



**TRIBAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT (TED)
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

TERM: WINTER/SPRING 2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JULY 3, 2026

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

This limited-time scholarship is funded by the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) through a grant awarded to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Scholarships are limited and are awarded on a **first-come, first-served basis for complete applications only**.

Applications that are incomplete or missing required documents will be considered incomplete and may result in program disqualification.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Enrolled member of the Sault Tribe
 - Full-time or part-time college or vocational/trade students
 - Must reside in the United States
 - Must have attended during the eligible term
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SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- Submit all materials as one PDF file
 - Email to: education@saulttribe.net
 - **Submit application by the program deadline**
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COMMUNICATION DETAILS

- After submitting your application, please check your email regularly for updates or requests for additional information.

For questions or more information:

Email: education@saulttribe.net or call 906-635-7465 ext.53081



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ARE YOU READY TO APPLY?

Before submitting your application, take a moment to make sure everything is complete.

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REQUIRED DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

Please confirm you have included all of the following:

- Completed Application (signed)
- Completed Survey (required for all applicants, including previous TED recipients)
- Copy of Current Tribal ID (not expired)
- Completed W-9 Form (signed and is required for all applicants)
- Transcripts (must include student name, school name, corresponding term, GPA or grades)

BEFORE YOU SUBMIT

A quick final check can help avoid delays:

- All documents are combined into **ONE PDF** file
- Your name appears on all documents
- All forms are fully completed and signed where applicable
- Your Tribal ID is current (not expired)
- Your email is correct and checked regularly

**Incomplete applications or those applications that are missing
required documents will not be processed.**



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SECTION I – APPLICANT INFORMATION

| | | | | | |
|----------------|--|-------|---------------------------------|----------|--|
| Applicant Name | | | | | |
| Street Address | | | | | |
| City | | State | | Zip Code | |
| County | | | Phone Number | | |
| Email Address | | | High School Graduation/GED Date | | |

SECTION II – COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY/TRADE/VOCATIONAL INFORMATION

| | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|
| College/University/Trade/Vocational School Name | | | | | |
| Level of Degree or Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Associates | <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Doctoral | <input type="checkbox"/> Trade/Vocational | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |
| Major/Minor/Certificate Program | | | | | |
| Anticipated Graduation Date | | | | | |
| Method of Attendance | <input type="checkbox"/> In-Person | <input type="checkbox"/> Online | <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid (in-person & online) | | |

I understand that if I no longer meet the eligibility requirements for my **WINTER/SPRING 2026** scholarship, I must return the full scholarship amount to the Sault Tribe Education Department.

By signing below, I accept this scholarship and agree to its terms. In signing, I also give permission for my name, photo, biographical information, and voice to be used in advertising or promotions worldwide without additional payment.

I further understand that this information may be shared with my school, the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE), and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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SECTION III – STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP & EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE SURVEY

Purpose:

This survey is designed to better understand your educational experiences, challenges, and goals. Your responses will help improve scholarship programs and student support services.

1. Why did you choose your current college/university/trade/vocational school?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic programs offered | <input type="checkbox"/> Reputation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cost/affordability | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus environment/culture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial aid (scholarships/grants) | <input type="checkbox"/> Family/friends attend(ed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Location (close to home) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Comments: _____

2. Are you a first-generation college/program/certificate student?

- | | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to answer |

Comments: _____

3. How would receiving this scholarship impact your educational journey?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce financial stress | <input type="checkbox"/> Help me stay enrolled |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce the need to work | <input type="checkbox"/> Help me graduate sooner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Allow me to focus more on academics | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

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4. On average, how many hours per week do you spend or expect to spend on the following activities?

| | 0 hours | 1-5 hours | 6-10 hours | 11-15 hours | 16-20 hours | 21-25 hours | 26+ hours |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Studying, homework, course prep | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Extracurricular activities | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Working for pay | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Volunteering | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Family responsibilities/caregiving | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Comments: _____

5. How often do you worry about the following?

| | Always | Often | Sometimes | Rarely | Never |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Doing well academically | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Paying for education (tuition, books, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Meeting expectations of others | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Balancing responsibilities | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Maintaining mental health/well being | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Feeling a sense of belonging | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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6. What challenges are currently impacting your ability to succeed in your education?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Time management | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental health/well-being |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial challenges | <input type="checkbox"/> Homesickness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic difficulty/course load | <input type="checkbox"/> Family responsibilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of focus/motivation | <input type="checkbox"/> Lack of support/resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus environment/belonging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food insecurities | |

Comments: _____

7. What resource(s) will be utilized to finance your higher education?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal income/self-pay | <input type="checkbox"/> Student loans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family support/Parent Plus Loans | <input type="checkbox"/> Work-study/employment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarships | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuition waiver |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grants (Pell, institutional, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Comments: _____

8. What educational expenses will this scholarship help fund?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuition | <input type="checkbox"/> School supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology (laptop, internet, software) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Childcare |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Books | |

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9. Does your campus have a Native American center/organization?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and I use the services | <input type="checkbox"/> I am not aware of these services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, but I have not used the services | <input type="checkbox"/> Not available at my institution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am aware but unsure how to access | |

Comments: _____

10. What factors are most important to you in your career?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advancement opportunities | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual challenge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive salary | <input type="checkbox"/> Self-employment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Job stability | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership opportunities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Helping my community | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creativity | |

Comments: _____

11. What benefits do you look for in an employer?

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health/dental/life insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuition assistance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement/401(k) | <input type="checkbox"/> Paid time off |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Remote/hybrid work | <input type="checkbox"/> Work/life balance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flexible schedule | <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace culture/diversity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional development | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student loan repayment | |

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12. What type of location do you prefer when job searching?

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large city | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of country |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural community | <input type="checkbox"/> Remote work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Close to home | <input type="checkbox"/> No preference |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On or near Tribal lands | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Out of state | |

Comments: _____

13. How will you use your education to impact your Native community, Nation or Indian Country?
(Examples: education, healthcare, economic development, cultural preservation, leadership, etc.)
