

HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

This application consists of two pages. **Page 1** is the “**Higher Education Scholarship Application**”. **Page 1** must be completed by you (student). **Do Not Leave Any Item Blank**. If you leave items blank the application will be considered incomplete and will be returned to you for completion. This will delay any award for which you may be eligible. **Page 2** is the “**Student Need Analysis**”. Page 2 must be completed by the financial aid office of the accredited college you are attending. Send both pages to the College Financial Aid Office where they will complete the “Student Need Analysis” and send both pages of the completed application to the Little River Band Education Department. **Applications returned to LRBOI Education Department by the student WILL NOT be accepted. Completed applications MUST be mailed by the Financial Aid Office to the LRBOI Education Department.**

Program Eligibility Requirements

- A. Must be an enrolled tribal member of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.
- B. Must demonstrate financial need as determined by the educational institution’s Financial Aids Department.
- C. Must be enrolled or accepted in an accredited college/ university or an accredited Bureau of Indian Affairs institution of higher learning
- D. Must apply for all other campus-based financial aids assistance, i.e. grants, scholarships, and fellowships.
- E. If attending a Michigan public college or university, must apply for PA 505 Indian Tuition Waiver Program.
- F. Must maintain an accumulative 2.00 or better grade point average, with a one semester probationary period in the event accumulative grade point average drops below 2.00.
- G. Must use awarded funds for educational related costs such as; tuition, books, fees, supplies, room and board.
- H. Must file a Tribal Education Scholarship application with the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. Phone (231) 723-8288
- I. Must submit copies of official grade reports to the Tribe in a timely manner.

Funding Priorities

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Education Committee will utilize the following criteria when ranking the order of funding priority among scholarship applicants:

- A. Enrolled tribal members of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.
- B. Applicants who are living within the state of Michigan.
- C. Applicants attending schools within the state of Michigan.
- D. Applicants attending schools outside the state of Michigan.

Financial Awards:

Awards are based upon recommended need as determined by the college or university financial aid department and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Education Committee. Awards will be issued to the institution’s financial aid department at the beginning of each semester.

Applicant Appeal Process:

An applicant who has been denied funding may file an appeal for reconsideration on his/her behalf. It is to be in writing and addressed to the Tribal Education Programs Coordinator. If the applicant is denied by the Education Committee, he/she will have the option of appealing it to the Tribal Council whose decision on the matter will be final. These Higher Education Guidelines for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians have been adopted by the Tribal Education Committee on August 2, 1996 and have been approved by the Tribal Council on August 5, 1996.



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Students: Complete page 1, submit pages 1 & 2 to Financial Aid Office

Financial Aid Office: Complete Page 2, submit pages 1 & 2 to Little River Band

NAME: Last	First	Middle	Maiden	BIRTHDATE	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____ U.S. Citizen Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Michigan Resident Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Are You in Default on Student Loans: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY: Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> BIA <input type="checkbox"/> Name: _____ Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ STATUS (Circle current status) Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate				Single <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Number of Children: _____ Married <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> New Application <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Application <input type="checkbox"/> Tribe: _____ Enrollment Number: _____ COLLEGE MAJOR: _____ Expected Degree: (circle degree you will earn first) Certificate Associate Bachelor Master PhD Expected Date of Graduation: _____ Full time <input type="checkbox"/> This application is being completed for the following semesters: (circle each that applies) Part time <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Winter Spring Summer Academic Year: _____	

STATEMENT ON PRIVACY

I DECLARE THAT THE INFORMATION GIVEN BY ME ON THIS FORM IS TRUE AND COMPLETE T THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS INFORMATION IS NECESSARY FOR DETERMINING MY ELIGIBILITY AND FOR CERTAIN STATISTICAL RECORDS AS REQUIRED BY THE BIA. I AGREE THAT THIS INFORMATION MAY BE SHARED BY THE BIA, LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS, THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, AND THE COLLEGES INVOLVED. I FURTHER AGREE TO CONTACT THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE AT THE COLLEGE I HAVE CHOSEN AND TO APPLY FOR ANY AND ALL FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE TO ME.

I REQUEST THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE TO NOTIFY THE BIA OF MY FINANCIAL NEED. IF GRANTED ASSISTANCE I WILL USE IT ONLY FOR MY APPROVED EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES. BIA FUNDS AWARDED TO ME MAY BE MAILED TO ME IN CARE OF THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE. IF I WITHDRAW FROM COLLEGE, I WILL RETURN THE PORTION OF THE GRANT COVERING THE BALANCE OF THE TERM FUNDED. I UNDERSTAND THAT I MUST MAKE SATISFACTORY PROGRESS TOWARD MY DEGREE AND THAT I WILL MAINTAIN THE MINIMUM 2.00 GRADE POINT AVERAGE FOR EACH FUNDED TERM. I WILL PROVIDE AN OFFICIAL COPY OF MY GRADE TRANSCRIPT FOR EACH FUNDED TERM.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



STUDENT NEED ANALYSIS

TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCIAL AID OFFICER

Student Name <hr/>	Dependent Independent Yr in College: Fr So Jr Sr Grad New Renewal Probation Suspension Default Degree Number of Credits Taken
Budget Period <hr/>	

EDUCATIONAL BUDGET:

Tuition \$ _____
 Fees \$ _____
 Books & Supplies \$ _____
 Room & Board \$ _____
 Personal Expenses \$ _____
 Other (List) \$ _____

ANTICIPATED STUDENT RESOURCES:

Student Contribution \$ _____
 Parent Contribution \$ _____
 Veteran's Benefits \$ _____

TOTAL STUDENT RESOURCES \$ _____

TOTAL BUDGET \$ _____

FINANCIAL NEED \$ _____

ASSESSED NEED (BUDGET LESS RESOURCES)

We have made the following awards:	FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	TOTAL
Vocational Rehab	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Pell Grant	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Supplemental Ed. Opp. Grant	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
College Work Study	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Loan: Sub (please indicate type)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Loan: Unsub (please indicate type)	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other: _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL AID	\$ _____				
UNMET FINANCIAL NEED:	\$ _____				

(Total need per semester minus total aid for semester)

Signature: _____ Date: _____ FAO Address & Phone: _____