

Colville Fuels/Colville Casinos Offer Scholarships for College Students

In a continued effort of community outreach and positive local involvement, the Fuels and Gaming divisions of the Colville Tribal Federal Corporation are offering scholarships for the upcoming 2019-2020 academic year for Colville Tribal college students continuing their education in accredited colleges and universities. Partnering with the Corporation in offering the \$1,000 scholarships are Doyles Wholesale/Sheehan Majestic, Jackson Energy, and Weinstein Beverage Company.

Each scholarship recipient will receive \$1,000 for the academic year if he/she is registered for at least twelve (12) credits per quarter (or equivalent semester credits) and maintains a 2.5 grade point average or higher.

The Corporation recognizes that Native Americans are the most underrepresented ethnic minority in all fields of higher education. It further recognizes the pivotal role higher education plays in protecting, preserving, and promoting inherent rights and cultural interests of indigenous people and Indian tribes.

The goal of these scholarships is to promote higher education in the Colville Tribal Native American community, provide financial assistance to deserving students, and increase Colville Tribal higher education opportunities for its members. These scholarships will assist Colville Tribal students who are committed to furthering the interests of the Colville Tribal Native American community. Awarded scholarships will offer these students the opportunity to advance the visions of indigenous people and tribes through service and advocacy.

Preference will be given to students entering into areas deemed important to the Corporation, including business, accounting, finance, human resources, marketing, statistics, and other business fields.

To be considered for this scholarship announcement, the following criteria must be met:

- Must be an enrolled Colville Tribal Member, but may consider first line descendents depending on availability of funding.
- Each applicant must be entering or continuing their education at an accredited college or university at full-time status.
- Each applicant must submit one letter of recommendation from an individual who is active in the Native American Business field or in the Native American community.
- Individuals must demonstrate a financial need. Each applicant must submit a personal statement describing or demonstrating their commitment and ties to the Native American community.
- Note: Previous scholarship recipients must only furnish proof of full-time enrollment for the previous academic year while meeting the minimum GPA requirements outlined herein; however, there must be no gaps in attendance or the individual will be required to submit a new application packet.

For more information, questions about the scholarship fund, or to request an application packet, contact Nakona Runningbear at (509) 634-3208 or by email at n.runningbear@ctfc.biz