

## STUDENT SUCCESS PLANNER

2023-2024









#### **MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF**

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma continually strives to create jobs and economic growth to be able to offer a variety of programs and resources for our Choctaw members. It is our goal to provide opportunities to our members that will help them achieve success for generations to come.

#### VISION

Living out the Chahta spirit of faith, family, and culture.

#### **MISSION**

To the Choctaw proud, ours is the sovereign nation offering opportunities for growth and prosperity.

The High School Student Services program is a terrific opportunity for student success. The program proudly serves more than 3,000 students each year and assists them with college, trade school, or workforce information during and after high school.

All the best,

Chief Gary Batton

Assistant Chief Jack Austin, Jr.



#### **LETTER TO STUDENTS**

Dear High School Student Services Participant,

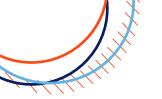
The Choctaw Nation High School Student Services program would like to take this opportunity to thank you for taking an active role in your education. Our program serves students in grades 9th-12th who are Choctaw Tribal Members. The goal of the program is to assist our Choctaw students with academic information to promote education and/or career path beyond high school.

We realize that finding resources can be overwhelming for students and parents alike. Educational advice is essential in preparing students for life after high school and it is important to begin planning early. The High School Student Services program has put together this Student Success Planner as a resource tool to assist Choctaw families as they begin planning for life after high school. I encourage you to review this planner and utilize the information in the book as you make decisions about the future.

Remember, the High School Student Services Program plays a critical role in linking students to various Choctaw Nation education programs. If at any time you have questions, please feel free to call our office. We look forward to meeting you throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

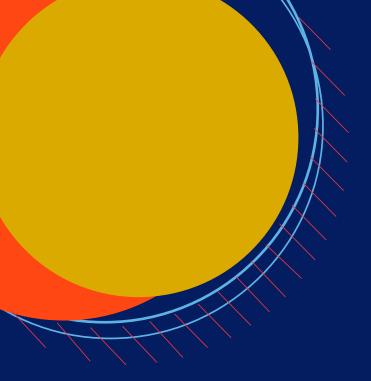
High School Student Services



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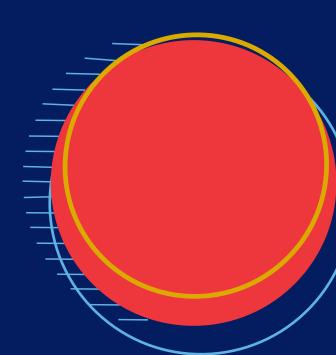
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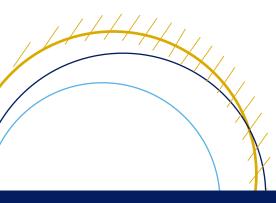
# GRADE LEVEL INFORMATION





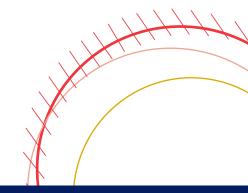
#### FRESHMAN CHECKLIST

#### The checklist below contains information that can help you start planning today. Create a high school plan Starting a four-year plan is a great way to ensure you are ready for graduation and life after high school. - mappingyourfuture.org/collegeprep/ Participate in extracurricular activities Colleges and employers look far beyond your academics. It is good to start getting involved now. - fastweb.com - shadysideacademy.org Start thinking about life after school ◆ Whether you want to go to college, the military, technical school, or begin a career, it is important to start identifying your interests now. - educationplanner.org/students/career-planning/find-careers/ Start saving ◆ No matter what your plans are after graduation, life after high school can get expensive! It is never too early to start saving. - okcollegestart.org/raise.me Consider a practice ACT or SAT ◆ Taking a practice test early can help you learn what to expect and ease your nerves when it's time for the real thing. - ACT.org - Academy.act.org **Oklahoma's Promise** Check website to see if you qualify. - okhighered.org/okpromise Start building your resume • Creating your resume now and adding on awards or new work experience as it happens over the next four years will save you a lot of time after graduation. careeronestop.org



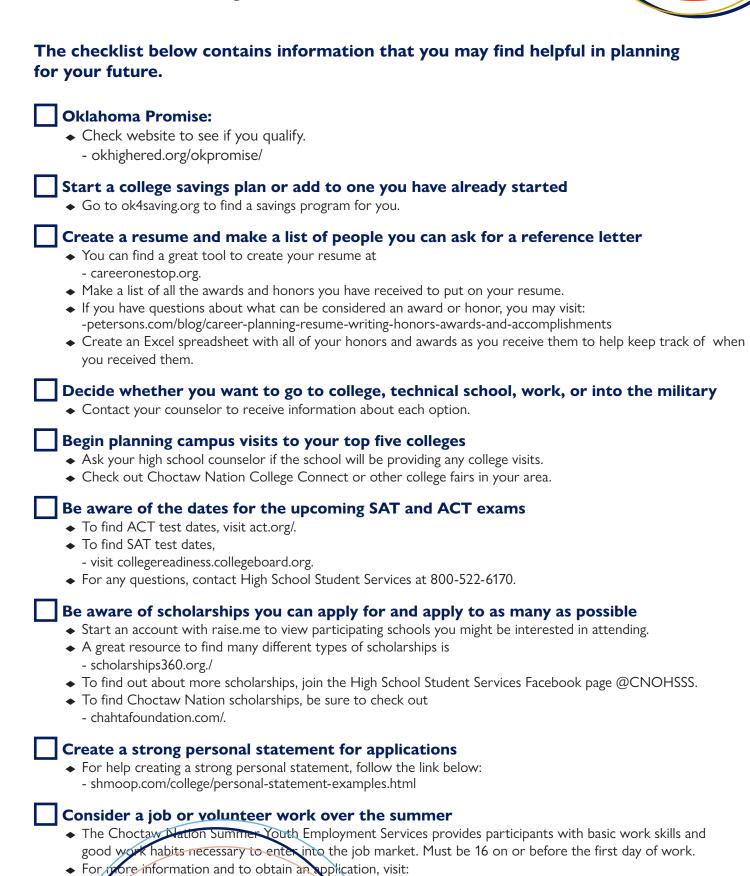
#### SOPHMORE CHECKLIST

The checklist below contains information that you may find helpful in planning for your future. Prepare for the upcoming year by taking challenging classes and getting more involved with extracurricular activities Find out if your school offers Advanced Placement (AP) testing. ◆ Contact our office at 800-522-6170 for more information. Check out this website for a list of extracurricular activities: -fastweb.com Start practice taking the ACT or SAT to improve your score Refer to page 17 for more information about national test dates. ◆ If you would like to register for an ACT Workshop, please call our office at 800-522-6170. Consider a job or volunteer work over the summer ◆ The Choctaw Nation Summer Youth Virtual Job Shadowing provides participants with basic work skills and good work habits necessary to enter into the job market. Must be 16 on or before the first day of work. • For more information and to obtain an application, visit: - choctawnation.com/services/youth-employment-services/ Talk to your family about creating a school budget ◆ Life after high school can be expensive, it is never too early to start saving for school. Oklahoma's Promise can provide students the opportunity to earn a scholarship for college tuition. Oklahoma Promise: Check website to see if you qualify. - okhighered.org/okpromise/ Raise.me is a platform that helps high school students prepare for college by earning scholarships for their achievements in high school - raise.me ◆ Check out the Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan here. - ok4saving.org/ If you haven't already started creating a resume, create one and continue adding to it throughout school Having a resume on file is a great way to keep track of your achievements and can be useful when applying for internships or jobs. Use this website to get started:



- careeronestop.org

#### **JUNIOR CHECKLIST**



choctawnation.com/services/youth-employment-services/

## SENIOR CHECKLIST

The checklist below contains information that you may find helpful as you apply for services and scholarships necessary for the post-secondary path you choose.

#### Get a plan

- Creating a plan only aids in the process of achieving your goals!
- ◆ Update your resume
  - Check out careeronestop.org for free templates and information to create a standout resume.
- ◆ Letters of Recommendation Find a few credible sources to write you letters of recommendation as soon as possible.

