



Bay Mills Indian Community

Higher Education Incentive Program

Application



Program Summary

The Bay Mills Indian Community Higher Education Incentive Program is designed to provide financial awards of achievement to tribal members in pursuit of degrees of higher learning. The incentive program is available to Bay Mills tribal members attending accredited post-secondary institutions providing undergraduate and graduate degrees of study, as well as those institutions providing trade and technical school degrees/certifications.

SECTION 1. MEMBER INFORMATION

| Last Name | First name | Middle | Maiden | Birthdate | Tribal ID# |
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SECTION 2. CONTACT INFORMATION

Telephone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

SECTION 3. SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of College/University: _____

College Address: _____

Expected Degree: (check one)

Certificate Associates Bachelors Masters Medical Law PHD Other (specify)

College Major: _____

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| <p>I will be enrolling as a:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Student</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Student</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Law Student</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> PHD</p> | <p>Enrollment Status:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Full time (12 or more credits)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Part time (less than 12 credits)</p> | <p>Anticipated Graduation Date:</p> <p>Month _____</p> <p>Year _____</p> |
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Do you already have a degree? Yes No If yes what? _____ When? _____

Have you received the higher education incentive before? _____ If yes when? _____

SECTION 4. TRIBAL ENROLLMENT *(Applicant leave blank)*

Tribal Enrollment #: _____

Date of Adoption into Bay Mills Indian Community: _____

Certified by: _____ Date certified: _____

Required Documentation:

Each new academic year, applicant must complete and email the following documents no later than 60 days after the start of the first day of classes to sbelk@baymills.org:

- Incentive application
- Policy Guidelines (read over and sign)
- Copy of letter of acceptance from an eligible institution/or up to date transcripts to show current enrollment
- Copy of an official class schedule and grade report with credit hours (must include your name and school name)
- Copy of degree plan/course plan
- Financial need form with the bottom portion filled out by your institution's financial aid office or equivalent office
- Copy of your Student Aid Report under FAFSA

Certifications and Authorizations:

I declare that the information given by me on this form is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. This information may be shared by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, my Tribe and my selected higher education institution. The incentive payments will be mailed to me. In the event I withdraw from college or fail to maintain a "C" average grade point, I will repay the amount provided by the Tribe, and that if I fail to do so, the Tribe may utilize any and all remedies available under law to obtain reimbursement. I agree and understand that present and future funds due to me on behalf of the Tribe, may be utilized to satisfy this debt, I hereby authorize those deductions. Failure to repay will result in loss of eligibility for future awards from tribally administered funds, and potential court action against me. In accordance with the accountability required for the administration of funds appropriated for this program, certain information is required of the applicant. This form solicits the required information. The intent of collecting and maintaining this data is for determining the eligibility of the applicant and provide the means for producing certain statistical records required of the office. Use of personal data will be available to authorized sources. Failure on the part of the applicant to provide the required information will preclude the applicant from eligibility of obtaining the incentive award.

I have read the above and hereby provide the required information and authorized the use of such information to the extent of the uses specified in the statement.

By signing below, you make the following representations, authorizations, and certifications.

I certify that:

- I am eligible to receive the incentive award under the laws, policy, and rules issued by the Bay Mills Indian Community ("BMIC") in effect at the time this application is submitted.
- **Fraud Statement:** attests to the accuracy of the information in the application, and acknowledges that the any funds received through misrepresentation or fraud will be subject to recovery from the applicant, and that criminal penalties may also be sought.

Signature

Date