously.

The annual qualifying application opens on May 15 of each academic year. The 2023-2024 academic year must be submitted by 11:59 pm CT (central time) on June 15, 2023

Link to the Higher Education Scholarship Application <https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/osage/> (Electronic or request a printable PDF application)

Scholarship America administers the Osage Nation Higher Education Scholarship Program. All inquiries regarding your application status and/or scholarship should be directed to Scholarship America at:

Toll-Free Phone: 855-758-8609

Email OsageNation@scholarshipamerica.org

Education Department Elementary (K-5th) **School Clothing/Supplies and Technology Assistance**

<https://www.osagenation-nsn.gov/what-we-do/education-department/elementary>

Education Department Middle School/Junior High (6-8th) **School Clothing/Supplies and Technology Assistance**

<https://www.osagenation-nsn.gov/what-we-do/education-department/middle-school>

Education Department High School (9-12th) **School Clothing/Supplies and Technology Assistance**

<https://www.osagenation-nsn.gov/what-we-do/education-department/high-school>

Education Department

Physical Address: 102 Buffalo Avenue Hominy, OK 74035

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 250, Hominy, OK 74035

Phone 918-287-5300 Fax 918-287-5567

Financial Assistance Services Program School Clothing + School Supplies + School Technology

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Students (Pre-K thru 12th grade)

- ✦ Student(s) must be a legally enrolled member of the Osage Nation.
- ✦ Student(s) must be enrolled in Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade.
- ✦ Student(s) must be enrolled in a public, home school, private, charter, or boarding school.
- ✦ Student must provide a verification of enrollment that meets the requirements of the Program's Policy or request a verification of enrollment form from the Education Department

Osage youth, Pre-K through 12th Grade, are eligible to receive \$250 for school clothing, supplies, and technology assistance.

Applications are not considered complete until all required documents have been submitted for each student. Complete applications meeting all eligibility requirements will be processed in the order received.

The **2023-2024** academic year application opens on **October 1, 2023**. Applications are to be submitted online up until the deadline of May 1st of each year or until funds are depleted.

THE OSAGE NATION - CONTINUED



OSAGE NATION EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

TUTOR.COM

Tutor.com provides 24-hour access to personalized one-on-one online tutoring in over 250 subject areas.

Osage students who need tutoring assistance are now eligible to receive access to Tutor.com!

ELIGIBILITY

- ★ Complete Application
- ★ Osage Membership Card
- ★ Enrolled in 3rd -12th grade nationwide

**SCAN QR CODE
TO APPLY ONLINE**



FOR MORE INFORMATION

(918) 287-5300 or education@osagenation-nsn.gov

Chelsea Christian - Chelsea.Christian@osagenation-nsn.gov

Lauren Redeagle - Lauren.redeagle@osagenation-nsn.gov

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THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

<https://www.mcn-nsn.gov/services/education-training/higher-education/>

The Department of Higher Education, a program of the Department of Education and Training, administers grants and scholarship programs to enrolled citizens of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. Our purpose is to provide supplemental financial assistance to Creek students pursuing a college level education.

The Higher Education Department encourages a positive student experience and graduation by providing supplemental financial assistance to student-citizens of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation in pursuing an undergraduate or post-graduate degree.

***STUDENTS: if your school information changes while you are on our grants programs, or if you are a returning student, you are REQUIRED to complete an updated "Student Information Update Form".

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Higher Education

P.O. Box 580

Okmulgee, OK 74447

Phone: (918)732-7661 or (800) 482-1979

Fax (918)732-7694

QUAPAW NATION

Quapaw Nation Education Department:

<https://www.quapawtribe.com/100/Education>

Higher Education Guidelines:

<https://www.quapawtribe.com/DocumentCenter/View/6330>

Quapaw Higher Education College Funding Application: <https://www.quapawtribe.com/DocumentCenter/View/10156>

College Planning Timeline: <https://www.quapawtribe.com/DocumentCenter/View/189>

Quapaw Nation School Clothing/Supplies:

<https://www.quapawtribe.com/DocumentCenter/View/7309/K-12-School-Clothing-Application-PDF>

Quapaw Nation Directory: <https://www.quapawtribe.com/Directory.aspx>

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Department of Higher Education Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma

5681 S. 630 Rd.

P.O. Box 765, Quapaw, OK 74363

Phone: 918-542-1853 ext. 0211

Fax: 918-542-4694

Email: kpierce@quapawtribe.com

CHOCTAW NATION

<https://www.choctawnation.com/>

<https://www.choctawnation.com/higher-education-0>

Choctaw Nation College Scholarship You must complete an online application each semester and provide the required documentation to receive assistance. Applications will be processed in the order they are received. Processing time is 6 to 8 weeks from the time the application is submitted. Should your contact information change after completion of the application, the student must contact the Higher Education office to update their record.

Higher Education Department: <https://www.choctawnation.com/higher-education-0>

Student School and Activity Fund:

<https://www.choctawnation.com/student-school-and-activity-fund-ssaf>

The Student School & Activity Fund (SSAF) offers an annual \$100 grant to purchase school supplies and clothing for Choctaw students possessing a tribal membership card.

Students must be enrolled at an accredited school or daycare in order to receive funds. Home school students are eligible to receive the grant. Students must be at least 3 years old at the time an application is submitted. High school seniors cannot apply after their graduation date. If the student is between ages 19 to 21 attending high school additional school enrollment documentation will be required.

Students qualifying for the grant will receive a \$100 pre-paid Visa card. If you need assistance or have questions in regards to your student's Visa card, please call 1-800-486-0292 and follow the automated prompts.

The Student School and Activity Fund application is now available through the Chahta Achvffa Member Portal. If you applied for your dependent's Student School and Activity Fund last year on the Member Portal, simply log in with the email you previously used to create your Member Portal account. If you are having trouble remembering your password, the "Forgot Password" tool will guide you through setting up a new password.

To assist with streamlining the application process, we encourage our Member Portal users to login prior to July 1. This will allow you to verify and update all information for you and your dependent(s). This will help prevent delays in submitting the Student School and Activity Fund application. Member Portal:

<https://chahtaachvffa.choctawnation.com/>

Choctaw Clothing Allowance:

<https://www.choctawnation.com/college-clothing-allowance-program-0>

Need Assistance help@choctawnation.com

Phone: 800-522-6170 or 580-642-6977

Box 1210, Durant, OK 74702-1210 Physical address 1802 Chukka Hina Dr Durant, OK 74701

THE CHICKASAW NATION

Education and Career Links:

<https://www.chickasaw.net/services/higher-education-grants-scholarships-incentives.aspx>

You Provide:

Chickasaw citizenship card

Payment receipts or a copy of pre-payment registration

Completed applications

Eligibility:

Chickasaw citizens

You Provide (Grants & Scholarships):

High school or official college transcript

Schedule of classes

Douglas H. Johnston Building

300 Rosedale Road

Ada, Oklahoma 74820

Phone: 580-421-7711