### Choctaw Nation Higher Education, Career Development and Chahta Foundation.

- → Higher Education: Scholarships and Grants Concurrent students and students seeking an associate degree or higher.
  - -choctawnation.com/higher-education-0
- Career Development: Tribal members seeking education or careers that require a licensure or certification.
  - choctawcareers.com/
- Chahta Foundation: Competitive scholarship opportunities for Choctaw students chahtafoundation.com
- Youth Employment Services.
  - -https://477etsapp.choctawnation.com/

#### **Scholarships**

- Post-secondary education: Begin applying for scholarships available to you now and in the future.
- → HSSS Facebook: Follow our Facebook page @Choctaw Nation High School Student Services for educational resources/scholarship information and applications.
- Scholarship Sites:
  - -scholarships360.org
  - -okcollegestart.org
  - -Raise.me

#### Be aware of the dates for the upcoming SAT and ACT exams

- ◆ To find ACT test dates, visit act.org/.
- ◆ To find SAT test dates, visit
  - collegereadiness.collegeboard.org.
- ◆ For any questions, contact High School Student Services at 800-522-6170.

#### Applications

- Start working on college and technical school applications as well as your FAFSA application.FAFSA Website: - studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa.
- ◆ Documents needed to complete FAFSA include:
  - -Your Social Security number
  - -Social Security numbers for one or both parents
  - -Driver's License
  - -Tax information

#### College Visits/Career Expos

- College visits are a great way to get to know your top choices and familiarize yourself with their campus.
- ◆ High School Career Expo.

#### Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma High School Student Services

## A C T R

#### **ACT PREP WORKSHOPS 2023-2024**

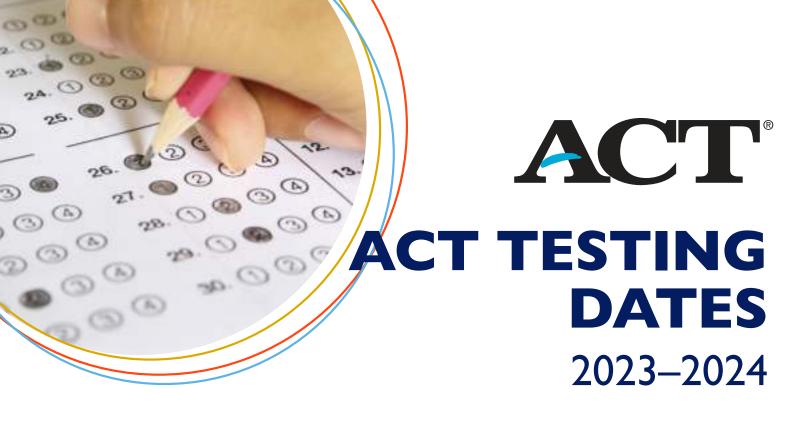
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Thursday, August 31, 2023	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop Poteau Kiamichi Tech		
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Poteau Kiamichi Tech	
Saturday, September 16, 2023	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Virtual via Zoom	
Wednesday, October 11, 2023	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Virtual via Zoom	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Virtual via Zoom	
Friday, October 20, 2023	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Durant Choctaw Nation Headquarters	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Durant Choctaw Nation Headquarters	
Thursday, November 30, 2023	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	McAlester Kiamichi Tech	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	McAlester Kiamichi Tech	
Saturday, January 20, 2024	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Virtual Via Zoom	
Thursday, February 1, 2024	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Idabel Kiamichi Tech	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Idabel Kiamichi Tech	
Tuesday, March 19, 2024	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Virtual via Zoom	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Virtual via Zoom	
Thursday, April 4, 2024	9:00 AM	ACT Prep Workshop	Hugo Kiamichi Tech	
	12:00 PM	Scholarship Workshop	Hugo Kiamichi Tech	

Choctaw students who are members of High School Student Services will have their ACT Workshop fees paid for by the HSSS program. Students must register for ACT Workshops, please see contact information below.

You must be a High School Students Services member to attend the ACT workshops.

\* ACT Workshop dates, times, and locations are subject to change without notice. Please call the High School Student Services office at 800.522.6170 the day before your scheduled workshop to confirm.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SERVICES MEMBERS CALL: **580.924.8280**TOLL FREE: **800.522.6170** 

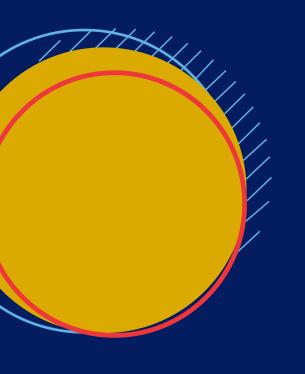


TEST DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE	LATE FEE REQUIRED DATE	PHOTO UPLOAD AND STANDBY DEADLINE
September 9, 2023	August 4	August 18	September 1
October 28, 2023	September 22	October 6	October 20
December 9, 2023	November 3	November 17	December 1
February 10, 2024	January 5	January 19	February 2
April 13, 2024	March 8	March 22	April 5
June 8, 2024	May 3	May 17	May 31
July 13, 2024*	June 7	June 21	July 5

 $^{st}$  No test centers are scheduled in New York for the July test date.

Test Information Release for the 2023-2024 testing year will occur in September, April, and June.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT WWW.ACT.ORG/THE-ACT/TIR WWW.ACT.ORG



## CHOCTAW PROGRAMS



### CHAHTA ANUMPA AIIKHVNA SCHOOL OF CHOCTAW LANGUAGE

#### MISSION STATEMENT

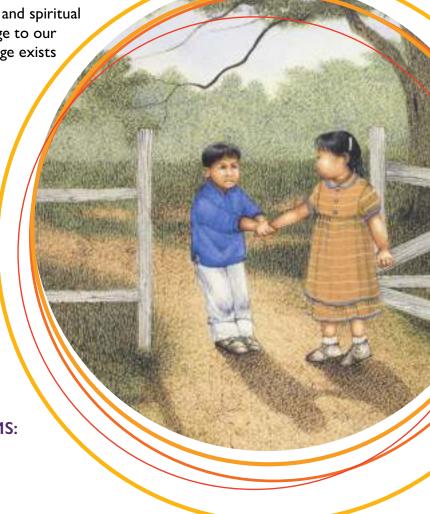
The Language Program of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma continues in the endeavor of revitalizing and perpetuating our language and culture to anyone who desires to learn the language. We will provide multiple avenues to reach all levels of learners. Historical information, cultural knowledge, and traditional customs are included within language instruction. With faith and spiritual guidance, we will preserve and promote the language to our tribal members with the knowledge that our language exists as a distinct feature of our tribal sovereignty.

### CHAHTA ANUMPA TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Provides a full scholarship to Choctaw individuals interested in completing a Teacher Education program and, upon certification/licensure becoming a Choctaw Language Teacher. The coursework for this scholarship must lead to a Bachelor of Arts in Education within the awarded time. Selected participants must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above and full-time student status during the scholarship time. All participants must sign a 'Participant Agreement' before services begin. The Chahta Anumpa Scholarship Committee will select participants.

#### CHAHTA ANUMPA AIIKHVNA PROGRAMS:

- Apprentice program
- Scholarship program
- Self-paced language courses
- Online zoom classes
- Community classes
- Online dictionary
- Lesson of the day
- Audio files

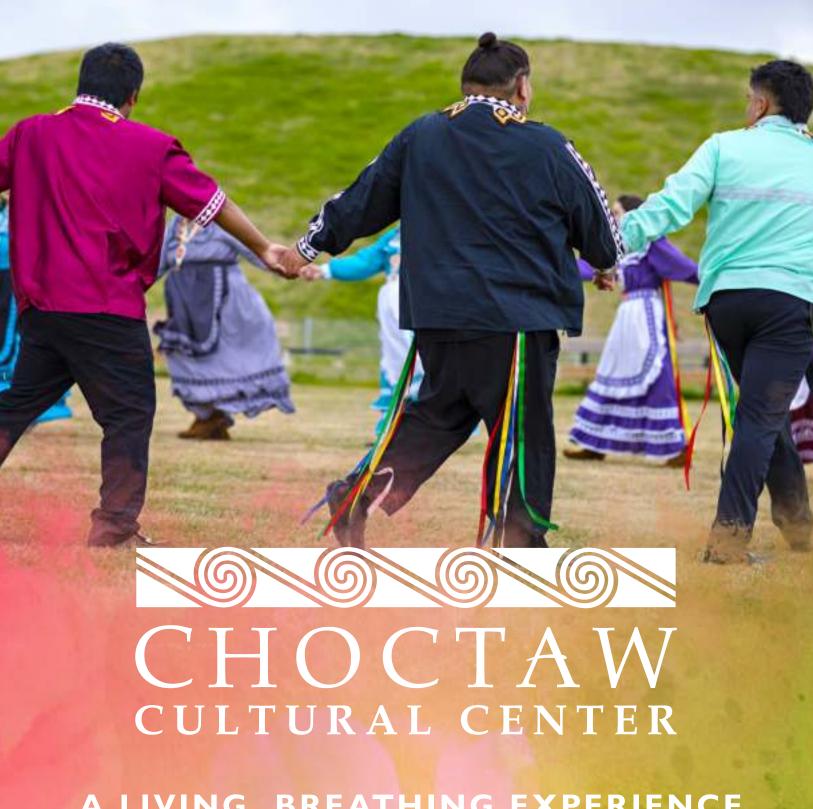


FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170









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## HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SERVICES



