

# ETHEL CURRY AMERICAN INDIAN LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

## – GRADUATE STUDENT –

### Qualifications

#### A. Minimum Qualifications for Obtaining Scholarship Funding:

1. You must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.
2. You must be attending an accredited college or university in the state of Minnesota.
3. You must be pursuing a graduate degree.
4. You must have demonstrated an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher on your most current educational transcripts.
5. You must be able to demonstrate leadership qualities within the American Indian community.
6. Preference is given to Minnesota residents.

#### B. All Submissions **MUST** Include the Following:

1. Ethel Curry American Indian Leadership Scholarship application.
2. Most recent unofficial college transcript.
3. Proof of enrollment in a federally recognized tribe.
4. An essay expressing the reasons why you should be awarded this scholarship. It should be no longer than 400 words and must include your educational goals, professional/work goals and the impact you want to have within your tribal community.
5. Two letters of recommendation:
  - **Letter One:** An academic reference letter that describes your academic leadership activities and connection to the American Indian community, and
  - **Letter Two:** A personal reference letter describing your character and leadership qualities, and connection to the American Indian community.

#### C. Additional Requirements

1. The Ethel Curry American Indian Leadership Scholarship application must be legible and filled out in its entirety.
2. All submissions **MUST** include the required materials as outlined above in **POINT B**.
3. All of the required materials must be submitted **together** by the application deadline – **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
4. Completed applications, including unofficial transcripts, **MUST** be received or **POSTMARKED** on or before **May 31, 2017**.

#### Submit All Required Items as Outlined Above to:

Minnesota Department of Education  
Office of Indian Education  
Attn: Kristen Aeikens  
1500 W. Hwy. 36  
Roseville, MN 55113

If you have questions, please contact Kristen Aeikens:

O: 651.582.8558, E: [Kristen.Aeikens@state.mn.us](mailto:Kristen.Aeikens@state.mn.us).

*All applicants will be notified no later than August 15, 2017, regarding their application status.*

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**A. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Name – First, Middle, Last \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone – Home \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone – Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

New/Returning? (Check one):  First-time applicant  Returning Ethel Curry Scholar

Full/Part-time? (Check one):  Full-time student status  Part-time student status

Tribal Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

**B. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

Institution of Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

Institution Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Institution Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Status in Graduate Program:  First Year  Second Year  Third Year  Fourth Year +

Anticipated Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated/Actual Graduation Date – Month and Year \_\_\_\_\_

***I certify that I have met all of the requirements for eligibility for the Ethel Curry American Indian Leadership Scholarship. I understand that this scholarship is annual and competitive. I certify that I am not a family member or relative of any Minnesota Department of Education employee. I understand that by completing this application, I am not guaranteed funding.***

Signature of Applicant/Date \_\_\_\_\_