

# Tanana Chiefs Conference

## Higher Education and Adult Vocational Training Grants

### Education & Indigenous Learning Program

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### Purpose

The purpose of the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) Higher Education (HE) and Adult Vocational Training (AVT) scholarships are to provide supplemental financial assistance to eligible tribal members who are in a degree seeking program at an accredited university or institution. Applicants are expected to apply for all available state, federal and private financial aid; and utilize all available student and family resources.

### Application Deadlines

- **April 30** Academic year (beginning in the fall)
- **November 15** Spring deadline
- **March 15** Summer deadline (needs justification)

### Submission Requirement

**It is the student's responsibility to contact TCC to ensure his/her file is complete** and submitted by the appropriate deadline. Applications need an original signature. **Emailed or mailed applications preferred.**

### Check List of REQUIRED documents

- ☐ TCC application with **all fields and sections completed.**
- ☐ Official Transcripts
- ☐ Official Acceptance Letter (from institution)
- ☐ Tribal Enrollment Card (or verification of Alaska Native Ancestry)
- ☐ Class Schedule (for the semester to be funded)
- ☐ Completed Budget Forecast/Need Sheet provided by institution and copy of proof of filing of the FAFSA
- ☐ Signed FERPA release form for your institution

### TRIBES SERVED

TCC provides **higher education and adult vocational training** funding consideration (regardless of residency) to tribal members enrolled to:

- Birch Creek
- Huslia
- Minto
- Tetlin

To be eligible for **higher education** funding an applicant must provide verification of enrollment in one of the above tribes.

### ALL OTHER TRIBES

### Adult Vocational Training (AVT)

TCC provides **adult vocational training** funding consideration

to other tribal members who:

- Are enrolled in a federally recognized tribe, **or** who are an at-Large Shareholder of Doyon Limited (Class B), **and**
- are currently residing in Fairbanks.

### Adult Vocational Training Eligibility

Applicant must provide:

- verification of enrollment in a federally recognized tribe, **or** a copy of their BIA Certificate of Indian Blood Card (CIBC), **or** proof of "At-Large" (Class B) membership in Doyon.

Eligibility shall be determined by the Education & Indigenous Learning Department.

### ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

- Maintain GPA (grade point average) of 2.0 or greater.
- Students must maintain full or part-time status, as indicated on their application. Any status changes during the semester must be reported to TCC Education staff as soon as there is a change.

Not meeting a 2.0 will result in Academic Probation. Academically disqualified students will not be funded.

### Official Transcripts

If this is your first time enrolled in college or vocational training, an official copy of your **high school** transcripts must be provided.

If you have taken classes in the past, please provide **an official transcript** from the institution you attended.

Eligibility shall be determined by the Education & Indigenous Learning Department.

### Notifications and Payment of Awards

TCC's Education & Indigenous Learning staff will notify applicants in writing as to the approval or denial of their application. The notification will specify the funding award amount or the reason for denial.

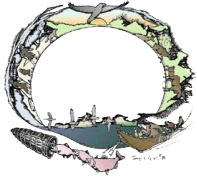
For Higher Education students:

Full-time students (12+ credits) will receive \$2,000.

Part time students (less than 12 credits) will receive \$1,000.

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

### Education & Indigenous Learning Program

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Email: Education\_Dept@tananachiefs.org

Date received by TCC:

Which service are you applying for (mark one):

☐ Higher Education

☐ Adult Vocational Training (AVT)

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	III, Jr., Sr...
Maiden Name or other names used:	Social Security Number:	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy):	
Mailing/Permanent Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Address while attending schooling:	City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Message Phone:	Email address:	
Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	Regional Corporation:	Are you an "At-Large" (Class B) shareholder of Doyon Limited? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Veteran: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (date of discharge: _____) <input type="checkbox"/> No		Have you moved into the TCC Region within the last 30 days? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
What federally recognized tribe are you a member of? (Often referred to as "Native Village of _"):			

### Permanent Contact

Provide the following information on an individual **WHO DOES NOT LIVE WITH YOU**, but who knows how to contact you if you move.