To assist our students with academic information to promote education and/or career path beyond high school.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY:

- Must be Tribal Member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- Must be attending an accredited high school, grades 9-12, and verified by the High School Student Services staff
- Each student must have a signed Student Record Release form on file with the Choctaw Nation High School Student Services program

#### **SERVICES AVAILABLE**

- Ikhvna Atoksvli Monthly School Workshops
- Student Academic & Career Advising
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Scholarship Information & Workshops
- Student Academic & Career Advising
- ACT Prep Workshops
- Individualized Development Plans

#### PRE-APPROVED REIMBURSEMENTS:

- ACT/SAT Test Fees
- ACT/SAT Study Guides (up to \$20)
- ACT/SAT Prep Workshops (up to \$30)
- Drivers Education Courses (up to \$100)
- AP Test Fees
- Career Tech Expenses (up to \$100)
- Post-Secondary Fees (up to \$100)
- Cap & Gown (up to \$50)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170 OR EMAIL

HIGHSCHOOLSTUDENTSERVICES@CHOCTAWNATION.COM









The JOM Program provides supplemental funding to contracted public schools within the Choctaw Nations reservation. These funds are used to meet the specialized and unique educational needs of eligible students. Eligible students are Native Americans from age 3 through grade 12, who are verified as members or whose parents are members of a federally recognized tribe, except those students who are enrolled in Bureau or sectarian-operated schools.

The Johnson-O'Malley Supplemental Indian Education Program Modernization Act PL 115-404, will seek to obtain a complete update of the student count for eligible Native American students while increasing participation around the country from schools and Tribes. It will initiate conversations with the Department of the Interior and BIE regarding the modernization of rules and regulations for Johnson-O'Malley Programs. As well as reinforce the recognition of Tribal sovereignty and the respect of federal treaty rights.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Eligible students are:
- Native Americans age three through grade twelve
- Verified members or whose parents are members of a federally recognized tribe
- Cannot be enrolled in Bureau or sectarian-operated schools
- Live in the Choctaw Nation reservation

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **800.522.6170**OR EMAIL **JOM@CHOCTAWNATION.COM** 

Scan to learn more on how to apply for the program.













### YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

EMPOWERING STUDENTS TO INSPIRE POSITIVE CHANGE THROUGH SERVANT LEADERSHIP

**AVAILABLE TO ALL 8TH-**

12TH GRADE STUDENTS

WHO LIVE IN THE

**CHOCTAW NATION** 

**SERVICE AREA** 



CONTACT A LOCAL YAB CHAPTER TODAY:

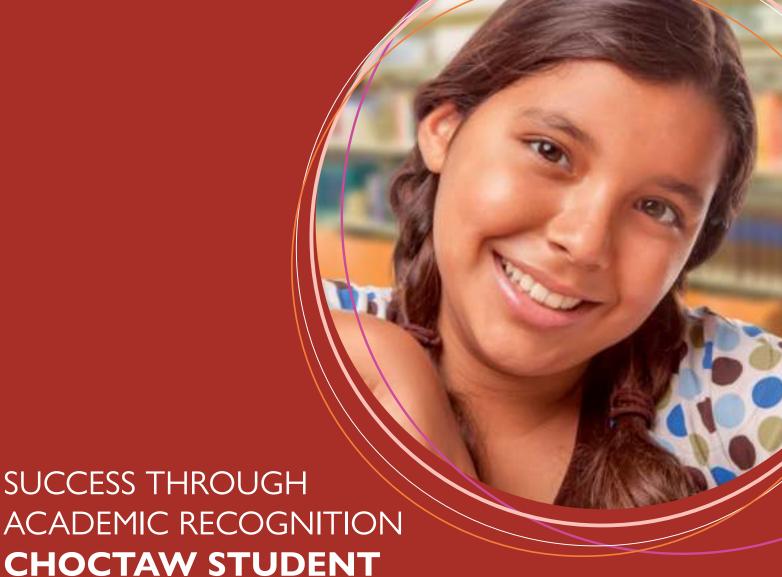
CHOCTAWNATION.COM/SERVICES/YAB FACEBOOK.COM/CNYAB

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170 OR EMAIL YAB@CHOCTAWNATION.COM









#### **GET REWARDED FOR GRADES AND PERFECT ATTENDANCE!**

The STAR Program application is now available through Chahta Achyffa, the Choctaw Nation's official member portal. Parents and guardians can now apply for rewards for their students in 2nd - 12th grade in the Fall and Spring semesters, providing final semester grades.

NOTE: Individual schools will no longer apply for STAR rewards on the student's behalf.

#### INCENTIVES ARE GIVEN TWICE A YEAR AT THE END OF EACH SEMESTER, FOR THE **FOLLOWING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- All A's receive \$50 gift card
- All A's and B's receive \$25 gift card
- Perfect Attendance: \$25 gift card

APPLICATION PERIOD: FALL, JAN 1 - APR 1 | SPRING, JUN 1 - SEP 1

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170 OR VISIT CHOCTAWNATION.COM/SERVICES/STAR













STUDENT SCHOOL **AND ACTIVITY** 

**FUND** 

The Choctaw Nation offers a \$100 grant to Choctaw tribal students who are attending 3-yearold head start through high school. The grant is provided one time each funding year and will be on a Visa card specifically for clothing; it will be declined at ATMs, gas stations, restaurants, movie theaters, etc.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Students must possess a Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma tribal membership card (This is not the CDIB).
- Students must be at least 3-years-old in head start/daycare setting through 12th grade.
- If the student is between ages 19 to 21 attending high school additional school enrollment documentation will be required.

**APPLICATIONS OPEN JUNE 1 - AUGUST 31, 2023** 

APPLY ONLINE CHAHTAACHVFFA.CHOCTAWNATION.COM OR CALL **580.634.0681** 













The Choctaw Nation offers online High School Equivalency classes for Choctaw members nationwide who did not finish high school. Our program is also open to Native American students who live in the Choctaw Nation Reservation Area and non-tribal Choctaw Nation associates.

Most students complete the program within 12 weeks of study. A \$250 incentive is available to students enrolled in the program upon completion. All books, supplies and testing fees are provided to tribal members. Non-tribal Choctaw Nation associates must pay their own testing fees.

#### **APPLY TODAY**

Students can fill out the Adult Education application at Chahta Achvffa, ChoctawNation.com/Adult-Education.

You must provide the following documentation when applying:

- CDIB or Tribal Membership
- Current Driver's License or State Issued ID

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170 OR EMAIL ADULTED@CHOCTAWNATION.COM OR VISIT CHOCTAWNATION.COM/ADULT-EDUCATION









CHAHTA **FOUNDATION** 

#### WE ARE THE HOME FOR CHOCTAW COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Chahta Foundation offers competitve scholarships for Choctaw students, including general degrees to specialized areas such as healthcare and business.

Any Choctaw student pursuing a college degree is encouraged to apply for these competitive scholarships.

#### **APPLY TODAY**

- Dozens of scholarship opportunities
- High school senior to doctorate-level degrees
- Universal application
- Apply once for multiple opportunities
- New opportunities every year
- Ability to reapply each year
- Online application that works with your mobile device

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170 OR EMAIL INFO@CHAHTAFOUNDATION.COM OR VISIT CHAHTAFOUNDATION.COM











CONCURRENT STUDENTS

The Choctaw Nation Higher Education Program offers assistance for tribal member high school students who are concurrently enrolled at anaccredited college or university.

#### TO APPLY, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AND UPLOAD THE FOLLOWING:

- An updated high school transcript
- Complete college transcript
- FERPA Authorization form
- CDIB membership card
- College class schedule
- A 2018 IRS.gov W9 form with the student's information

#### **APPLICATION DATES:**

- Fall Application: August 1 October 1
- Spring Application: January 2 March 1
- Summer Application: May 1 June 15

TO APPLY, VISIT CHAHTAACHVFFA.CHOCTAWNATION.COM











**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS** 

The Choctaw Nation Higher Education Program offers assistance for all tribal member students who are enrolled at an accredited college or university.

