



Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division Red Willow Education Center

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Taos Pueblo's Tribal Scholarship Application

Taos Pueblo funds the scholarship program for Taos Pueblo students enrolled in an accredited college or university. It is the main goal of this program to assist our Taos Pueblo tribal members with the costs associated with pursuing a higher education degree. We are also dedicated to assisting students with any and all aspects of preparing, applying, and navigating through the higher education experience.

Please follow the below steps to apply for Taos Pueblos Tribal Scholarship:

Step 1: Ensure that you meet the following criteria:

- Have a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate
- Be an enrolled Tribal Member of Taos Pueblo
- Be admitted to a college/university
- Pursuing a Certificate, Associates, Bachelors, or Graduate Degree

Step 2: Applications are available on our website at www.taospueblo.com or at the Red Willow Education Center. For questions please call 575-758-5990 or email us at scholarships@taospuebloeducation.com.

Step 3: Complete and sign the Tribal Scholarship Application and submit it along with all required documents below:

- Identification (Tribal ID, State ID, or birth certificate)
- Taos Pueblo Certificate of Indian Blood
- High School Diploma or GED (If recently graduated)
- Unofficial Transcripts/grades (high school or college)
- Letter of Acceptance to a College or University
- FAFSA—Student Aid Report
- Financial Needs Analysis (completed by school)
- Class Schedule/Registration

Full Academic Year: Fall & Spring Semesters – July 12th

Spring Semester Only– December 13th



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Taos Pueblo's Education & Training Division provides various education, employment, and training programs and services to tribal members in Taos County. Please fill out the below information to become a client and depending on your needs further paperwork and documentation will be needed.

Applicant Information

Name (First, MI, Last):			
Date of Birth:		Social Security #:	
E-mail Address:			Male Female
Phone #:		Selective Service #: (if applicable)	

Mailing Address: _____
P.O. Box/Street
City
State
Zip Code

Physical Address: _____
Street Number and Name
City
State
Zip Code

Tribal Affiliation:	Are you a veteran? Yes No
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Below is a general description of available services, please check all services you are interested in:

Employment services
 For participants who are interested in career services and navigation to gain skills, information, or work experience. We can provide an internship, apprenticeship, or on the job training.

Supportive Services
 For individuals that are overcoming personal or environmental hardships that inhibit their access to education, training, or employment services and opportunities. This consists of general assistance, child care assistance, clothing assistance, licensing and exam fees, as well as limited transportation assistance.

Education Services
 For participants who need basic education supports including higher education supports as well as vocational and alternative education support. Tribal scholarships are provided to students enrolled in a higher education institution. Training opportunities can also be provided for those who want to advance their knowledge.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant Information

Name:	Date of Birth:
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Education Information

Please list all High Schools or GED Programs attended:

Name of High School	City and State	Dates of Attendance	Degree Earned

Please list all Colleges/Universities or trade schools attended:

Name of College/ University/Trade School	City and State	Dates of Attendance	Degree Earned

Current Standing: Freshman (1st year) 1-32 credit hours Sophomore (2nd year) 33-64 credit hours
 Junior (3rd year) 65-97 credit hours Senior (4th year) 98 – 128 credit hours
 Graduate 128+ credit hours Post Graduate

Major:	GPA:
Minor:	Expected Graduation Date:



Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division **Tribal Scholarship Program Policies and Procedures**

The Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division Scholarship Program offers scholarship awards to eligible Taos Pueblo Tribal members enrolled in an accredited degree program and are taking at least 6 credit hours per semester. Our awards are based on the financial unmet need (See table below) of each student each semester which is determined by a Financial Needs Analysis form completed by the college or university you are attending.

Unmet Need	Award Amount
\$0 - \$1,999	\$1,000
\$2,000 - \$2,999	\$1,500
\$3,000 - \$3,999	\$2,000
\$4,000 - \$4,999	\$2,500
\$5,000 - \$5,999	\$3,000
\$6,000 - \$6,999	\$3,500
\$7,000 - \$7,999	\$4,000
\$8,000 - \$8,999	\$4,500
\$9,000 - \$9,999	\$5,000

All students are eligible for the Taos Pueblo Tribal Scholarship as long as the above criteria is met and a GPA of 2.0 or better is maintained. Students must also apply for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A complete scholarship application along with all required documentation is needed to process the award. Checks are made payable to your institution and will be added to your student account at the Financial Aid Office.

Each year prior to the fall semester students will be required to complete a new application. As many documents as possible need to be submitted by the deadline, if you have any issues please contact us. We are always willing to assist in any way possible.

For the spring semester, students will need to ensure that all information on file is correct and updated documentation will be requested in order to receive an award for the next semester. If changes occur and you are taking less than 6 credit hours or you withdrawal completely, you **MUST** let us know or you will be suspended for the semester.

Grievance

Scholarship applicants who are dissatisfied with the actions or decisions made by program staff are encouraged to file a grievance in writing to the Education & Training Division Director. The Director will make every effort to resolve the grievance. If the Director is unable to resolve the grievance, a letter can be written to the Chief Operations Officer. The COO will review the letter and the actions taken thus far, and will decide on a solution. If the applicant is dissatisfied with the decision, they can then take their letter to the Governor's Office.

