

Native Village of Ruby

COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Must be postmarked on or before June 15th of every year
Full-time students only (funding varies each year)

Applicants applying for the Ruby Tribal Council Scholarship must be full-time students attending an accredited institution. Students must re-apply each year. If full-time status is not met for any reason during the funding year, the scholarship will be terminated. Faxes will not be accepted. It is recommended that applications be hand-delivered or sent through certified mail with a return receipt to obtain delivery confirmation for the application. Every portion of the application must **be postmarked on or before June 15th**.

An independent scholarship committee reviews each application packet and scores the following areas: personal essay (40 points possible), grade point average (40 points possible), letters of recommendation (30 points possible), and personal impression (10 points possible).

APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING BY JUNE 15th:

- ☐ **Complete one-page application form**
- ☐ **Financial Aid Package/Need Sheet/Budget Forecast:** A copy of your Need Sheet/Budget Forecast must be requested directly from your Financial Aid Office. They will send you the form, you must include it and submit it with this application. Note: this is required for a complete application.
- ☐ **Proof of Enrollment:** This includes a copy of letter of acceptance, enrollment verification letter, or current semester course registration form from the school the student will be attending.
- ☐ **Official Transcripts:** Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted. Students new to higher education must submit official high school transcripts or a copy of his/her GED scores. Students returning to higher education must submit their most recent official university, college or vocational school transcripts. Each student's GPA will be scored for a total of 40 possible points. For example, a GPA of 3.2 equals 32 points.
- ☐ **Personal Essay:** The essay needs to focus on four topics, which will be scored up to ten points for a total score of 40 possible points. The four topics include:
1) educational goals, 2) professional goals, 3) extra- curricular and community service activities or volunteerism and 4) cultural awareness and contributions to a healthy Native community. Essays should be limited to two pages, double-spaced in a 12 pt font. Students should outline how they intend to achieve their goals and focus on their strengths. Returning students should not submit a copy of their previously submitted essay but rather revise their original essay to incorporate current events, achievements and growth experiences. Proofread and run spell-check!
- ☐ **Two Professional Letters of Recommendation:** The letters of recommendation should come from individuals who can attest to the student's academic abilities, professional and educational development, community involvement or cultural activities. Recommendation letters must be current and include date and are limited to two pages, submitted directly by the author to Ruby Tribal Council, Attn: Education Director, P.O. Box 210, Ruby, AK, 99768. Recommendation letters must be written on letterhead, include author's contact information, and have an original signature. Letters of recommendation from immediate family members will not be accepted. The letters of recommendation are worth total of 30 possible points.

The personal impression for the overall application packet will be scored for a total of 10 possible points. Tips to maximize personal impression points: type the application form; do not include pictures, folders, resumes or cover letters with the application; include a well-rounded essay and letters of recommendation addressing all the focus points; and ensure the professional quality of all submitted materials.

Students funded in the fall semester must reapply for the spring semester by 5 P.M., November 15th.
Students can reapply by submitting the one-page application.

Native Village of Ruby BASIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Must be postmarked on or before the following deadlines every year:

June 15 – Fall deadline
November 15 – Spring deadline
February 15 – Summer deadline

Applicants applying for the Ruby Tribal Council Basic Scholarship may be attending school either part-time or full-time.

Full-time Award: \$350
Part-time Award: \$175

Basic scholarships are awarded on a semester basis.

Applicants must submit:

- ☐ **A complete application form.**
- ☐ **Proof of enrollment:** (i.e., copy of letter of acceptance, enrollment verification letter, or current semester course registration form) from the school he/she will be attending.
- ☐ **Official transcripts** (unofficial transcripts will not be accepted): incoming first-year students must submit high school transcripts or a copy of his/her GED scores. Students who have attended at least one term of college must submit their recent college transcripts.
- ☐ **Need Sheet/Budget Forecast/Financial Aid Package:** this is required and must be submitted with your application. You can request a "Need Sheet" or "Budget Forecast" from your school's Financial Aid Office. Please consider the time it may take to get this sent to you from your school when planning to submit your application by the relevant deadline.

Undergraduate students are those enrolled in a four-year minimum bachelor's degree program. Undergraduate students may apply for the June 15th (fall), November 15th (spring) and February 15th (summer) deadlines.

Graduate students are those enrolled in any degree program upon completion of their bachelor's degree (i.e., Master's, JD, MD, PhD, etc.). Graduate students may apply for the June 15th (fall), November 15th (spring) and February 15th (summer) deadlines.

Students funded in the fall semester **must reapply** for the spring semester by 5 P.M., November 15th. Students can reapply by submitting the one-page application.

Any student attending summer school may apply for an additional semester of funding for the basic scholarship.

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I am a: <input type="checkbox"/> New Student <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Student					
I am applying for the: <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Scholarship <input type="checkbox"/> Basic Scholarship as a: <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time Student or <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time Student					
Deadline: <input type="checkbox"/> (Fall) June 15, 20____ <input type="checkbox"/> (Summer) February 15, 20____ <input type="checkbox"/> (Spring) November 15, 20____					
Name:		SSN:		Date of Birth:	
Current Mailing Address:		E-mail Address:			
		Current Phone Number:			
Regional Native Corporation Enrolled to (e.g. Doyon):		Village Corporation (e.g. Dineega):			
Name of University/School:		University/School Phone Number:			
Complete Financial Aid Office Address:					
Have you attended any school since high school? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (send official high school transcripts) <i>If yes, please list your latest school attended after high school and include official transcripts with application:</i> Institute Name: _____ Years Attended: _____ Certificate or Degree sought: _____					
Current Cumulative Grade Point Average (send official transcripts):			Expected date of graduation from current degree program (mm/yyyy):		
Undergraduate Applicants (those pursuing degrees such as B.A., B.S., B.B.A., B.F.A, etc.)					
Field(s) of Study/Degree Program(s):			I am a: <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time Student (12+ credit hours) <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time Student (6-12 credit hours)		
Number of credit hours you are or will register for:		Class Standing (Fr., So., Jr., Sr.)		Expected Degree:	
Graduate Applicants (those pursuing a master's such as M.A. or M.S. or M.Ed., or J.D., M.D., PhD, ED, etc.)					
Field(s) of Study/Degree Program(s):			I am a: <input type="checkbox"/> Full-time Student <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time Student		
Number of credit hours you are or will register for:		Year in Program (e.g. year 1 of 3):		Expected Degree:	

I hereby attest the information contained in this application is true, correct, and complete, and I have read and understood the scholarship guidelines. I also understand I must re-apply for each funding period, and I acknowledge it is my responsibility to contact the Ruby Tribal Council to ensure my file is complete by the appropriate deadline.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit to: Ruby Tribal Council, Attn: Education Director, P.O. Box 210, Ruby, AK, 99768