#### TO APPLY, UPLOAD THE FOLLOWING TO OUR WEBPAGE:

- College ID documentation
- CDIB Membership Card

- College class schedule
- Complete college transcript

#### **APPLICATION DATES:**

- Fall Application: August 1 October 1
- Spring Application: January 2 March 1
- Summer Application: May 1 June 15

TO APPLY, VISIT CHAHTAACHVFFA.CHOCTAWNATION.COM











The Choctaw Nation offers a one-time college clothing allowance for full-time and part-time status students throughout the United States who are currently attending an accredited college or university.

Students must be a member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and completed at least 12 college credit hours.

**APPLICATION OPEN JANUARY 2 TO MARCH 1** 

APPLY NOW **CHAHTAACHVFFA.CHOCTAWNATION.COM**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **580.642.7102** 







## COLLEGE TECHNOLOGY ALLOWANCE

- Must be enrolled in at least 3 credit hours for the current spring semester
- One-time stipend

- Must have earned at least 12 college credit hours overall
- Must have a college cumulative GPA of at least 2.0

THE OPENING DATE FOR THIS APPLICATION IS JANUARY 2
THE CLOSING DATE FOR THIS APPLICATION IS MARCH 1

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 580.642.7102





















## **COLLEGE FRESHMAN** YEAR INITIATIVE

The goal of the College Freshman Year Initiative (FYI) is to create a community among Choctaw students, their college campus, and our staff wherein freshman students are empowered to make informed decisions and develop academic and life skills to become confident, proactive, and accountable participants in their college education. In order to achieve this goal, we've placed Choctaw College Counselors on the campuses of Southeastern Oklahoma State University-Durant, Carl Albert State College-Poteau, and Eastern Oklahoma State College-Wilburton to closely assist Choctaw students throughout their freshman year and foster success through graduation.

If you are a first-time freshman, a Choctaw Tribal Member, and are considering attending one of these schools, please call our office today.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 800.522.6170









## CLASSROOM TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Services are available to eligible CDIB Cardholders aged 18 and older living within the Choctaw Nation Reservation attending vocational training, colleges, or universities.

Assistance paying for short term vocational training and certifications.

Bi-weekly incentive payments for students attending and participating in class in their last two years of vocational training, associate or bachelor's degrees programs may be available.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

FALL SEMESTER – SEPTEMBER 15TH SPRING SEMESTER – FEBRUARY 15TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **580-642-8432**OR VISIT **CHOCTAWNATION.COM/SERVICES/ADULT-EMPLOYMENT-TRAINING**/







## **CAMP CHAHTA**

The camp is designed to orient first-year students to college life and create a close-knit community of Choctaw students.







918.647.1423

580.745.3314

918.465.1705



For more information on the Camp Chahta scan the QR code or visit choctawnation.com/services/college-fyi/









#### CAREER DEVELOPMENT VISION

CAREER

PASSION

The Choctaw Nation Career Development Program works to enhance the lives of Choctaw Tribal Members. Career Development provides opportunities for education and training that lead to industry recognized certifications or licensures and self-sustaining employment.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Interested participants must be Post-Secondary Choctaw Tribal Members. Proof of membership will be required for access to services.

#### **AVAILABLE SERVICES**

- Career Guidance Services
- **Assessment Testing**
- Academic Remediation

- Financial Assistance for Quality Training
- Soft Skills
- **Employment Services**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 866.933.2260

Scan to learn more on how to apply for the program.















## CAREER TECH CONCURRENT ASSISTANCE

#### **ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Career Development offers assistance for high school junior and senior students enrolled at a Career and Technology Center and live within Oklahoma. This service will assist Choctaw students with out-of-pocket expenses required to attend training at a Technology Center.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CAREER TECH CONCURRENT PROGRAM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- Choctaw tribal member that is a junior or senior in high school residing in Oklahoma
- Enrolled in an approved Oklahoma Career Tech Program
- Completed Application
- Completed FERPA
- Transcript from High School
- Current High School schedule that shows Career Technology classes
- List of fees, tuition, or supplies that all students are required to purchase to complete the class.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **866.933.2260** OR EMAIL **TGILES@CHOCTAWNATION.COM** 



Scan to learn more about the program.















MILITARY MENTORING

ARE YOU A JUNIOR OR SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRIBAL MEMBER CONSIDERING A CAREER IN THE MILITARY?

We have mentors who are available to answer your questions concerning military service!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL **866.933.2260**OR EMAIL **TGILES@CHOCTAWNATION.COM** 







YOUTH **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES** 

DO YOU NEED A JOB?

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Services offered to all eligible CDIB Cardholders aged 16-21 living within the Choctaw Nation Reservation
- Opportunities available in service learning and work environments, including apprenticeships, internships, mentorships, job shadowing and other on the job opportunities.
- Participants must be ages 16 to 21 on or before first day of work

Scan to learn more on how to apply for the program.



APPLICATION OPEN FROM JANUARY 1ST - APRIL 1ST FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 580-642-6401 OR 580-380-5255









# WHERE INTERNSHIPS LEAD TO MORE THAN JUST A JOB

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Internship Program provides opportunities for Choctaw college students to gain career fundamentals while earning college credits.

The CNO Internship Program is a paid program that allows students rewarding opportunities both academically and professionally.

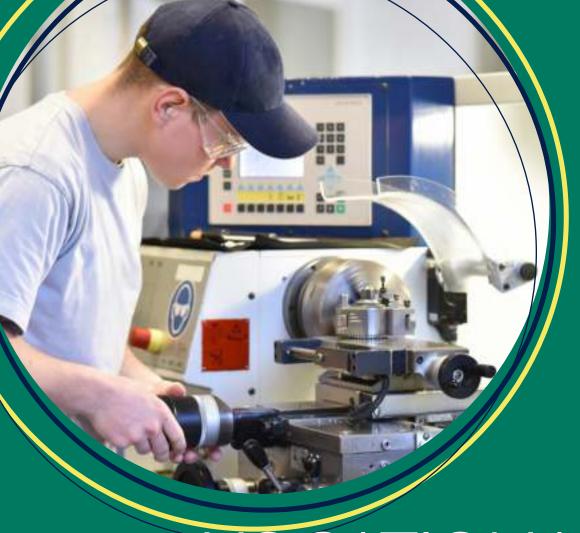
The program is temporary but could lead to regular employment upon graduation.

SPACE IS LIMITED, SO SIGN UP TODAY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

CAREERS.CHOCTAWNATION.COM

EMAIL INTERNSHIPS@CHOCTAWNATION.COM



## VOCATIONAL **DEVELOPMENT**

#### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING ASSISTANCE**

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Vocational Development Program can offer financial assistance and incentive for education/training programs.

#### Guidelines:

- At least 1/8 Native American and have a CDIB showing the degree of Native American blood .
- Be a high school graduate or have completed a GED course
- Live within the Choctaw boundaries
- Be enrolled at a program approved, college, training institute or Career Tech as a full-time student

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 866.933.2260











## VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

The Choctaw Nation Vocational Rehabilitation Program offers services to assist American Indians with disabilities attain their goal of gainful employment. This program is designed to provide services consistent with individual consumers' strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice so they may prepare for and engage in gainful employment.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Must have a physical or mental impairment which constitutes a substantial impediment to employment
- A presumption that the applicant can benefit in terms of an employment outcome from the provision of VR services unless the program can demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the individual is incapable of benefiting from VR services for an employment outcome
- A determination that the applicant requires VR services to prepare for, enter into, engage in, or retain gainful employment consistent with the applicant's strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, and informed choices
- Applicants must reside within the Choctaw Nation reservation
- Must be a member of the Choctaw Nation or another federally recognized tribe

#### **EXAMPLES OF DISABILITIES**

- Amputations
- Blindness and other visual impairments
- Head injuries
- Deaf/Hard of hearing
- Learning disability
- Mental health disorders

- Orthopedic impairments
- Seizure disorders
- Speech problems
- Spinal cord injuries
- Diabetes

#### **EXAMPLES OF SERVICES PROVIDED**

- Medical, psychological and vocational evaluations
- Assistive devices such as artificial limbs, hearing aids, wheelchairs, etc.
- Vocational training in schools, colleges and onthe-job
- Transportation during vocational rehabilitation
- Placement on the right job
- A follow-up to ensure the worker and job are properly matched
- Traditional and cultural services