Tuition Waivers

Through the efforts of the New Mexico Tribal Higher Education Commission, the All Pueblo Council of Governors, and in-state public post-secondary educational institutions, a tuition waiver is made available to our office to award based on the individual need of students. Those chosen to receive a tuition waiver that semester is still eligible to receive the Taos Pueblo Tribal Scholarship in the same semester.

Taos Pueblo Tribal Scholarship Agreement

This agreement is made between the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division and the applicant _____.

Applicant Name

The applicant understands and agrees to the following:

- _____ I am responsible for all required documentation and a completed application. Any misrepresentation or falsification, including failure to submit required documents as listed below, is cause for suspension from the Tribal Scholarship Program.
- _____ I understand the scholarship award is based on unmet need as determined by the Financial Needs Analysis completed by the Financial Aid Office at the institution attending.
- _____ I understand I need to submit updated documentation at the end of each semester and that I must complete a new application annually in July.
- _____ I understand I must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or higher each semester and if I do not, I will be given one semester to achieve a 2.0 or higher before being suspended.
- _____ I understand if I withdraw from classes without proper notification to the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division, I may be asked to pay back the award.
- _____ I will seek out other grants and scholarships to fund my educational endeavors.
- _____ I will immediately notify the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division if my contact information (phone number, mailing address, e-mail), enrollment status, credit hours, or the institution I am attending changes.
- _____ I will notify the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division of my graduation date.
- _____ I understand the above policies and procedures and will contact the Education & Training Division if I have questions or concerns.

I hereby certify to the best of my knowledge the information on this application and all documentation I submit is true and accurate and I understand any falsification or misrepresentation will result in denial of the Taos Pueblo Tribal Scholarship award. When this application is approved, I accept and agree to abide by and comply with the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Divisions Tribal Scholarship Program Policies and Procedures.

Applicant Signature

RWEC Staff Signature

Student Consent Form and Privacy Statement

The Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579) effective September 27, 1975 is meant to control the Federal Governments collection and dissemination of personal information about individual citizens. One of the provisions of the Act prohibits the Federal Government from revealing any information from any citizens governmental records without the permission of the person involved. The Privacy Act does not authorize the disclosure of records to any persons acting in their individual capacities or on behalf of their constituents unless the individual to whom the record pertains has consented.

In accordance with the accountability required for the Administration of the Taos Pueblo Scholarship Program funds appropriated for the program and in order to provide services to recipients, and to declare eligibility, certain information is required of the applicants. This form solicits the required information. Use of personal data will be available to authorize sources upon request. The applicant should understand that the intent of collecting and maintaining this data on individuals is for determining eligibility of the applicant and to provide the means for producing certain statistical records required of this office. Failure on the part of the applicant to provide the requested information will preclude the applicant from eligibility on obtaining higher education assistance under this program.

I have read the statement on privacy and hereby provide the required information to the extent of the uses specific to the uses specified in this statement.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (If under 18): _____

Consent for the Release of Confidential Information

I _____ hereby authorize the release of any information
Applicant Name

regarding my educational needs, to/from the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division. I understand that confidentiality will be maintained and that case information will only be released or be obtained when necessary, in the best interest of the applicant. I understand that my records are protected under the federal and specific State confidentiality laws and regulations. I also understand that I may revoke this consent at any time, except to the extent that action has been taken in reliance on it (eg. The provision of treatment upon consent to disclosure to third-party payer or State Funding source) and that in any event this consent expires automatically as described below. I acknowledge that the consent for information to be released was given of my own free will and hereby specifically waive any claim for damage against the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division and agree to hold Taos Pueblo harmless in their review and/or obtaining copies of my records. This is valid for one year from the date below.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (If under 18): _____



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FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS

Name: _____ Students Id# or SS #: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Name of Institute: _____ Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

I hereby give permission to the Taos Pueblo Education & Training Division to receive my Financial Aid information.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

	Fall	Spring	Total
Tuition/Fees			
Room/Board			
Books/Supplies			
Transportation			
Miscellaneous			
Child Care			
Other			
Total Cost of Attendance			

	Fall	Spring	Total
Federal Pell Grant			
DL UG Sub Loan 1			
DL UG Base Unsub Loan			
Scholarship -			
Scholarship -			
Scholarship -			
Total Awards			

Parent Contribution (EFC)			
Students Contribution (EFC)			
Total Contribution			

Total Cost of Attendance	
Total Amount of Awards	-
Total Contributions	-
Unmet Need	=

Please Check all that Apply;

- STUDENT IS ENROLLED IN 12 CREDIT HOURS
- STUDENT IS ENROLLED IN 6 CREDIT HOURS OR MORE
- STUDENT IS SUSPENDED FROM INSTITUTION AID – FAILURE TO MAINTAIN SATISFACTORY PROGRESS
- STUDENT IS IN DEFAULT STATUS ON STUDENT LOANS OR STUDENT AID
- STUDENT IS PLACED ON PROBATION FOR: _____

Financial Aid Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please Print Name: _____ E-Mail Address: _____