

BRIDGEPORT INDIAN COLONY

Educational Assistance Program

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I. EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Tribal Council of the Bridgeport Indian Colony provides financial assistance to tribal members seeking to complete a post secondary education.

Policy History

On January 31, 2012, the Bridgeport Indian Colony Tribal Council amended the above Part I to bring it current with practice. See Minute Order M12-11.

II. APPLICATION DEADLINES

Tribal members should submit their completed application and supporting documents for financial assistance prior to the start of the semester or quarter they are attending. Late or incomplete submission of all documents and forms required may lead to a delay in the issuance or denial of financial assistance.

Policy History

On January 31, 2012, the Bridgeport Indian Colony Tribal Council amended the above Part II to bring it current with practice. See Minute Order M12-11.

III. AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE

The maximum annual funding a tribal member may receive as a Full-Time student is Four Thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) per year.

The maximum annual funding a tribal member may receive as a Part-Time student is Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) per year.

The amount of financial assistance depends on the number of semester (or quarter) units maintained and completed by a tribal member. The Tribal Council is aware that the last day to drop classes may occur after the Tribal Council has approved and paid, for example, financial assistance for Full-Time Enrollment status, however, the Reimbursement Requirement of this Program would require tribal members to reimburse the Tribe any funding given them if they did not maintain at least a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) or if they dropped classes from Full-Time Enrollment to Part-Time Enrollment.

- A. Full-Time Semester Enrollment. A tribal member who enrolls in and completes in a semester twelve (12) or more units is a Full-Time student and if in

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compliance with this program is entitled to two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) in financial assistance.

- B. Part-Time Semester Enrollment. A tribal member who enrolls in and completes in a semester six (6) or more units is a Part-Time student and if in compliance with this program is entitled to one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) in financial assistance.
- C. Quarter Enrollment. A tribal member who enrolls in a college or university who is on the quarter system (three quarters in a school year versus two semesters in a school year), receives one-third (1/3) of a maximum annual funding each quarter. For example, a Part-Time enrolled student on the quarter system would receive Six Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Sixty-Six Cents the first quarter and an equal distribution of the remaining maximum annual funding the following quarters if any are attended; a Full-Time enrolled student on the quarter system would receive One Thousand Thirty-Three Dollars and Thirty-Three Cents (\$1,333.33) for the first quarter and an equal distribution of the remaining maximum annual funding the following quarters if any are attended.

Policy History

On January 31, 2012, the Bridgeport Indian Colony Tribal Council amended the above Part III to bring it current with practice. See Minute Order M12-11.

IV. ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in this program, all applicants must:

1. Be a member of the Bridgeport Indian Colony.
2. Submit a completed application using the Tribe's Application for Financial Assistance – Education .
3. Have the Financial Aid Office fax or email to the Tribe ((760) 932-7846) the Tribe's Needs Analysis Summary Form signed by the tribal member.
4. Have the Registrar's Office fax or email to the Tribe the transcripts for the last semester or quarter attended, and after completion of the semester or quarter for which funding is sought, have the Registrar's Office fax or email to the Tribe the current transcript.

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5. Have no outstanding financial obligations to the Tribe, excluding loans . Housing debts are not excluded.
6. Students graduating from high school under the age of 18 years shall provide documentation showing proof of graduation or completion of their GED to qualify for financial assistance through this program.
7. Demonstrate through verification by the college or university, faxed or emailed to the Tribe, enrollment in or acceptance at an accredited college or university.
8. Must demonstrate application to other scholarships and financial assistance programs using the tribe's Needs Analysis Summary Form.
9. Maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) each semester.

Policy History

On January 31, 2012, the Bridgeport Indian Colony Tribal Council amended the above Part IV to bring it current with practice. See Minute Order M12-11.

V. APPLICATION APPROVAL:

The Tribal Administrator shall only approve for funding, at the levels set forth above, complete applications for educational financial assistance. The Tribal Administrator shall assist any tribal member applicant in securing the required documents, set forth above, if the tribal member has, in compliance with the college or university requirements, authorized the Tribal Administrator to assist them.

Policy History

On January 31, 2012, the Bridgeport Indian Colony Tribal Council amended the above Part V to bring it current with practice. See Minute Order M12-11.

