

# Tanana Chiefs Conference Higher Education and Adult Vocational Training Grants

## **Education Department**

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## Purpose

The purpose of the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) Higher Education Grant (HE) and Adult Vocational Training (AVT) programs is to provide financial assistance to eligible tribal members who are enrolled to an accredited university or institution; and who can demonstrate financial need. The funding is supplemental. Applicants are required to apply for all available state, federal and private financial aid; and utilize all available student and family resources.

## **Application Deadlines**

• April 30

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- Academic year
- November 15 Spring deadline
- March 15 Summer deadline (needs justification)

## **Submission Requirement**

It is the student's responsibility to contact Tanana Chiefs Conference to ensure his/her file is complete and submitted or postmarked by the appropriate deadline. Applications need original signature. **TCC does not accept faxed applications.** 

## **Check List of REQUIRED documents**

- □ TCC application packet with all fields completed. Students must maintain full or part-time status, as selected.
- □ Complete the FAFSA (website: www.fafsa.gov)
- □ Official Transcripts
- □ Copy of Diploma/GED or High School transcript
- □ Acceptance Letter from your HE or AVT Institution
- □ Tribal Enrollment Card (or a verification of Alaska Native Ancestry)
- $\Box$  Two letters of recommendation
- □ Statement of purpose (typed, if possible)
- □ Class Schedule
- □ Completed Budget Forecast/Need Sheet provided by institution

## Higher Education/AVT - Tribes covered

TCC provides higher education funding consideration to tribal members enrolled to:

- Birch Creek
  - Circle
  - Huslia
  - Minto
  - Nenana
  - Takotna
  - Tetlin
  - At-Large Shareholders of Doyon Limited (Class B)

- Tribal members residing in Fairbanks (AVT only).
- Graduate students should contact the American Indian Graduate Center (<u>www.aigc.com</u>) - TCC has no funding for graduate studies.

## **Academic Requirements**

- A 2.0 GPA (grade point average) must be maintained.
- Not meeting a 2.0 will result in Academic Probation.
- Academically disqualified students will not be funded.

## **Official Grade Transcripts**

Provide one of the following that applies to your current application:

- An official copy of your high school transcripts, or General Education Diploma (GED) scores, if you are an entering college freshman/new AVT student; or
- Most recent copy of college transcript

## Eligibility

To be eligible for a higher education grant or AVT funding, an applicant must be:

- An enrolled tribal member or one-fourth (1/4) or more degree Native blood.
- An enrolled member of a tribe, or an at-large member of Doyon (Class B).
- In financial need as determined by the college or institution.
- Eligibility shall be determined by the Education Department.
- AVT students must be designated as full-time

## **Notifications and Payment of Awards**

TCC's education staff will notify applicants in writing as to the approval or disapproval of their application. Notifications to applicants of approved applications will specify the amount of individual awards; or reason for denial.

For Higher Education students: Full time students (12+ credits) will receive \$2,000.00 Part time students (6-11 credits) will receive \$1,000.00

AVT funding varies according to program and need.

Payment/awards will be sent to the financial aid office of the institution that the student will be attending.



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# Application for Service

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Which service are you applying for (mark one):

□ Higher Education

□ Adult Vocational Training

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION**

Name: (First)		(Middle)	)	(Last)					III, Jr., Sr	
Maiden Name or other name	es used:		Social Security Number	r:	Date of Birth (mm			/dd/yyyy):		
Mailing Address:			City:	City: State:			State:		Zip:	
Physical Address:			City:	: State: Zip:					Zip:	
Home Phone:		Message	e Phone:	Email address:						
Sex: □ Female □ Male	Regional Co	orporatio	tion: Are you an "At-Large" (Class B) shareholder of Doy Yes No					older of Doyon Limited?		
Are you 18 years of age, or older, and still living with your parents, or guardi their previous income tax return?  Yes No				ans AND clain	ned on	Have you moved into the TCC Region within the last 30 da				vithin the last 30 days?
Are you a member of a federally recognized tribe? Yes No If "Yes" what tribe? (Often referred to as "Native Village of"):							Veteran: □ Yes (da	te of disch	arge:	) 🗆 No
Permanent Contact Provide the following inform	nation on an i	individual	who does not live with y	you, but who	knows how	to conta	act you if yo	ou move.		
Contact Name: Phone: Email address:										
Mailing Address:					Rela	ition to y	ion to you:			

## **Educational Background**

High School Attended:		Highest Grade Finished in	High School:	□9 <sup>th</sup>		10 <sup>th</sup>	□11 <sup>th</sup>	□12	th
Last Year Attended School:	Date of (	Graduation:	Did you earn	a GED?	□ Yes	□ No	Date rec	eived	GED:
College(s)/Vocational Schools Attended:	Mailing	Address:				Dates Att	ended:		Credits Earned:
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### **Currently Employed**

□ Yes □ No

Employer/Company Name:		Phone number:		
Company Address:	City:		State:	Zip Code:

Date received by TCC:

Hourly Employee?	□ Yes	□ No	# hours per:	_ □ per day / □ per week	Hourly wage:		Employed since:
Salaried Employee?	□ Yes	□ No	# hours:	Are your hours: 🗆 bi-weekly	□ per month	Gross p	bay per pay period:

## Higher Education or Adult Vocational Training Information

(If you are applying for Adult Vocational Training funding, you must also complete "Dependents" section)