CALL **580.642.6007** 

OR VISIT CHOCTAWNATION.COM/SERVICES/ VOCATIONAL-REHABILITATION/



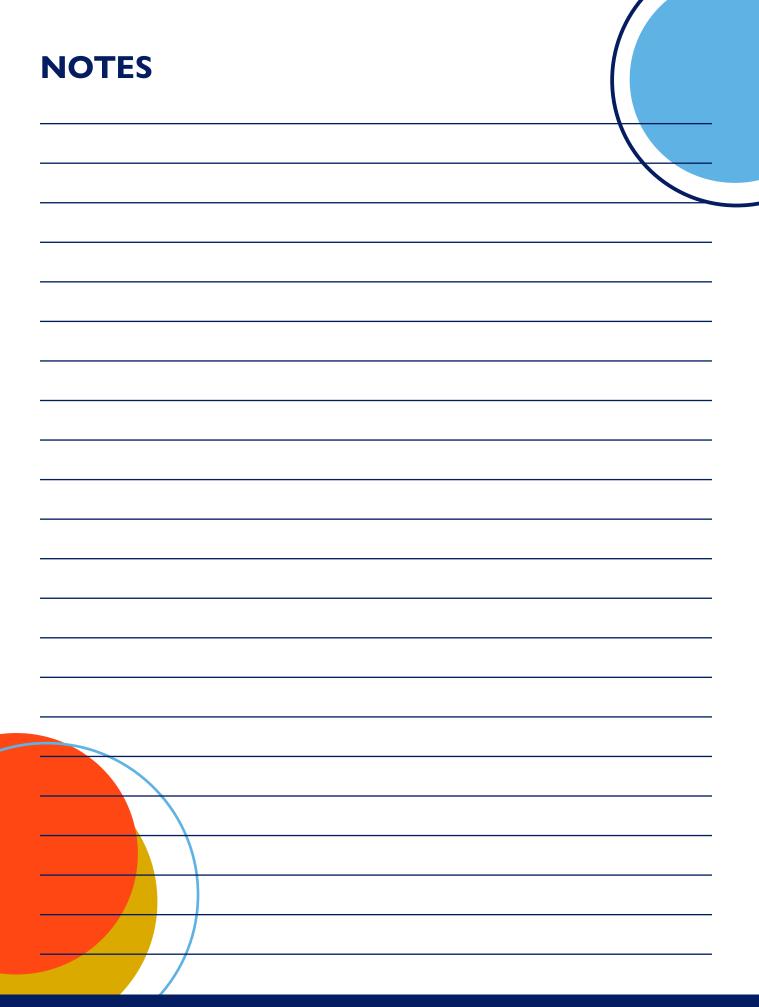


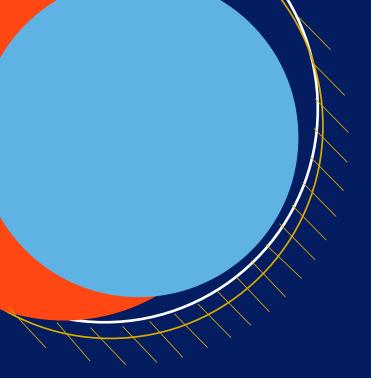






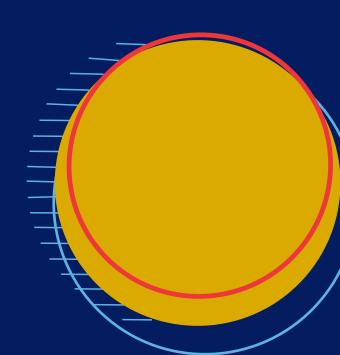
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# ARE YOU READY FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL?





# DO YOU HAVE A PLAN FOR COLLEGE?

Oklahoma's official guide to preparing for college



**High School Juniors and Seniors** 

# WHAT'S YOUR PLAN FOR COLLEGE?

Right now, college probably seems a million miles away. But NOW is the best time to start making plans for what happens after high school. You don't have to make any big decisions yet, but the sooner you start thinking about what you're interested in doing for a living, the easier your choices will be later. Where are you headed after graduation? What do you have to do to get there? Don't know where to start? You're not alone! Read this booklet to get some good ideas about how to begin your journey. Then talk to your family and school counselor about your plan for college.

### WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- You'll have the time to explore your interests, discover things you didn't know and set new goals.
- College is fun! You'll meet interesting people and make new friends.
- You'll learn how to learn how to think critically, solve problems and develop new skills.
- A degree can take you out of a minimum-wage job and into a good-paying career you enjoy. Studies prove it: continue your education after high school, and you're likely to make more money and enjoy a better life.

### **WOKCOLLEGESTART.ORG**

CLICK·COMPARE·CHOOSE

OKcollegestart.org is the official source for planning a college education in Oklahoma and offers interactive tools to help you prepare and pay for college. The website provides information about admission requirements, financial aid and scholarships, college costs and more. You can search by keywords and receive personalized results to compare colleges.

### LET'S TALK MONEY

### WITHOUT A DEGREE

Let's say you decide to skip college and take a job as a data entry keyer. You'll get paid about \$15 an hour, which is approximately \$2,136 a month or \$25,632 per year in take-home pay.

### WITH A DEGREE

Now let's say you take the time to explore careers, go that extra mile and graduate from college with a degree in computer programming. As a computer programmer, you'll make about \$39 an hour. That's \$4,880 a month or \$58,560 per year in take-home pay.

### **GROSS PAY**

\$2,600 month

less taxes, Social Security and Medicare

### TAKE-HOME PAY

\$2,136 month

### **GROSS PAY**

\$6,760 month

less taxes, Social Security and Medicare

### TAKE-HOME PAY

\$4,880 month

### THE MORE YOU LEARN, THE MORE YOU CAN EARN

In fact, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, someone with a bachelor's degree earns about 50% more than someone with just a high school diploma. That makes a huge impact on your monthly paycheck and can help you afford the lifestyle you want.

### **GLOSSARY**

If any of the terms used in this publication are unfamiliar to you, check out the glossary in the *Prepare for College* section under the *College Planning* tab at **OKcollegestart.org**.



### WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DEGREE MAKES

Associate or Bachelor's Degree	Moderate On-the-Job Experience	
Computer Programmer	Data Entry Keyer	
\$39.49 per hour	\$15.40 per hour	
Architect or Engineer	Construction Laborer	
\$40.48 per hour	\$15.63 per hour	
Animal Scientist	Veterinary Assistant	
\$20.46 per hour	\$12.72 per hour	
Detective/Criminal Investigator	Security Guard	
\$31.70 per hour	\$15.49 per hour	
Preschool Teacher (except Special Education)	Child Care Worker	
\$14.57 per hour	\$9.82 per hour	
Registered Nurse	Nursing Assistant	
\$31.15 per hour	\$12.51 per hour	

Source: Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, Oklahoma Wage Report 2019

### CAREERS

Want to investigate your skills and interests and explore career options that may be right for you? Check out the *Career Planning* tab at **OKcollegestart.org**.

### OKLAHOMA MONEY MATTERS

To learn more about earning income and managing money, check out Oklahoma Money Matters (OKMM). OKMM offers information and resources to help students and parents prepare financially for college, strengthen family financial planning and empower young adults with money management skills for independent living. Visit OklahomaMoneyMatters.org or call 800.970.OKMM (6566).



### **COURSES TO TAKE**

You must take certain courses in high school to graduate and for admission to an Oklahoma public college or university. These requirements will prepare you for college, and you'll learn valuable skills in case you decide to get a job right out of high school.

SUBJECT	UNITS	
English	4 units	
Mathematics	3 units	
Laboratory Science	3 units	
History and Citizenship Skills	3 units	
Other	2 units	
TOTAL	15 UNITS	



For more information about the specific courses you must take to earn a "standard" high school diploma, visit <a href="Missand:OKcollegestart.org">OKcollegestart.org</a>. Remember that requirements may change, and they may be different for private colleges and universities, so always check with your counselor for details.

# THINK AHEAD

A great way to speed up your college career is to consider earning college credit even before you graduate from high school — as early as your junior year. Taking advantage of opportunities such as Advanced Placement (AP) courses and concurrent enrollment can save you time, tuition, and room and board, and will also prepare you for the demands of college. To learn more, visit <a href="OKcollegestart.org">OKcollegestart.org</a> and ask your high school counselor what options are available at your school.

### COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS

For more information about preparing for the ACT exam, visit <u>ACT.org</u>, and for information about preparing for the SAT exam, visit <u>SAT.org</u>. Visit <u>OKcollegestart.org</u> to learn more about preparing for college entrance exams and take the free practice tests for the ACT and SAT. Talk to your counselor about taking the ACT and SAT.

### **GRADES TO MAKE**

If you want to attend an Oklahoma college or university, you must meet certain requirements. When you apply for admission, public colleges and universities will look at:

- Your score on a national standardized test (ACT or SAT).
- Your overall grade point average (GPA) and ranking within your high school class OR
- Your GPA in the 15 core courses required for college entry.

