



“Where Two Rivers Meet”

## **HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

### **Higher Education Checklist**

- Certificate of Indian Blood
- Verification of Kluti-Kaah Tribal Member or Direct Descendant
- Letter of Acceptance
- Two letters of recommendation
- Proof of application for Financial Aid
- Last Semester / Term transcripts
- Proof of Class Enrollment
- Letter of Intent from you

### **RETURN APPLICATION TO:**

Native Village of Kluti-Kaah  
Attn: Scholarship Coordinator  
P.O Box 68  
Copper Center, AK 99573  
Phone 907-822-5541  
Fax 907-822-5130  
Email [Nvkkassist@cvinternet.net](mailto:Nvkkassist@cvinternet.net)  
Website [www.klutikaah.com](http://www.klutikaah.com)

## GUIDELINES

### Deadline Dates:

Application Form Deadlines;

- Fall July 15
- Spring December 15
- Summer May 15

All Required Documents Deadlines;

- Fall September 1
- Spring February 1
- Summer July 1

Applicant will be denied when documents are received after these dates.

### Eligibility:

Eligible beneficiaries for Native Village of Kluti-Kaah scholarship program include: Native Village of Kluti-Kaah Tribal Member, of one quarter (1/4) or more blood quantum, and their lineal descendants.

### Qualifications:

Eligible applicants must be enrolled:

- As Full Time Student 12 or more credits per semester for undergraduate, 9 or more credit per semester for graduate students.
- As Part Time Student 6 or more credits per semester for Undergraduate and Graduate Students.
- At an accredited college or university or accepted for admittance to a post-secondary program: and
- Or four-year undergraduate degree or graduate degree program.

Applicants should maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 to qualify for Scholarships.

There is no Alaska residency requirement for Native Village of Kluti-Kaah Scholarships.

### Scholarship Decision:

Award selections are made based on eligibility of all criteria for selection being met. Applicants will be officially informed by the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah of selections results by letter. Allow fourteen (14) working days from the deadline for selections to be made.

### Criteria for Selection:

Scholastic achievement, merit or a major consideration in the award selection process, but is by no means the only one. It is used as an indicator of the ability of the candidate to grow through formal learning. Other factors considered in the selection process include previous work performance, education and community involvement; financial need; recommendations by teachers, employers and others who knows of the applicant's experience and potential to succeed in a chosen career; years in school; practicality of education and professional goals and completeness of the application.

### Disbursement of Funds:

Scholarship checks are disbursed by the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah directly to scholarship recipient's college or university. The university is requested to administer the funds on behalf of the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah scholarship recipient. A copy of the disbursed letter sent with the check to the university is also sent to the scholarship recipient. Annual scholarship checks will be disbursed in equal installments on a per semester basis.

A copy of grade transcripts for the previous semester during which a scholarship was used must be submitted to the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah for the next semester installment of the scholarship to be awarded.

Full Time Students receive \$2000.00 per semester. Part Time Students receive \$1000.00 per semester.

### Scholarship Application Process:

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit all required information along with the application

- Scholarship application, completed, signed and dated.
- An official copy of your grade transcripts, a copy of your high school grade transcripts or copy of your GED certificate if you are entering as a freshman. (Must come from the school to be official transcripts)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from teachers, employers, and others who know of your experience and potential to succeed

in your chosen field of study. New recommend letters must be submitted by student if those on file with Native Village of Kluti-Kaah are two or more years old.

- A copy of your proof of acceptance letter from your college/university if you are entering for the first time.
- Proof of relationship to an Kluti-Kaah enrolled Member, if you are not an enrolled Member yourself: Birth certificate or adoption decrees. This applies to first time applicants.
- A photograph of yourself.
- A letter from you stating your education and career goals.

It should include:

- a. Your reasons for wanting training/college.
- b. When you plan to finish and your major/field of interest
- c. Present facts about why you believe you would be a good scholarship candidate.

#### **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A STUDENT**

1. Write to an accredited college/university of your choice and request the following information:
  - a. Admission application and a school catalog; and
  - b. Housing information and any other information you may need (i.e. transportation, daycare, family housing, dormitories, fees, tuition, etc.)
2. Apply for other sources of financial aid from the following:

Veteran's Administration  
P.O. Box L  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Alaska Post-Secondary Commission  
Alaska Student Loan Program  
P.O. Box 110510  
Juneau, Alaska 99811-0510

Online application

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) [fasfa.gov](http://fasfa.gov)

3. Check with the Financial Aid officer at your school about your NVKK Higher Education Scholarship when you arrive on campus.
4. Must maintain a 2.0 grade point average or higher for continued funding
5. Send NVKK a copy of your grades at the end of each term. Failure to send your grades to NVKK will result in non-payment for the next semester installment.
6. Notify NVKK in writing if you are planning to withdraw or have been suspended from the school. Include the reason for the withdrawal or suspension.
7. Once you have submitted the NVKK Higher Education application packet, it is not necessary to complete the packet again to apply for funding for the next semester. However, it is mandatory that you submit a budget forecast to NVKK before the beginning of the next semester.
8. Have all required documents in within 45 day of deadline date.

