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## 1. Policy

- a. It is the policy of the Tulalip Tribes to provide services to youth and families.
- b. The Tulalip Tribes believes in supporting our youth to achieve their goals to foster leaders for tomorrow.

### 2. Purpose

- a. The purpose of this policy is for the Family Resource Department (Under the Education Division) to offer funding and education resources to enrolled Tulalip Tribal members.
- b. The Family Resource Department also provides limited services to other Native American students within the Marysville School District.
- c. The Family Resource Department shall:
  - i. Empower our students to pursue excellence through participation in academics and activities that nurture positive growth and development;
  - ii. Support educational opportunities for Tulalip Tribal members while maintaining high standards and developing partnerships with academic institutions and programs;
  - iii. Assist individuals and/or teams in their quest to participate in extracurricular events and activities.

#### 3. Scope

- a. The scope of this policy is to provide services to Tulalip Tribal members and community:
  - i. Academics, extracurricular, enrichment, graduation and holistic support.
- b. Also in partnership with:
  - i. Tulalip Education Division departments;
  - ii. Youth and family serving organizations;
  - iii. Tribal government entities.



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## 4. Definitions

- a. "Family Resource" means the department under the Tulalip Education Division, formerly known as Youth Finance.
- b. "Teams" means any coordinated group for extracurricular or educational activities and events.
- c. "Chaperone" means any adult who is responsible for youth during any travel, event, or activity.
- d. "Organized activity" means any extracurricular activity that is facilitated for student learning, enrichment, or athletic experiences, etc.
- e. "Requestor" means a parent/guardian or youth who are requesting funding from the Family Resource Department.
- f. "Youth" means a child, age three (3) up to twenty-one (21), who is an enrolled student attending preschool through high school.
- g. "Backup" means any documentation providing proof of enrollment, activity, services, etc.
- h. "MSD" means Marysville School District.
- i. "JOM" means Johnson O' Malley Grant that is federally funded.
- j. "Academic year" means the start and end of a school-year, typically ranging from September to June.
- k. "Calendar year" means the standard year from January to December.
- I. "Full-time" means enrolled and attending a minimum of 4 days per calendar week.
- m. "Equipment" means anything that is required for a specified and coordinated activity.
- n. "Extracurricular" includes a range of activities organized outside of the regular school day.

#### 5. Funding

- a. Funding is based on availability.
- b. Funding shall not exceed the identified amount approved in the current year.



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### 6. Schooling

### a. Private School:

- i. Must be an accredited school to receive tuition payment up to \$10,000.00 per calendar year for Kindergarten through 12th grade;
- ii. Must be a full-time student, provide annual report cards and proof of satisfactory attendance:
  - (1) Full-time as defined in WAC 392-121-122 for minimum weekly hour requirements by grade level:
    - (a) Hybrid homeschool options may be considered in the homeschool policy.
  - (2) Remaining Private School funding can be utilized for physical education when it is not provided by the school and will require pre-approval,
  - (3) Tuition invoices must be submitted by August, prior to the upcoming school year or within sixty (60) days of enrollment:
    - (a) Must submit annual report card, and
    - (b) Must provide proof of satisfactory attendance.
- b. Homeschool:
  - i. Must follow state laws and meet minimum requirements to be qualified under RCW 28A.225.010 in order to receive funding up to \$5,000.00 per calendar year:
    - (1) Any expenses over the allotted amount will require additional documentation of need and prior approval.
  - ii. Must provide academic and/or curriculum plan per each academic school year;
  - iii. Required courses and student assessment fees such as the Parent Qualifying Course and annual progress testing can be reimbursed;
  - iv. Funding can be utilized for curriculum, required school supplies, and certified instructors.



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- c. Graduation:
  - i. Supplies shall include items needed for student's graduation ceremonies up to \$600.00 one time;
  - ii. Funding can be accessed until July 31st of the student's graduating year;
  - iii. Graduation incentive will be provided to each graduate in the amount of \$500.00:
    - (1) Must provide diploma,
    - (2) Incentive can only be provided when requested in their graduating year.

### 7. Educational Enrichment

- a. Educational enrichment shall be provided up to \$6000.00 per calendar year.
- b. Tutorial:
  - i. Students must be enrolled in a K-12 school;
  - ii. Tutor must provide proof of certification or accreditation;
  - iii. Must provide an assessment and/or a tutorial plan of services provided;
  - iv. Tutoring service attendance must be tracked and documentation provided with the invoice monthly.
- c. Special Education:
  - i. Students who are qualified for special education can utilize education enrichment funding for additional academic, behavioral and therapeutic support services;
  - ii. Funding shall include equipment, software or services necessary for student's individual needs;
  - iii. Must provide a letter from a physician, therapist or school representative:
    - (1) Assessment and testing fees,
    - (2) Assessment and testing fees for student advancement or improvement.



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- d. Credit Retrieval:
  - i. Funding for High school students to obtain needed school credit from accredited institution.
- e. Equipment and Supplies:
  - i. Equipment must be for Educational purposes with documentation provided of need;
  - ii. Equipment shall include age appropriate computer, not to exceed grade level amounts of \$400.00 for Elementary, \$600.00 for Middle and \$1000.00 for High School levels;
  - iii. Computer and/or laptops are only provided if the student's school does not provide and it is verified that it is required by the school for the student's academic needs;
  - iv. Any equipment that exceeds \$1000.00 must be approved by the Executive Director of Education.