HIGHER EDUCATION Applicants Only Undergraduate status during academic year (check one):	reshman 🗆 Sophomore	e 🗆 Juni	or 🗆 Senior	ADULT VOCA		INING Applicants Only econd year
Name of School you will be attending:			Type of Schoo	ol:		
			□ University	🗆 Communi	ty College	$\Box$ Vocational
Mailing Address:						
Student Status during Grant/Scholarship period:		School	Calendar Year:			
Full-time (12+ credit hours) Part-time (6-11 credits)	$\Box$ other	□ Sem	ester based	Trimester	🗌 Quart	ter 🗌 Other
Academic Year for which this application applies: 20	to 20		attendance for t ning: (mm/yy) _			
Field of study or training:	Degree being sought (C	ertificate,	, Associates, BA,	BS, etc.):	Estimated o	date of graduation:
While in school, you will live:  On campus  With pare	nt/guardian 🗌 ren	t 🗆	] other:			

## FOR ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING APPLICANTS ONLY

#### Dependents (list all people who live in your home, use back of this form if you need more space)

First Name	Last Name	Relationship to you	Birth Date	Sex Male (M) Female (F)	Disabled Y or N	Veteran Y or N	Member of Federally Rec Tribe Y or N	Tribal Affiliation (see code below)	

Tribal Affiliation: Alatna (ALA), Allakaket (ALL), Anderson (AND), Anvik (ANV), Arctic Village (ARC), Beaver (BEA), Birch Creek (BIR), Canyon Village (CAN), Central (CEN), Chalkyitsik (CHA), Circle (CIR), Dot Lake (DOT), Eagle (EAG), Evansville (EVA), Fort Yukon (FOR), Galena (GAL), Grayling (GRA), Healy Lake (HEA), Holy Cross (HOL), Hughes (HUG), Huslia (HUS), Kaltag (KAL), Koy ukuk (KOY), Lake Michumina (LAK), Manley Hot Springs (MAN), McGrath (MCG), Medfra (MED), Minto (MIN), Nenana (NEN), Nikolai (NIK), Northway (NOR), Nulato (NUL), Other (OTH), Rampart (RAM), Ruby (RUB), Shageluk (SHA), Stevens Village (STE), Takotna (TAK), Tanana (TAN), Tanacross (TAC), Telida (TEL), Venetie (VEN)

#### AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby authorize the TCC Education Department to release the following information for educational opportunities and to announce my graduation for publications (*select all that apply*):

🗆 Name

e 🛛 🗆 Degree Sought

□ Contact Information

□ Photo (if available)

#### CERTIFICATION

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information on this application is accurate and true. I understand that the information is subject to verification. I further certify that any funds received under the TCC Education Department, will be used solely for expenses related to my attendance at the institution listed on this application.

Legal Signature of Applicant

Date

# **Statement of Purpose**

**NEW APPLICANTS:** Describe your personal history, a summary of accomplishments and a description of your educational and career goals. **Explain how you intend to use your education to contribute to your tribe.** 

<b>RETURNING STUDENTS*</b> : Update your educational and career goals. What new information do you have about your care goals?	er and educational
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\*Continuing undergraduate applicants who meet the academic requirements will be funded first, with priority given to juniors and seniors.

## **Medical Coverage While in School**

- Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) will not be responsible for any medical bills incurred by applicants in the Adult Vocational Training (AVT) Program or TCC Higher Education (HE) Program or persons currently receiving financial assistance under any of these programs.
- 2. Any applicant who wishes to attend a college/university, vocational, technical or trade school outside of Alaska should have the protection of a Medical Surgical insurance policy with a bona fide company. If a student plans to utilize a health insurance policy through a college/university or vocational /technical or trade school, he/she must insure that the cost is included in the financial need analysis.
- 3. If the applicant does not subscribe with an individual insurance company, he/she should apply to Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center for a Student Medical Packet by contacting: CAIHC Purchase Referred Care, ATTN: Rachel Wood, 1638 Cowles Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, 1-800-478-7822. If you are a full-time student in a vocational, technical, or academic program, you may be eligible for purchase referred care health services while you are in school (including normal school breaks) and up to 180 days after completion of your course of study.

### Privacy Act Notice (PL 93-579)

The U.S. Congress has passed a law that states every federal agency maintaining records about people to inform each person, from whom information is obtained, about the nature and purpose of the record. This includes employment and vocational training records maintained by the Tanana Chiefs Conference Education Assistance Office since we have a contract with the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The purpose of the forms and questions asked of you is to enable us to organize, staff and provide comprehensive employment and vocational training services to the people we serve. In most instances you may choose not to answer the questions if you so desire, without risk to your rights and entitlements. However, by giving the information requested of you, we will be able to carry out our responsibilities to you more effectively, and render better services.

Information provided by you is held in confidence, and is only made available to other employees and other related agencies that have a need to now in the performance of their duties. In addition, certain data may be provided to local, state, federal and other health and welfare facilities and agencies on a need-to-know basis for continuation of services, to provide for a proper evaluation of your case file and for reporting as required by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Data may also be made available to approved accreditation agencies and performance standard review organizations for evaluation of our system; to authorized research personnel with an approved research protocol when no personal identification is included, and to the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agencies.

I certify that I understand the authority by which information is asked of me, and the purpose and uses to which that information will be put, and that providing any information is voluntary on my part.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Name of Applicant (Print)