#### **NATIVE VILLAGE OF KLUTI-KAAH'S RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU**

1. NVKK will notify you in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of your completed application has been received, as to your acceptance or denial of funds.
2. NVKK will notify you of any changes in the policies or the program's funding level that will have a direct affect you and/or your financial need.
3. NVKK reserves the right to terminate your scholarship if:
  - a. You have not maintained a 2.0 or higher grade point average during the semester or
  - b. You are withdrawn or suspended from the school for any reason.
4. NVKK will be available for guidance service to assist you in preparing for college/university.

5. NVKK will be available to assist you with financial aid applications and information

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

1. Must be one-fourth (1/4) or more Alaskan Native or Native American.
2. Must be enrolled in Kluti-Kaah or eligible for enrollment as a direct lineal descendant, and has not received funding from another Tribe.
3. Must submit a complete scholarship application.

Completed Application are:

First Time Applicants

- a) Application Form filled out and signed
- b) Certificate of Indian Blood
- c) Two letters of recommendation
- d) Proof of Financial Aid (approved or denied)
- e) Letter of Intent

- f) Verification of Kluti-Kaah Enrollment or Direct Descendant

- g) Official Transcripts of Grades

- h) Acceptance Letter

Renewal Students

- a) Budget Forecasts

- b) Official Transcripts

4. Must submit a letter of acceptance from the college/university of your choice.

5. Must maintain a 2.0 grade point average.

### **For more information contact:**

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**E. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_ Duties: \_\_\_\_\_

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**F. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

First time applicants are to describe your personal history, a summary of accomplishments and a description of your career goals. Also, explain how your degree program fits with your education and career plans. Repeat applicants are to update (briefly) your education and career goals and related activity. This statement is important and evaluated carefully for eligibility. (Use an additional sheet of paper if necessary).

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**G. CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

Upon completion of the semester(s) or term(s) for which the award was made, the scholarship recipient must submit a copy of his or her grade transcripts for that period to the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah.

**H. STATEMENT OF CORRECTNESS, AND UNDERSTANDING**

I hereby attest that the information contained in this application is true, correct and complete.

I understand that the proceeds of the scholarship, if approved will be used to further my education in the degree program where I am enrolled.

I understand that in the event a scholarship is granted, it must apply toward tuition, registration, fees, books, and campus related room and/or board.

Should for any reason the scholarship not be used, I further understand that the full amount or any portion thereof will be refunded to the Native Village of Kluti-Kaah.

I also understand that immediately upon completion of the semester or term, I shall submit a copy of my grade transcripts for the semester(s) during which the award was used to Native Village of Kluti-Kaah to verify completion of the courses of study during the semester(s) or term(s) for which the award was made.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Infraction Provision*** Except in cases of special circumstances, should the eligibility and selection criteria not be maintained by the scholarship recipient, a person will not be ineligible to apply for the NVKKK Higher Education Scholarship for the next two (2) award periods from the date of the determination made by NVKK Scholarship Committee. No additional funds will be advanced in the current semester. To the extent possible, all unused funds will be recovered from the institution and returned to NVKK. In addition, in the event an applicant or scholarship recipient is delinquent in submitting reports required by the scholarship program, absent special circumstances, future awards to the applicant/recipient will be withheld until the delinquency is resolved.

### HIGHER EDUCATION BUDGET FORECASTS

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security number \_\_\_\_\_

College /University Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

My Class will be: \_\_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_\_ Other

I have earned \_\_\_\_\_ credits to date. I plan to enroll for \_\_\_\_\_ credits this term.

My Major is \_\_\_\_\_.

Forecast for Semester/Term beginning \_\_\_\_\_ ending \_\_\_\_\_.

College/ University	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer	Total Annual Cost
Tuition Waiver					
Tuition					
Fees/Insurance					
Books					
Room					
Board					
Other (specify)					
Tuition Exemption					
<b>Total Need</b>					

Students Resources & Awards Grants	Fall	Winter	Spring	Summer	Total
PELL					
SEOG					
BEOG					
Ahtna Heritage					
College Work Study					
Parent spouse					
Student Contribution					
Veterans/SS Benefits					
Alaska Student Loan					
Other Student Loan					
Scholarships					
<b>Total Resources</b>					
<b>Total financial need from NVKK</b>					

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

My signature above affirms that my permission is given to the school to release confidential information to the NVKK.

- Student has not yet applied for financial aid.
- Need cannot be determined
- Student application is incomplete and cannot be considered.
- Funding is not available.

Reviewed and Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Scholarship Coordinator