#### 8. Activity

- a. Activity funding shall be allocated as follows for extracurricular and enrichment opportunities:
  - i. Ages 3-21, enrolled in preschool through High School: \$4000.00 per calendar year;
  - ii. Ages 0-2: \$500.00 per calendar year:
    - (1) Funding cannot be utilized for childcare.
- b. Extracurricular:
  - i. Extracurricular includes a range of organized activities such as sports, enrichment learning opportunities, workshops, etc.;
  - ii. Funding may cover expenses, registration, fees, supplies, equipment, and travel for student:
    - (1) The student must be a participant in the activity in which the funding is requested.
  - iii. Travel funds are available for youth and one chaperone for a preapproved organized activity that the youth is an active participant in:



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- (1) All travel documentation should be submitted thirty (30) days prior to guarantee full payment. Reimbursements will only be made if within policy guidelines,
- (2) Chaperones must be at least 21 years of age,
- (3) Travel funds may cover per-diem for youth, hotel, and registration for youth only and flight/transportation for youth and chaperone.
- c. Camping:
  - i. Student must provide a list of requested items, a flyer or notice of organized activity, and narrative of the activity for approval;
  - ii. Items purchased must be specifically related to camping equipment and supplies for activity and utilized for the student;
  - iii. Camping funding can only be utilized once every three (3) years and not to exceed \$1000.00:
    - (1) Camping funding can only be utilized by one student per household for the requested activity.
- d. Athletic and activity wear:
  - i. Shoes and clothes funding can be utilized for athletic wear required for an activity or physical education uniforms;
  - ii. A student may utilize up to four (4) shoe vouchers up to \$90.00 each for approved vendors per quarter;
  - iii. Reimbursements that are over the allotted \$90.00 must provide a registration of a sport/activity or class schedule:
    - (1) Students can utilize up to a maximum of \$100 per quarter for physical education,
    - (2) Student can utilize a maximum of \$1500.00 per sport/organized activity; documentation must be provided of required attire and/or gear.
- e. Camps:
  - i. Tuition, fees, travel and registration for organized and established extracurricular camps that support student interest and success; shall not include childcare.



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- f. Culture:
  - i. Funds can be utilized to cover items such as supplies for regalia or cultural gear for a maximum of \$1000 per calendar year;
  - ii. One set per student per calendar year;
  - iii. Must provide proof of items and/or supplies purchased and that they have been received by student.
- g. Equipment:
  - i. Equipment purchased must be related to an approved organized activity for the student. Must provide proof of need and a letter stating request;
  - ii. Equipment deemed as excessive may be denied;
  - iii. Any equipment items over \$1000.00 must be approved by the Executive Director of Education:
    - (1) For any requests over \$1000.00, three (3) bids and/or quotes may be requested.
  - iv. Firearms, weapons, or related items of any sort are not allowable.
- h. High School Graduates:
  - i. High school students can utilize this funding for additional graduation supplies that are needed for graduation ceremonies up to \$1500;
  - ii. Funding can be accessed until July 31st of the student's graduating year and must pertain to their High school career and/or experience in organized activities;
  - iii. Any items deemed as excessive may be denied.



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## 9. Eligibility

- a. Application and documentation process:
  - i. Must complete one application form per request;
  - ii. No funding will be disbursed until all documents are provided:
    - (1) Documents can include, but not limited to, schedule, roster, flyer, registration confirmation, receipts, invoices, etc.,
    - (2) All documentation must reflect complete cost, source payment, date, and student's name.
  - iii. Vendor information must be provided including W-9 form where applicable;
  - iv. All funding is based on availability;
  - v. Upon application completion, applications will be reviewed and processed in the order they are received, within three (3) business days of receipt.
- b. Parent/Guardian and student responsibilities:
  - i. Maintain average attendance and good standing in program;
  - ii. Notify the Family Resource Department of any withdrawals of programs and activities;
  - iii. Where applicable, provide annual grade reports, class schedule and program plan;
  - iv. Ensure all requests are accurate and relevant based on student's age and need;
  - v. Notify the Family Resource Department of any discrepancies in documentation, funding, etc.;
- c. Confidentiality and release of information:
  - i. The Family Resource Department shall keep all documents confidential;
  - ii. A release of information may need to be filled out in order to communicate with vendors, institutions and organizations regarding the student.



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d. Funding amounts (chart):

Program type	Amount	Grade
Schooling		
Private School	\$ 10,000.00	K-12th
Homeschool	\$ 5,000.00	K-12th
Graduation supplies	\$ 600.00	12th
Graduation stipend	\$ 500.00	12th
Educational Enrichment		
Tutorial		K-12th
Special Education		K-12th
Assessment & testing fees	\$6000 Annually	K-12th
Credit Retrieval		K-12th
Activity		
Extracurricular		Age 3-12 <sup>th</sup> grade
Athletic/Activity wear (\$100 per qtr.)		Age 3-12 <sup>th</sup> grade
Camps	\$4000 Annually *See policy for details and limitations	Age 3-12 <sup>th</sup> grade
Additional Graduation needs		12 <sup>th</sup> grade
Age 0-2 Extracurricular	\$500 Annually *See policy for details and limitations	Age 0-2

- e. Incomplete applications, fraud, misrepresentation:
  - i. Will not fund late fees, lost books, fines, penalties, or gasoline;
  - ii. Must have a current application form, and all documents must be provided in order to process application:
    - (1) If an application is incomplete, the Family Resource Department will send a notification of missing documents to the parent/guardian within two (2) business days.



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- iii. Misuse of funds will automatically disqualify youth for one (1) year of utilizing funds from the Tulalip Tribes Education Division:
  - (1) If found to have misused funds, parent/guardian or adult clients may receive payroll, general welfare or loan deduction or will be required to provide a payback agreement until paid back in full.

# **10. Related Documents**

- a. Activity Application.
- b. Education Assistance Application.
- c. Johnson O' Malley Application.
- d. Graduation Application.