



Arizona Indian Education Association (AIEA) Student Scholarship

The scholarship will recognize American Indian youth who demonstrate exemplary achievement in academics, community service, and leadership, and who consistently participate in cultural activities. The goal of the AIEA Student Scholarship is to promote, encourage, and support students as they develop into scholars and prepare to engage in important careers as adults.

Scholarship Criteria:

- Open to Arizona students grades 7th – 12th
- Open to Arizona Community College and/or University undergraduate students
- Enrolled member of a federally-recognized Indian Nation
- Demonstrates excellence, creativity, initiative, and leadership in school, community and cultural activities
- Exemplifies the characteristics of a positive role model in his/her school and community

7th – 12th Grade Students:

- Must have a 2.0 GPA or above

Community College/University Student:

- Must be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student with a minimum of 12 credit hours for current semester
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above

Application Procedure:

1. Complete the application form
2. Submit copy of tribal enrollment card/CIB from a federally-recognized Indian Nation
3. Include two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher/professor, counselor/advisor, mentor, church leader or community leader.
4. Submit a copy of your current school transcripts, unofficial copies are acceptable.

Please note: Incoming high school freshmen are to provide Junior High transcripts and incoming freshman to college and/or university are to provide High School transcripts.

5. Submit a type-written double-spaced essay between 200 to 500 words on ***“Quest To Be Your Best”***, include:

- a. Awards Received
- b. Student government or Leadership positions
- c. Extracurricular Activities (i.e. clubs, sports, community organizations, etc.)
- e. Education/Career goals

- If awarded, students must attend the American Indian Youth Conference on October 3-4, 2011 at Arizona State University, Tempe Campus. The conference registration fee will be waived.
- The Scholarship Review Committee will notify the awardees no later than **September 16, 2011**.

Applications must be received by September 9, 2011

Mail to: AIEA Student Scholarship
P.O. Box 13402

Phoenix, AZ 85002 * fax and email applications are acceptable*

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AIEA Student Scholarship Form for Academic Year 2011-2012

To apply for the AIEA Student Scholarship, please submit the following items. Incomplete applications will not be considered:

- Application Form
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Type-written double-spaced essay
- Copy of proof of tribal enrollment from a federally-recognized Indian Tribe.
- Copy of school transcripts

Check one award for which you are applying for:

- Outstanding American Indian College/University Student
3 College Scholarships @ \$500.00 each
- Outstanding American Indian Senior High School Student (9-12 Grades)
5 High School Scholarships @ \$300.00 each
- Outstanding American Indian Junior High School Student (7-8 Grades)
3 Junior High Scholarships @ \$100.00 each

I. STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Male _____ Female _____
Tribe/Band/Nation: _____ Tribal Enrollment Number: _____
Mailing Address: _____ E-Mail: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Home Phone Number: (____) _____ Cell Phone Number: (____) _____

II. EDUCATIONAL STATUS AND HISTORY

Current School Name: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Current Grade Level (circle one): 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th
If College/University student indicate academic level: _____ Major: _____
Cumulative GPA (4.0 scale): _____



III. AUTHORIZATION & SIGNATURES

I hereby certify that the information provided in this Student Application Form is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could jeopardize consideration of my application. In addition, I authorize the high school(s) and postsecondary institution(s) I have attended or will attend to release to AIEA, if requested by AIEA, my transcripts and other academic or financial information requested by AIEA for the purposes described above, and I authorize the U.S. Department of Education and its agents to release to AIEA, if accessed or requested by AIEA, information from my student financial aid application. I also authorize AIEA to release my name and photo with any public announcement of Scholarships. By submitting the Student Application Form, I am giving AIEA permission to verify information on this form.

Print Name: _____

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature, if student is under 18 years of age: _____ Date: _____

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