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APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - EDUCATION

Failure to provide all information requested by cause delays in processing this application
or result in the denial of assistance:

**Student
Name:**

**Student
Address:**

**Student
Phone:**

**Student
Date of Birth:**

**Student
SSN**

Check Box: Member of this Tribe? []Yes []No

**Academic
Year**

**Check Box: Is student a Veteran? []Yes []No
If YES, branch/years of service: _____**

Name & location of last high school attended:

Did student graduate? [] No [] Yes [] Yes If YES, date of graduation: _____

Student living (will live): [] On Campus [] Off Campus [] With Parents/Family

Has student received financial assistance from the Bridgeport Indian Colony before? [] No [] Yes *If YES, explain:

Has student applied for other financial aid? [] No [] Yes *If YES, complete and attach Financial Needs Analysis Form

[] n/a SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: [] Full-time Enrollment [] Part-Time Enrollment

Name and Address of College or University: _____

Academic Semester: [] Spring [] Fall [] Other _____

Class level: [] Freshman [] Sophomore [] Junior [] Senior [] Graduate

Degree (goal): [] Associate of Arts Major Course of Study: _____

[] Bachelor of Arts Major Course of Study: _____

[] Bachelor of Sciences Major Course of Study: _____

[] Master of Arts Major Course of Study: _____

[] Master of Sciences Major Course of Study: _____

[] Doctorate Major Course of Study: _____

ATTACHMENTS:

- ❖ All applications for Financial Assistance – Education must be accompanied by a verification of enrollment; and
- ❖ Returning students must attach a copy of their prior semester's grade transcripts; and
- ❖ Copy of Financial Needs Analysis Form signed by tribal member student

REIMBURSEMENT REQUIREMENT

If a student does not complete a course of study or education program, he or she may be required to reimburse the full cost of any scholarship or financial assistance received.

STATEMENT OF EDUCATION PURPOSE:

I declare that I will use the funds received from the Bridgeport Indian Colony's Educational Assistance Program solely for expenses connected with my (or my child's) attendance at the school, college or university identified above.

I authorize the school, college or university to release grades, financial information, classes and schedules to the Bridgeport Indian Colony, PO Box 37, Bridgeport, CA 93517, (760) 932-7083 x 227.

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and consent to the release of this information to necessary agencies to complete my financial aid package. I request any financial assistance awarded be mailed to me in care of the financial aid office of the institution identified above.

I will provide a copy of my grades or transcripts to the Bridgeport Indian Colony at the end of each semester, quarter or term.

I have read and understand the Bridgeport Indian Colony's Reimbursement Requirement and agree to abide by its terms.

Signature of Student (age 18 or over)

**Signature of Parent/Guardian
For Student under 18****FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Application reviewed on _____; verification process pending

Determination made: _____

Application incomplete; applicant notified _____

Applicant must provide additional information to complete request

Application and education assistance approved; funds in the amount of \$ _____
Mailed to school (listed on application) as of (date) _____

Application denied; applicant notified _____

Approved by Tribal Council on January 31, 2012. See Minute Order 12-11.

Bridgeport Indian Colony
P.O. Box 37
Bridgeport, CA 93517-0037
(760) 932-7083 x 228 (ofc) (760) 932-7846 (fax)

NEEDS ANALYSIS SUMMARY

Academic Year: _____
Term (only check one box): [] Fall [] Winter [] Spring [] Summer

Student Name: _____

Social Security Number

Enrollment Number

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

Name of College/University: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

I have reviewed the application for the above named student and have determined the following summary:

<u>Education Budget</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Financial Aid</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
Tuition/Fees	_____	Pell Grant	_____
Books/Supplies	_____	State	_____
Room/Board	_____	Perkins Loan	_____
Transportation	_____	GSL	_____
Child Care	_____	CWS	_____
Personal Expenses	_____	Other Loans available	_____
Other (itemize):	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____		
TOTAL COSTS	_____	Total	_____

Resources

Parent Contribution	_____	Total Financial Aid & Resources	_____
Student Contribution	_____	Total Unmet Need	_____
Spouse Contribution	_____	Total Need This Term	_____
Social Security	_____	Student [] Full-Time [] Part-Time	
Veterans Benefits	_____		
Other	_____		
TOTAL	_____		

Financial Aid Officer Print Name

Signature

I hereby authorize the Registrar and Financial Aid Office of _____ to release any and all information pertaining to me, including transcripts, number of credits enrolled during term, class schedule, grades and funding information, to the Bridgeport Indian Colony Education Department.

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Approve by Tribal Council on January 31, 2011, see Minute Order 12-11

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CERTIFICATION

We, certify that this Policy was discussed, revised (as indicated in red using Microsoft's Tracked Changes), and the revisions and deletions adopted during a duly called meeting of the Tribal Council on 31st day of January, 2012, at which a quorum was present, with a vote of 2 For, 0 Against, and 1 Abstaining.

Date: 1-31-12

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//s// John Glazier
John Glazier
Chairman

//s// David Rambeau
David Rambeau
Secretary/Treasurer

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