



# Cowlitz Indian Tribe Tuition Assistance Award - Application

**2024-25 Academic Year- May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025**

Tuition and tuition related fees are awarded under the Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act of 2014 to enrolled Cowlitz tribal members attending an accredited vocational school, college, or university.

- Award funds must be used in the 2024-25 academic year.
- Applications are approved and funds are awarded in the order received.
- Payment of the award funds are made directly to the school each quarter/semester/education term.
- All award recipients must submit a copy of their grades at the end of each Cowlitz funded term.

**E-mail your completed application and required documents to [tuitionassistance@cowlitz.org](mailto:tuitionassistance@cowlitz.org).**

**An incomplete application packet is not eligible for consideration and will be returned via e-mail.**

If you are unable to submit your Tuition Assistance Application via e-mail, contact Carol Burnison at 360-353-9588 or Carissa Cothren at 360-353-9497.

Required Documents:

- ◇ Application.
- ◇ Education Goals Form.
- ◇ Copy of your Cowlitz Tribal Identification Card.
- ◇ Transcript- Unofficial transcripts meet this requirement. High school transcript for graduating seniors. Or a GED Certificate or most recent transcript for all other applicants.
- ◇ Copy of FAFSA Confirmation Letter/Student Aid Report showing EFC and Pell Grant eligibility.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cowlitz Tribal Enrollment Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street or PO Box, City, State, Zip Code), \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail (All communication will be to this e-mail address): \_\_\_\_\_

Mark all categories that describe you:

- Vocational Student       Undergraduate Student       Graduate Student  
 Part-Time Student       Full-Time Student       Past recipient of a Cowlitz Scholarship/Tuition Assistance Award

Vocational school, college, or university you will attend. If undecided, list all the schools you are considering.

I am requesting tuition and tuition related fees for the 2024-25 academic year in the following amount. Mark one.

- Up to \$12,000 for a Vocational Certificate       Up to \$6,500 for an Associate Degree       Up to \$13,000 for a Bachelor Degree  
 Up to \$19,500 for a Master Degree       Up to \$19,500 for a Doctorate Degree

**By accepting this award, I confirm I have reviewed the Instructions and the Policies and Procedures of the Cowlitz Tuition Assistance Award Program and agree to comply with them.**

I agree to respond to all e-mails from the Cowlitz Tuition Assistance Office.

I agree all funds will be used in the academic year requested for tuition and tuition related fees.

I agree all refunds and unused funds of this Cowlitz Tuition Assistance Award will be returned to the Tribe.

I authorize the Cowlitz Indian Tribe interoffice use of my personal information.

I certify all the information I have submitted is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

January 4, 2024



# Cowlitz Indian Tribe

## Tuition Assistance Award - Educational Goals

2024-25 Academic Year - May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cowlitz Tribal Enrollment Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be attending on-line, in person or both?

\_\_\_\_\_

I will begin my 2024-25 academic year in \_\_\_\_\_

Month and Year or Quarter, Semester (Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring) or Education Term

Vocational Student **OR** College/University:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  Graduate Student

Certificate program or degree you are enrolled in:

Vocational Certificate  Associate Degree  Bachelor Degree  Master Degree  Doctorate Degree

Vocational Certificate: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Date of Completion  
Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Associate or Bachelor Degree (if undecided, write "undecided"):  
Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Date of Graduation  
Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Master or Doctorate Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Date of Graduation  
Graduate Program or Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Responding to the prompt below; submit an original essay - 150 words or less.

**First-time applicant:** Introduce yourself to your Cowlitz family. Include your educational and career goals and how this award will help you achieve your goals.

**Previous recipient of this award:** Provide an update on the progress you have made toward achieving your education goals.