Contact Name:	Phone:	Email address:
Mailing Address:	Relation to you:	

### Educational Background

High School Attended:	Date of Graduation:	Did you earn a GED? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		Date GED received:	
College(s)/Vocational Schools Attended:	Mailing Address:	Dates Attended:	Credits Earned:
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Currently Employed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," do you work full time or part time? ☐ Full time ☐ Part time

### College, University or Vocational Training Center Information

<b>HIGHER EDUCATION Applicants Only</b> Undergraduate status during academic year (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior		<b>ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING Applicants Only</b> <input type="checkbox"/> First year <input type="checkbox"/> Second year	
Name of School you will be attending:		Type of School: <input type="checkbox"/> University <input type="checkbox"/> Community College <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational <input type="checkbox"/> Online Program	
School/Institution's Mailing Address:			
Student Status during Grant/Scholarship period: <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time (12+ credit hours) <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time (6-11 credits) <input type="checkbox"/> Other		School Calendar Year: <input type="checkbox"/> Semester based <input type="checkbox"/> Trimester <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Academic Year for which this application applies: 20_____ to 20_____		Dates of attendance for this application: Beginning: (mm/yy) _____ To: _____	
Field of study or training:		Degree being sought (Certificate, Associates, BA, BS, etc.):	
		Estimated date of graduation:	
While in school, where you will live: <input type="checkbox"/> on campus <input type="checkbox"/> with parent/guardian <input type="checkbox"/> rent <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____			

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE - REQUIRED

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 community.**

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**FOR ALL APPLICANTS:**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

I hereby authorize the TCC Education & Indigenous Learning program to release the following information (*select all that apply*):

- ☐ Name      ☐ 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 from TCC will be used solely for expenses related to my attendance at the institution listed on this application.

**Legal Signature of Applicant**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Medical Coverage While in School

1. 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 by 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 legitimate company. If a student plans to utilize a health insurance policy through a college/university or vocational /technical or trade school, he/she must ensure 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, 1638 Cowles Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, 1-800-770-8251, ext. 3613. If you are a full-time student in a vocational, technical, or academic program, you may be eligible for purchase and 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.

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

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579) grants you specific rights regarding your personal information held by the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) Education & Indigenous Learning program.

Under the Privacy Act of 1974, you have the right to:

- Be informed about the nature and purpose of records collected about you by TCC's Education & Indigenous Learning program for use in scholarship determination.
- Access and review your records maintained by TCC.
- Request corrections to any inaccurate or incomplete information in your records.
- Understand that providing information is voluntary in most cases but may affect the services TCC can provide.
- Know that your information is confidential and only shared with authorized personnel on a need-to-know basis.
- Be aware that your data may be used for research, evaluation, or law enforcement purposes, but only under specific conditions.
- Refuse to provide information without risking your rights and entitlements in most instances.

By submitting information for TCC scholarship funding, you acknowledge these rights and consent to the collection and use of your data as described.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

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Name of Applicant (Print)

The following page is the UAF FERPA release form. Only complete this if you are, or will be, attending the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

If you are attending a different institution, please obtain a FERPA form from your institute and submit it to release information to:

Blanche Murphy, Education Coordinator, Tanana Chiefs Conference ([blanche.murphy@tananachiefs.org](mailto:blanche.murphy@tananachiefs.org)), 907-452-8251, ext. 3185

Stephanie Hinz, Education & Indigenous Learning Manager, Tanana Chiefs Conference ([stephanie.hinz@tananachiefs.org](mailto:stephanie.hinz@tananachiefs.org)), 907-452-8251, ext. 3447

(January 2025)



# FERPA RELEASE FORM

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Office of the Registrar  
907-474-6300  
uaf-registrar@alaska.edu

Office of the Bursar  
907-474-7384  
uaf-bursar@alaska.edu

Office of Financial Aid  
907-474-7256  
uaf-financialaid@alaska.edu

**Government issued picture ID is required with this form.**  
If mailed or faxed, an enlarged copy of your official ID with a signature is required.