For more information about 2020-21 admission requirements for first-time entering students at Oklahoma public colleges and universities, visit <u>OKcollegestart.org/College\_Planning/Prepare\_for\_College/grades\_to\_make</u>. You can also talk to your school counselor or check with the college(s) you want to attend.

NOTE: While all students are encouraged to take the ACT or SAT if the tests are available, public colleges and universities will be authorized to use multiple measures of student performance to make admission and placement decisions for the fall 2021 semester. For more information, students should contact the admissions office at the college or university they would like to attend.

### THE CHOICE

Choosing where to go to college is an important decision. Your selection will affect your future and even your success as a student. Here are some things to think about.

- Location: Are you willing to move away from home? Do you prefer a city or country setting? Do you want to live on campus?
- Type of school: Do you want to go to a large or small school?
- Admission requirements: How are your grades and test scores?
- Academics: What do you want to study?
- Financial aid: How much financial assistance do you need? Can the campus provide you with aid (scholarships, part-time employment)?
- Activities: Which campus offers the best options for your interests?

# CAMPUS VISITS Still undecided about which college to attend? Schedule some college visits to the schools you might be interested in attending. These visits can help you make a more educated decision. While on your campus visits, talk to as many people as you can and don't pass up a chance to ask questions. Use the Making the Most of Campus Visits guide found at <a href="https://www.ucan.org/publications/HS">UCanGo2.org/publications/HS</a> to make your trip a success. Many schools now offer virtual campus tours. To find a list of participating colleges, visit <a href="https://www.ucan.org/college\_Planning/Explore\_Schools/Explore\_Schools">OKcollegestart.org/College\_Planning/Explore\_Schools/Explore\_Schools</a>.

# Types of schools and degrees

### **RESEARCH UNIVERSITY**

An institution that grants bachelor's, graduate and professional degrees and offers a wide variety of courses and degree programs. Generally, they have large student bodies and expansive campuses.

### REGIONAL UNIVERSITY

An institution that offers bachelor's and master's degrees, and in some instances, associate or professional degrees. They tend to have mid-sized student populations and campuses.

### PUBLIC LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY

An institution that grants bachelor's degrees in arts and science fields, including humanities. A public liberal arts university tends to have smaller class sizes that facilitate close interaction between faculty and students.

### **COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

An institution that grants associate degrees for transfer to four-year institutions or for career preparation. They usually offer flexible class schedules with smaller class sizes.

### **TECHNICAL BRANCH**

An institution that grants applied associate degrees, some Bachelor of Technology degrees and a limited number of associate degrees for transfer to four-year institutions. Technical branches have a special emphasis on education and training in technical fields.

### CERTIFICATE

A credential awarded for an organized program of study that does not lead to an academic degree.

## ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (A.A.) OR ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE (A.S.) DEGREE

A degree awarded upon completion of two years of full-time college work (at least 60 credit hours) that is designed to transfer to a four-year university. The State Regents recognize these two types of associate degrees that transfer to any state system university.

# ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (A.A.S.) DEGREE

A degree requiring two years of full-time college work (at least 60 credit hours) that emphasizes an occupational specialty and is designed to lead the individual directly to employment. Some A.A.S. degrees may lead to a Bachelor of Technology degree.

### **BACHELOR'S DEGREE**

A degree requiring four years of full-time college work (at least 120 credit hours). The State Regents recognize three types of bachelor's degrees — Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of (Specialty), such as Music, Education, etc.

To learn more about selecting the right school for you, check out the *Explore Schools* section under the *College Planning* tab at **OKcollegestart.org**.

### PAYING FOR COLLEGE

College costs vary; some institutions are more expensive than others, especially for out-of-state students. Fortunately, the cost of attending an Oklahoma public college or university is among the lowest in the nation. In addition, the availability of financial aid from various sources can make college even more affordable for qualified students.

### 2020-21 ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR RESIDENT STUDENTS

Oklahoma Public Colleges and Universities (30 credit hours)

EXPENSES	RESEARCH	REGIONAL	COMMUNITY	TECHNICAL
EAFENSES	UNIVERSITIES	UNIVERSITIES	COLLEGES	BRANCHES
TUITION	\$5,072	\$5,665	\$3,386	\$4,203
MANDATORY FEES	\$3,968	\$1,605	\$1,212	\$991

Visit <u>OKcollegestart.org</u> and select *How Much Does College Cost?* on the *Financial Aid 101* page under the *Financial Aid Planning* tab for a more detailed breakdown of costs, including room and board.

# Types of Financial Aid

There are four different types of financial aid available: scholarships, grants, work-study and student loans. To learn more about financial aid, visit **OKcollegestart.org**.

### WHAT'S THE FAFSA?

To apply for federal financial aid (grants, work-study and student loans) and the Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant Program (OTAG), you and your parents must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Oklahoma's Promise recipients will also be required to complete the FAFSA each year. You'll need to have your parents' tax return(s) – along with yours – to complete the FAFSA. Even if you don't think you need financial aid (or qualify for it), fill out the FAFSA anyway. Most students qualify for some form of federal financial aid! Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after Oct. 1 of your senior year and prior to each year you need financial aid for college. Visit **StartWithFAFSA.org** to find FAFSA completion tools, including video tutorials available in English and Spanish.

### FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

- Don't wait. Fill out the FAFSA as soon as possible after Oct. 1 of your senior year and prior to every year you need financial aid. Many students don't realize they may qualify for federal aid such as grants, scholarships, work-study or low-cost student loans. Learn more at FAFSA.gov.
- Explore OKcollegestart.org and UCanGo2.org to learn more about paying for college. Start researching the colleges you're interested in and learn what types of financial aid they offer.
- Find out if scholarships are available in the fields you're interested in and what the requirements are, so you can plan early to apply. Scholarships are called "free money" because they don't have to be paid back. Students qualify for scholarships based on financial need, grades, talents and life experiences.
- Ask family members to open an Oklahoma 529 College Savings Plan (OCSP) account by calling 877.654.7284 or visiting **ok4saving.org**. OCSP offers tax advantages for families, and funds can be used at nearly all colleges and universities in the United States.
- Learn about the student financial aid application process and programs by calling or visiting the websites for the resources listed in this brochure.

### TIPS FOR SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS

GO LOCAL.

Many clubs, civic organizations and churches offer scholarships. If you aren't sure, ask! Applying locally for scholarships means you're competing against fewer people.

DO THE "WRITE" THING.

Many scholarships require an essay, but don't let that discourage you. Scholarships that require essays have fewer applicants, which means you have a greater chance of winning the award.

DON'T MISS THE BOAT.

Apply for as many scholarships as possible and keep track of the requirements for each one so you don't miss out on free money by forgetting to include your transcript or submitting your application after the deadline.

### DO YOUR RESEARCH.

Set up an appointment with your school counselor to talk about your scholarship options. Many colleges post available scholarships on their websites. Check with the school(s) you plan to attend to learn about scholarships they may offer.



### JUNIOR CHECKLIST

- Take core classes that meet college entrance requirements.
- If you signed up for Oklahoma's Promise in the eighth-10th grade, use the curriculum checklist at <a href="OKPromise.org">OKPromise.org</a> to keep track of your courses, continue to make good grades and stay out of trouble.
- Explore opportunities to earn college credit while still in high school, like concurrent enrollment and AP courses.
- Prepare to take ACT/SAT exams. You may want to take these more than once to raise your score. Visit OKcollegestart.org to take free practice exams.
- Attend college fairs in your area. Visit <u>GoToCollegeFairs.com</u> to find a list of all fairs close to you, and ask about colleges offering virtual college fairs.
- When you narrow the list of schools you're interested in, schedule campus visits or visit <a href="Mkcollegestart.org/College\_Planning/Explore\_Schools/Explore\_Schools">OKcollegestart.org/College\_Planning/Explore\_Schools/Explore\_Schools</a> to review virtual tour options.
- Explore OKcollegestart.org and UCanGo2.org to learn more about paying for college. Start researching the colleges you're interested in and learn what types of financial aid they offer. Search and apply for scholarships on OKcollegestart.org and UCanGo2.org. We recommend juniors apply for one or two scholarships per week.

### SENIOR CHECKLIST

- Talk to your family and school counselor about your goals after high school.
- Research grants and scholarships available through your school, business community and local civic organizations. Search and apply for scholarships on <a href="Microsecular-business-scholar-bus
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as possible after Oct. 1 of your senior year and prior to each year you need financial aid. The FAFSA is used to determine your eligibility for most types of financial aid, including federal (and some state) grants, work-study programs, student loans and scholarships.
- Visit <u>FSAID.ed.gov</u> to request a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) and submit your FAFSA online.
- Submit admission and financial aid applications to the college(s) of your choice; pay close attention to deadlines.
- Review your Student Aid Report (SAR) for accuracy. Any inaccurate items need to be corrected, either at <u>FAFSA.gov</u> or by contacting your college's financial aid office.
- Respond quickly to any requests from colleges and universities for additional information.

