

Wiyot Tribe Scholarship Guidelines

The purpose of the Wiyot Scholarship is to encourage students to continue their education. The goal of the scholarship is to assist tribal members who wish to pursue additional education. Scholarships are open to those attending recognized, accredited colleges, universities and technical institutions. The Wiyot Tribe Scholarship is funded entirely through the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, through investments made to assure its success. Students must be currently enrolled, attending full or part-time, have a 2.0 or higher minimum GPA, and must not have completed more than 150 college units. In order to be eligible all application materials must be received on or before the August 1 deadline.

Preliminary Screening

- I am currently enrolled in an accredited college, university or technical institution or trade school.
 - Full-time (12 units or more)
 - Part-time (3-11 units)
- I have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- I have a minimum GPA of 2.0 or higher
- I have not completed more than 150 college units
- I have completed the Wiyot Scholarship application form
- I have official transcripts for the last college or high school, adult school I attended or GED score on file with the Social Service Director.
- I have submitted a personal statement
- I have Submitted two letters of recommendation from an advisor, counselor, teacher, instructor, or supervisor (recommendation cannot be written by a relative or family member).
- I understand that I have to reapply each year to be eligible for the scholarship each school year.
- Check here if you would like to additional assistance with Financial Aid. You will be contacted to schedule an appointment with the Social Service Director.



Scholarship Award: How to Apply

This scholarship is a competitive scholarship, awarded in recognition of achievement and dedication to goals. It is entirely funded through a portion of the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.

1. Prepare all Application Materials.

- Fill out the Application Form. Attach additional sheets if you run out of space.
- Compose a Personal Statement (of up to 600 words) that will help committee members learn about your personal history, perspectives, goals and interests. Give information that demonstrates that you are the best candidate for the scholarships you are applying for. This statement is an opportunity for readers to see who you are as a person and a place to shine! Refrain from reiterating what you've already written on the application form and let this section come alive and reflect your personality, dreams and goals.
- Request 1 Official Transcript from the school you most recently attended. **Allow 2 weeks.** Do not send unofficial or web-based grade reports. Anything other than an official transcript may disqualify you from the scholarships.
- Request 2 or more Letters of Recommendation from Teachers, Supervisors, advisors etc. The Tribe will not accept letters of recommendation from a relative.

2. Compile the Application Packet. Please submit one **original**. Paper clip only! Do NOT staple and do not use folders, binders, covers, etc. not be considered for any scholarships.

3. Mail or deliver to:

**Scholarship Committee
Wiyot Tribe
1000 Wiyot Drive
Loleta, CA 95551**

Awards and Honors

List other awards you have received, such as for academic accomplishments or community service.

Award Title	Accomplishment

Employment History

In addition to listing your employment history, please give detail on your on the job duties – especially those that will contribute to your future goals.

Dates	Employed By	Your Duties	Hours /Week

Certification

I hereby affirm that the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Financial Need Form

Financial Need: All things being equal, financial need will be taken into consideration

Household Income and Other Financial Aid

Annual Gross Income of Your Family

Total the 2008 estimated income for you and your parents (if you are dependent).

- 50,000 and up
- 45,000 – 49,000
- 40,000 – 44,999
- \$35,000 – 39,999
- \$30,000 – 34,999
- \$20,000 – 29,999
- \$10,000 – 19,999
- Less than \$10,000

Estimated College Expenses for 2009-10 year

Total the estimated expenses for you to attend college.

Tuition	\$
Room/Board	\$
Other	\$
Total expenses	\$

Estimated Income for 2009-10 year

List all income you expect to receive from other sources, including federal financial aid.

Family:	\$
Personal (savings, earnings, etc.):	\$
Confirmed Scholarships:	\$
Confirmed Grants:	\$
Work Study:	\$
Student Loans:	\$
Other:	\$

Other Household and Educational Expenses

How many members in your household depend on the above income? _____

What is your total anticipated need for college expenses in the coming year? _____

Who will be responsible for financing your college education? _____

Expected Family Contribution

Have you filled out and submitted the **FAFSA**? Yes No

Have you received your **Student Aid Report (SAR)**? Yes No

According to your **SAR**, what is your **Expected Family Contribution**? \$ _____

If you have no **SAR**, you can compute your **Expected Family Contribution** to the cost of your education at one of the following sites on the internet using the **Federal Methodology**.

<http://www.finaid.org/calculators/finaidestimate.phtml>

<http://apps.collegeboard.com/fincalc/servlet/efcCalculatorServlet>

According to your calculations, what is your **Expected Family Contribution**? \$ _____

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Financial Need

Statement of Financial Need

Please include a brief statement describing your financial need. Be sure to describe any financial hardships endured by you and your family that will make it difficult to afford your education. Do you have family members who plan to contribute toward the cost of your education? Do you have other family members attending college simultaneously? List any extraordinary expenses you and your family may have.

Personal Statement

Compose a Personal Statement (of up to 600 words) that will help committee members learn about your personal history, perspectives, goals and interests. Give information that demonstrates that you are the best candidate for the scholarships you are applying for. This statement is an opportunity for readers to see who you are as a person and a place to shine! Refrain from reiterating what you've already written on the application form and let this section come alive and reflect your personality, dreams and goals.

I hereby affirm that the information provided on this financial need form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____