## Student Information

Last	First	Middle Initial	UA ID No.
Mailing Address			Phone No.
City	State	Zip	Email Address

I give permission to the University of Alaska Fairbanks to **discuss** the selected items below to the recipient(s) listed below. While this form allows UAF to discuss my record, I understand that it does not **require** them to do so, nor does it allow anyone to conduct business or to pick up official documents (i.e. transcript, diploma) on my behalf. FERPA Release requests do not automatically expire. To cancel it submit a FERPA Release form and use the Cancel Release option.

## Types of Information to Release

- ☒ **Accounting** Includes tuition and fee balances, financial holds, mailing and billing address, payment plans, accounting statements and collections and debt information.
- ☒ **Admission** Includes dates of application, programs selected, documents received, documents pending, dates of admission, admission status and conditions of admission.
- ☒ **Registration** Includes current enrollment, dates of enrollment activity, enrollment status, residency status, semesters attended and mailing address information.
- ☒ **Academic Records** Includes courses taken, grades received, GPA, academic progress, honors, transfer credit awarded and degree(s) awarded.
- ☐ **Financial Aid** Includes all general financial aid information. (Information derived from a student's FAFSA application cannot be disclosed to anyone other than the student.)
- ☐ **All Records**

Check One:

☒ Release To ☐ Cancel

Releasee:

Blanche Murphy, Education Coordinator, Tanana Chiefs Conference  
Individual's Name

Relationship:

Scholarship Coordinator  
Relationship to Student

☒ Release To ☐ Cancel

Stephanie Hinz, Education Manager, Tanana Chiefs Conference  
Individual's Name

Scholarship Manager  
Relationship to Student

☐ Release To ☐ Cancel

Individual's Name

Relationship to Student

## Authorization

Student Signature

Date

Office use only

ID Type \_\_\_\_\_ Verified By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# General Information

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) deals specifically with the education records of students, affording them certain rights with respect to those records. For purposes of definition, education records are those records which are

- 1) directly related to a student and
- 2) maintained by an institution or a party acting for the institution.

FERPA gives students who reach the age of 18, or who attend a postsecondary institution, the right to inspect and review their own education records. Furthermore, students have other rights including the right to request amendment of records and to have some control over the disclosure of personally identifiable information from these records.

FERPA applies to all educational agencies and institutions that receive funding under most programs administered by the Secretary of Education (34 C.F.R. 99.1). Almost all postsecondary institutions, both public and private, generally receive such funding and must, therefore, comply with FERPA.

Under FERPA, students are given three primary rights. They have the right to: inspect and review their education records; have some control over the disclosure of information from their education records; and seek to amend incorrect education records.

## Electing FERPA Confidentiality

The university may release certain directory information to the public on a routine basis unless a student requests, in writing, that the university not release it. Requests for non-disclosure remain in effect until a subsequent written request to release directory information is received.

Students who request non-disclosure of directory information

- \* Will not have name printed in the published university chancellor's and dean's lists or commencement program.
- \* Will not have attendance and/or degree verified for employers, insurance companies, etc.
- \* Will only be able to discuss their UA Accounts in person with photo ID.

### \*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*

If you choose to elect the "confidentiality" option for your educational records, information for you will be withheld from a variety of sources, including: you - the student. This also includes friends, relatives, prospective employers, and the news media. Each student is advised to carefully consider the consequences of a decision to elect "confidentiality". Once elected the University cannot acknowledge the existence of, or release information about, the record of any student who has elected confidentiality. (You can change this election at any time -- see How to Elect FERPA Confidentiality at UAOnline.) No information or services will be available to you via telephone if you have elected the confidentiality option. Your only options for conducting business transactions with the University would be in person, after presenting a valid photo ID, or through secure login on UA systems.