



Colorado Cherokee Circle Larry Ellis Scholarship Program Guidelines

The Colorado Cherokee Circle (CoCC) announces the **Colorado Cherokee Circle Larry Ellis Scholarship Program**. Under the Program, two (2) \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to documented Cherokee students. Awards will be disbursed in two payments for semester classes, \$500 Fall and \$500 Spring or 3 payments for quarter classes, \$333 Fall, \$333 Winter and \$334 Spring. First priority will be members and/or children of the CoCC in good standing. Second priority will be enrolled Cherokee students at local accredited institutions of higher education.

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- * Seeking Native American students with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.
- * Applicants must be enrolled in a federally recognized Cherokee Tribe.
- * Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 in their last two years of school (high school or college) and attend or plan to attend a 2- or 4-year accredited college or technical school.
- * Scholarship funds will be paid **directly to the student**. Selected students must submit their class schedule and school ID before funds will be disbursed.
- * Late applications are not accepted.

Mail one copy of a completed typed application package to:

*Colorado Cherokee Circle
P.O. Box 40292
Denver, CO 80204-0292*

Or email application materials to:

membership@cocherokeecircle.org

The applications will be reviewed, and recipients selected by a committee consisting of volunteer members of the CoCC. The scholarships will be awarded in August of each year for the Fall semester/Quarter and December of each year for the Spring semester/Quarter.

Please submit any questions to: CoCC@cocherokeecircle.org



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2021

Please **type** your answers.

1.	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____	
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____	
4.	Date of Birth: Month: Day: Year: Gender: _____	
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent two years' school transcript is required.	
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO ___	
7.	Are you an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation: YES ___ NO ___ Submit a photocopy of your enrollment card	
8.	Are you a member of Colorado Cherokee Circle organization: YES ___ NO ___	
9.	<p>(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 9, please attach and skip to Question 10.)</p> <p>A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:</p> <p>B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school-related volunteer activities:</p> <p>C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:</p>	
910.	<p>A. If you have decided on what college or vocational school you will attend, please list school name:</p> <p>B. If not, list your top 3 college choices:</p>	



11. Below or on a separate sheet please write an essay (250 - 500 words) answering the questions below:

Describe how being Native American has shaped you as an individual. Explain your propensity and plans to give back to your community. Discuss any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond.



STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above-stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that, if chosen as a scholarship winner, my picture may be taken and used to promote the Colorado Cherokee Circle Larry Ellis Scholarship Program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Colorado Cherokee Circle Larry Ellis Scholarship policy, I must be present at any potential awards ceremony, surprise, or reception to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby agree I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

I hereby certify my application information is true and correct.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Checklist

- Application
- Copy of Cherokee Enrollment
- Essay
- Resume/Activity Sheet
- School Transcript or Letter of Admission for new students

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REMINDER:

The deadline for this application to be postmarked or emailed to the Colorado Cherokee Circle is:

August 15, 11:59 p.m., FOR A FALL SCHOLARSHIP
NOVEMBER 15, 11:59 p.m. FOR A SPRING SCHOLARSHIP
NO EXCEPTIONS!