Review more detailed junior and senior checklists at <a href="UCanGo2.org/publications/HS">UCanGo2.org/publications/HS</a>.

### **COLLEGE PLANNING RESOURCES**

Remember, OKcollegestart.org is your one-stop shop for interactive college planning tools and information about career exploration, selecting a college or university, ACT/SAT test prep, financial aid and more. Open a free student account and find OKcollegestart.org on Facebook today! OKcollegestart.org or 866.443.7420



UCanGo2 provides resources and information to demonstrate the value of higher education, inspire confidence to support academic achievement, and help students plan, prepare and pay for education after high school. Find UCanGo2 on Facebook today! <a href="UCanGo2.org">UCanGo2.org</a> or 866.443.7420



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- College Questions Answered Promptly studentinfo@osrhe.edu
- ACT Student Center actstudent.org

- Federal Student Aid studentaid.gov
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
   FAFSA.gov
   StartWithFAFSA.org
- Oklahoma GEAR UP okgearup.org
- Oklahoma Tuition Aid Grant Program (OTAG) otag.org

# OKLAHOMA PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Current as of September 2020

### RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES

- Oklahoma State University, Stillwater okstate.edu, 800.233.5019
- OSU Center for Health Sciences, Tulsa healthsciences.okstate.edu, 800.677.1972
- 3. OSU-Tulsa osu-tulsa.okstate.edu, 800.364.0710
- 4. University of Oklahoma, Norman ou.edu, 800.234.6868
- 5. OU Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City ouhsc.edu, 877.577.5655
- 6. OU-Tulsa, ou.edu/tulsa, 918.660.3000

### **REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES**

- 7. Cameron University, Lawton cameron.edu, 888.454.7600
- 8. Cameron University, Duncan cameron.edu/duncan, 877.282.3626
- 9. East Central University, Ada ecok.edu, 580.332.8000
- 10. Langston University, Langston langston.edu, 877.466.2231
- 11. Langston University, Tulsa langston.edu/tulsa, 918.877.8100
- 12. Northeastern State University, Tahlequah nsuok.edu, 800.722.9614
- 13. Northeastern State University, Broken Arrow nsuok.edu/brokenarrow.aspx, 918.449.6000
- 14. Northeastern State University, Muskogee nsuok.edu/muskogee, 918.683.0040
- Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Alva nwosu.edu, 580.327.1700
- 16. Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Enid nwosu.edu/enid, 580.237.0334
- 17. Northwestern Oklahoma State University, Woodward nwosu.edu/woodward, 580.256.0047
- Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Goodwell opsu.edu, 800.664.6778

- 19. Rogers State University, Claremore rsu.edu, 918.343.7777
- 20. Rogers State University, Bartlesville rsu.edu/bartlesville, 918.338.8000
- 21. Rogers State University, Pryor rsu.edu/pryor, 918.825.6117
- 22. Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant se.edu, 800.435.1327

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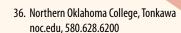
- 23. Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Idabel se.edu/mccurtain, 888.286.9431
- 24. Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford swosu.edu, 580.772.6611
- Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Sayre swosu.edu/sayre, 580.928.5533
- 26. University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond uco.edu, 405.974.2000

### PUBLIC LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY

27. University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma, Chickasha usao.edu, 800.933.8726

### **COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

- 28. Carl Albert State College, Poteau carlalbert.edu, 918.647.1200
- 29. Carl Albert State College, Sallisaw carlalbert.edu, 918.775.6977
- Connors State College, Warner connorsstate.edu, 918.463.2931
- 31. Connors State College, Muskogee connorsstate.edu, 918.687.6747
- 32. Eastern Oklahoma State College, Wilburton eosc.edu, 918.465.2361
- Eastern Oklahoma State College, McAlester eosc.edu/mcalester, 918.426.5272
- 34. Murray State College, Tishomingo mscok.edu, 580.371.2371
- 35. Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, Miami neo.edu, 888.464.6636



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- 37. Northern Oklahoma College, Enid noc.edu/enid, 580.242.6300
- 38. Oklahoma City Community College occc.edu, 405.682.1611
- 39. Redlands Community College, El Reno redlandscc.edu, 866.415.6367
- 40. Rose State College, Midwest City rose.edu, 866.621.0987
- 41. Seminole State College, Seminole sscok.edu, 405.382.9950
- 42. Tulsa Community College tulsacc.edu, 918.595.7000
- 43. Western Oklahoma State College, Altus wosc.edu, 580.477.2000

### **TECHNICAL BRANCHES**

- 44. Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology, Okmulgee osuit.edu, 800.722.4471
- 45. Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City osuokc.edu, 800.560.4099

### HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS/SITES

- 46. Langston University, Oklahoma City langston.edu/okc/langston-okc, 405.962.1620
- 47. Northern Oklahoma College, Stillwater noc.edu/stillwater, 405.744.2246
- 48. University Center at Ponca City, ucponcacity.com, 580.718.5600
- 49. University Center of Southern Oklahoma, Ardmore ucso.osrhe.edu, 580.319.0300

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### **MYTHS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID**

### DON'T FALL FOR THESE MYTHS ABOUT FEDERAL STUDENT AID AND THE APPLICATION PROCESS.

### "Federal student aid is just 'free money' like grants."

Reality: Federal student aid includes three different kinds of financial help: grants, low-interest loans, and work-study funds (a part-time job on or near campus). To learn more about the different types of federal student aid, visit StudentAid.gov/types.

### "My parents make too much money, so I won't qualify for aid."

Reality: There is no income cut-off to qualify for federal student aid. Many factors—such as the size of your family and your year in school—are taken into account. And remember: when you fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form, you're also automatically applying for funds from your state, and possibly from your school as well. In fact, some schools won't even consider you for any of their scholarships (including academic scholarships) until you've submitted a FAFSA form. Don't make assumptions about what you'll get—fill out the FAFSA form and find out.

### "Only students with good grades get financial aid."

Reality: While a high grade point average will help a student get into a good school and may help with academic scholarships, most of the federal student aid programs do not take a student's grades into consideration. Provided a student maintains satisfactory academic progress in his or her program of study, federal student aid will help a student with an average academic record complete his or her education.

### "I don't have good credit, so I can't get a student loan."

Realty: You don't need to get a credit check for most federal student loans (except for Direct PLUS Loans). Also, you won't need a cosigner to get a federal student loan in most cases.

### "My ethnicity or age makes me ineligible for federal student aid."

Reality: There are basic eligibility requirements (which you can find at StudentAid.gov/eligibility), but ethnicity and age are not considered.

### "My parents aren't U.S. citizens, so there's no way I'll get aid."

Reality: Your parents' citizenship status is NOT a factor, and the FAFSA form won't even ask you about it. If your parents don't have Social Security numbers, they must enter 000-00-0000 when the FAFSA form asks for their Social Security numbers.

### **MYTHS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID**

### "I support myself, so I don't have to include parent information on the FAFSA® form."

Reality: This is not necessarily true. Even if you support yourself and file taxes on your own, you may still be considered a dependent student for federal student aid purposes. If you are considered dependent, you must provide your parents' information on the FAFSA form. The form asks a series of questions to determine your dependency status. You can preview the questions at StudentAid.gov/dependency.

### "I can't file my FAFSA® form in October because I haven't applied to any schools."

Reality: Actually, you CAN complete your FAFSA form before submitting any college or career school applications. You'll need to list at least one school on your FAFSA form, but go ahead and add every school you're considering, because some schools have early deadlines to apply for their limited funds. Then later, you can add or delete schools on your FAFSA form.

### "I didn't qualify for financial aid last year, so filling out the FAFSA® form again is just a waste of time."

Reality: It's super important to fill out a FAFSA form every year you're in college or career school. Why? Because things can change. For instance, your school or state might create a new grant or scholarship, or the factors used to calculate your aid could change from one year to the next. Either way, if you don't submit a new FAFSA form, you're out of luck.

### So what's next?

Go to fafsa.gov and fill out the form. If you applied for admission to a college or career school and have been accepted—and you listed that school on your FAFSA form—the school will receive the information from your FAFSA form, calculate your aid, and send you an electronic or paper aid offer telling you how much aid you're eligible for at the school.

