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HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS Graduating High School Students

Nome Eskimo Community (NEC) provides scholarship funds to students who pursue secondary education by enrollment in an Associate's or Bachelor's degree program. Scholarships are made available to students enrolled in a Master's Degree program based so long as funds are available.

These scholarship funds are supplemental, therefore, applicants must apply for all other available funding sources that include but are not limited to: state, federal, local and private financial aid as well as utilize student/family resources to contribute to their educational costs. It is the responsibility of the applicant to apply for these other funds. In no case will NEC provide assistance to cover the total financial need.

Funding amounts per term:

Members graduating from high school in Nome	- \$1500.00 per Term / \$750.00 Part time
Members graduating from other high schools in Alaska	- \$1000.00 per Term / \$500.00 Part time
Members graduating out of state	- \$500.00 per term / \$250.00 Part time

Credit Requirements

Full-time students must enroll for a minimum of twelve (12) credits per semester, ten (10) credits per quarter or the number of credits the school requires for full-time status. Part-time students must enroll for a minimum of six (6) credits. Funding for part-time status is limited to tuition, fees & books only. Students who are enrolled for less than six (6) credits will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Should a student receive an Incomplete (I) and/or Deferment (D) during a term, this results in non-compliance of credit requirements. Students must fulfill credit requirements during the term a scholarship was awarded. Should the student complete the required work at a later date, and receive a passing grade, it does not constitute successful completion of the term for which the Incomplete and/or Deferment was received.

Students who withdraw during a term which they received a scholarship for must provide written documentation stating the reason for withdrawal. If the student does not notify Nome Eskimo Community they are ineligible to reapply until successful completion of a term with other resources. If the withdrawal is due to circumstances determined to be justifiable (i.e.: medical, death in family), the student may be placed on probationary status for the upcoming term. If the student withdrew for reasons determined non-justifiable, they are ineligible to reapply until successful completion of a term with other resources (i.e.: attendance problems or not completing assignments).

Grade Requirements

Students must have graduated/will graduate from high school with at least a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) preceding the term for which the student is requesting funding.



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Continued Funding

Once an application is approved and the student establishes "continuing student" status, the student becomes eligible to apply for continuing scholarships until they obtain a degree, so long as academic progress and good standing is maintained by meeting credit and GPA requirements.

Probation

If a student does not fulfill minimum GPA and/or credit requirements, they will be placed on probationary status for the upcoming term and receive \$500.00 less for that semester they are on probation. Should the student fail to meet minimum requirements upon completion of the probationary term, they will be suspended from the program. Upon suspension, the student is ineligible to reapply for further scholarships until successful completion of a term with other resources. Upon reinstatement of services, the student must maintain academic progress by meeting credit and GPA requirements, or services may be terminated.

Eligibility Criteria

- 1) Tribal member of Nome Eskimo Community. Those enrolled to any other federally recognized Tribe must apply with their Tribe.
- 2) Accepted into a degree program at a nationally-recognized accredited institution.
- 3) Applicant must demonstrate a financial need after other financial resources are obtained.

Application Deadlines

- Fall Semester/Autumn Quarter..... May 15

Applications are not complete until all required documents are received. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all required documents are submitted and received. Tribal Services staff adheres to the application deadlines in place. Applications received after the deadline may be processed if time and funds permit.

Application Requirements (Applicants Must Submit the Following Documents)

- 1) Complete Higher Education Application for High School Students.
- 2) Official High School transcripts.
- 3) High School Diploma/General Education Diploma certificate.
- 4) Letter from applicant stating: school student will be attending, term(s), class standing, major area of study, projected graduation date and personal goals.
- 5) Admissions letter that reflects the degree program the applicant was accepted in by the school.
- 6) Class registration.
- 7) Two (2) letters of recommendation.
- 8) Current photograph of applicant.
- 9) Contact information for next of kin (name, address, and phone number).

Upon meeting "continuing student" status, students are required to submit a "Continuing Education Application" with a current registration of classes for the upcoming term and official transcripts within two weeks once grades are posted.



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Graduating High School Students EDUCATION INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____ SSN: _____ DOB: _____

High School you will be graduating from:

School Name: _____
 P.O. Box, City, State, Zip Code: _____
 Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Type of Education: _____ Dates Attended: _____
 Graduation Date: _____

College You Plan to Attend: (The physical address of where the scholarship check will be sent)

College Name: _____
 Address, City, State, Zip Code: _____
 Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Major Field of Study or Emphasis: _____
 Type of Degree or Certificate pursuing: AA / AS BA / BS MA / MS Other: _____
 Type of Term this College operates on: Quarter Trimester Semester Other: _____
 Term you are Applying for: Fall _____ Spring _____ Summer _____ Other _____
 Start Date of Term: _____ Completion Date of Term: _____ Number of Credits Enrolled: _____
 Projected Graduation Date for degree: _____

Please make sure you put both your permanent mailing address and your mailing address while at school.

Your Mailing Address During School (if available):	Your Permanent Mailing Address:
Telephone:	Telephone:
Fax:	Fax:
E-mail:	E-mail:



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STUDENT BUDGET

Applicant Name: _____ SSN: _____

List each source of federal or state financial aid applied for this term:	Received	Denied	Pending	Date Received	Amount
					\$
					\$
					\$
					\$

List each scholarship applied for this term:	Received	Denied	Pending	Date Received	Amount
					\$
					\$
					\$
					\$

FORM INSTRUCTIONS

1. List all financial aid that you applied for in the first set of boxes. Update staff on any pending aid you receive after this budget is submitted.
2. List all scholarships you applied for in the second set of boxes. Update staff on any pending scholarships you received after this budget is submitted.
3. Calculate the totals for student funds and costs to determine unmet need.

Please contact the Tribal Services staff if you have any questions concerning the student budget form.

By signing below, you certify that the information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge and you agree to update the Tribal Services staff on any pending amounts documented on your Student Budget after submission.

Total Aid and Scholarships	\$
Student Contributions	\$
Parents or Spouse Contribution	\$
TOTAL STUDENT FUNDS	\$

School Related Costs for this Term:

Tuition	\$
Books	\$
Fees	\$
Supplies	\$
Room	\$
Meals	\$
Transportation	\$
Other	\$
TOTAL COSTS	\$

TOTAL UNMET NEED FOR STUDENT	\$
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Signature: _____ Date: _____



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AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby authorize the **Nome Eskimo Community (NEC) Tribal Services Program** to obtain information from the following, but not limited to: education transcripts, class schedules/student registration, billing information, academic status or other pertinent student information. I understand that this information will be used solely for the administration of the NEC Tribal Services Program and will not be released to any other person or agency outside NEC. I understand that copies of this authorization will be as valid as the original and that this authorization will be valid for one year from the signature date.

I understand that as needed, the space below will be utilized to submit written requests of verification from the appropriate business to process my application and complete a determination, and prior to NEC Tribal Services requesting verification I will be contacted and notified of what type of verification will be requested; however, if efforts to contact me are unsuccessful, the request will be made to expedite the processing of my application determination and staff will continue efforts to contact me until I am notified.

 Printed Name

 Social Security Number

 Signature

 Date