### Have questions? Contact or visit the following:

- StudentAid.gov
- A school's financial aid office
- studentaid@ed.gov

- 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) toll free
- TTY for the deaf or hard of hearing: 1-800-730-8913





# Thinking of going to college?

Visit UCanGo2.org for free information about planning, preparing and paying for college.

### SCHOLARSHIP GUIDE

### **START NOW.**

Familiarize yourself with a wide variety of scholarship opportunities. SENIORS: Fill out the FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1st and every year thereafter you are in college.

### DO YOUR RESEARCH.

Visit with your high school counselor to see what scholarships may be available to you during your senior year. Check with your prospective colleges and see if there are any scholarships specifically for Native American students and incoming freshmen.

Free resources and scholarship searches you may find helpful include:

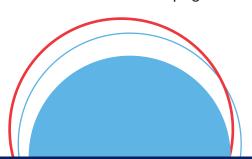
- chahtafoundation.com
- okbu.edu/financial-aid/martin-scholarship.html
- fastweb.com
- okcollegestart.org
- scholarships.com
- · college-scholarships.com
- salliemae.com/planforcollege
- scholarship360.org
- ucango2.org
- raise.me

### LIST OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN OKLAHOMA:

okhighered.org/state-system/colleges-universities/list.shtml

### **KNOW**

There are endless opportunities for scholarships, and keeping yourself organized during the application process is very important. You wouldn't want to do all the work for a scholarship only to realize you missed the deadline. Keeping on track can be easy if you find a method that works for you.





### **HANDY RESOURCES**

### **UCANGO2**

Education beyond high school is possible for everyone. UCanGo2 can help you prepare, plan and pay for your higher education. Visit the website to view and download publications and other resources.

UCanGo2.org

### **OKCOLLEGESTART**

The state's official college planning website, which provides information to Oklahoma students, counselors, and parents about exploring colleges, comparing careers, and planning and paying for education beyond high school.

**OKCollegeStart.org** 

### **READY SET REPAY**

Ready Set Repay is an initiative of the Oklahoma College Assistance Program that helps students make smart borrowing decisions and successfully repay their student loans.

ReadySetRepay.org

### **OCAP**

An operating division of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, OCAP provides college access, aid awareness, financial literacy and student loan management programs and services for students, parents, schools, and community partners.

**OCAP.org** 

### OKLAHOMA STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The State Regents are the coordinating board for Oklahoma public higher education. They set academic standards, grant degrees and manage numerous scholarships and special programs.

**OKHigherEd.org** 





## **Individual Career Academic Plan Oklahoma State Department of Education**

### What is an Individual Career Academic Plan (ICAP)?

The term ICAP refers to both a **process** that helps students engage in academic and career development activities and a **product** that is created and maintained for students' academic, career and personal advancement.

ICAP is a student-driven, ongoing process that actively engages students, enabling them to:

- Understand their own interests, strengths, values and learning styles
- Create a vision of their future
- Develop individual goals
- Prepare a personal plan for achieving their vision and goals

As illustrated in the table below, the difference between the two columns is that with ICAP, the product (the plan) is intended to be dynamic and flexible, reflecting the following:

- Students' coursework, learning and assessment results
- Students' postsecondary plans, aligned with their career, academic and personal/social goals and financial reality
- Students' records of college- and career-readiness activities

4-Year Plan (Traditional)	ICAP (The Vision)
Product-based	Process-based
Some or select students (CTE, Special Education)	All students
Acts as a 4-year plan of courses	Acts as a navigational tool for students in grades 6-12 and beyond
Career application in elective CTE classes	Career application in all classes
Career development in elective courses or not at all	Career development infused throughout all courses
Student "on own" for his/her development	Student-driven with collaboration (advisor, mentor, parents)
High school graduation = end point	High school graduation = checkpoint
Career development is only the school counselor's job	Career development is systematic, whole-school responsibility

The ICAP process and related products can provide clear benefits to both students and schools if the district supports ICAP efforts in a strategic and coordinated manner. Districts must make a shift in thinking, approaching and delivering career development in their schools in order to help students and their families become more informed consumers of the education and training required to meet their personal goals.

This shift is a strategic one, toward a **holistic** and **student-centered** approach away from the 'random acts of career development' that occur now. Strong infrastructure, relationships and student awareness are key to successful implementation of ICAP.



# Individual Career Academic Plan Components

The following table outlines the components that comprise ICAP and are aligned to the ICAP model. Many are already in place in your district. The shift will be systemic, toward a student-centered model that allows all students access to the components they need to meet their individual goal.

	4 STAGES OF SUCCESSFU	OF SUCCE		IVIDUAL C	AREER AND	L INDIVIDUAL CAREER AND ACADEMIC PLANNING	ANNING
Self-A	<b>ASSESS</b> Self-Awareness Activities	ivities	<b>EXPLORE</b> Exploration Activ	<b>EXPLORE</b> oration Activities	P Career Plan	<b>PLAN</b> Career Planning Activities	<b>ACT</b> Management Activities
Set personal goals	Review Goals	Revise goals	Career interest inventories	Setting career goals	Resume writing	Writing cover letters	Modify academic goals as necessary
Write personal reflection	Identify strengths	Identify needs	Career cluster exploration	Career pathway exploration	Investigate postsecondary options	Campus visits and reflections	Modify intentional sequence of courses as necessary
Career skills inventory	Technical skills inventory	Academic skills inventory	Creation of program of study	Job fair participation and reflection	Applications to postsecondary options	Leadership opportunities	Modify personal goals as necessary
Acad	Academic Preparation	ation	Career research	Mock interview	Personal financial literacy concepts	Financial plan	Modify career goals as necessary
Graduation requirements	AP or advanced courses	Online courses	Interviews of career experts	Career research paper	Complete FAFSA form	Scholarship	Update ICAP regularly (annually, each semester, quarterly)
Elective courses	CTE courses	Concurrent	Job shadowing	Work-based learning	Gather letters of recommendation	Mock interviews and reflection	
International Baccalaureate programs	Extra/co- curricular involvement	Career academics	Internship	Youth apprenticeship	Choosing a postsecondary option	Decision-making reflection	
Project Lead the Way	Industry or technical credentials	Career endorsements	Service learning projects	Work experience	Academic Pl	Academic Planning Activities	
Pre-ACT/ACT PSAT/SAT	Industry certifications WorkKeys	ASVAB	Volunteering	Labor market information	Setting Int academic seq goals c	Intentional Sequence of graduation	OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION —CHAMPION EXCELLENCE—





# Individual Career Academic Plan Components

# INFRASTRUCTURE

Leadership and Culture

Policy and Planning De

Professional Development

Individualized Family ICAP Engagement

Community Partnerships

Access for All

# 4 STAGES OF SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUAL CAREER AND ACADEMIC PLANNING

# **ASSESS**

Who am 1? Get to know your interests, skills and strengths.

# EXPLORE

Where do I want to go? Explore career pathways and education opportunities.

# PLAN

How do I get there? Set your route! Set goals, choose courses, join clubs and activities, obtain financing, complete applications, write resumes.

# ACT

Review and revise plan as necessary.



**Tracking My Classes & Achievements**Jot down your volunteer work and achievements and track the classes you need to take each year to meet college admission requirements. For example, will you take American history in the spring semester of your junior year? Write it down here. Refer back to the list of required courses on Page 22 to see which classes you need to take and use this worksheet as a map. You can also track your plan of study at OKcollegestart.org.

	FRESHMAN YEAR	SOPHOMORE YEAR
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**Honors and Awards** 

Volunteer Work, Jobs and **Extracurricular Activities**  Fall Classes

Spring Classes

Honors and Awards

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# COLLEGE QUESTIONS

School Name	
Do you offer my planned major?	
Do you offer academic counseling and support?	
Does your campus help students find internships or jobs in their chosen field?	
What's your average class size?	
What type of extracurricular activities do you offer?	
What scholarships do you offer for incoming freshman? How do	
What are your admission equirements?	
What's your enrollment deadline?	

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OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITIES			
Bacone College,	Northwestern Oklahoma State	Oklahoma Wesleyan University,	Southwestern Christian University,
Muskogee (NE)	University, Alva (NW)	Bartlesville (NE)	Bethany (OKC)
Cameron University, Lawton (SW)	Oklahoma Baptist University,	Oral Roberts University, Tulsa	Southwestern Oklahoma State University,
	Shawnee (SE)	(Tulsa)	Weatherford (SW)
East Central University,	Oklahoma Christian University,	Phillips Theological Seminary,	The University of Tulsa, Tulsa (Tulsa)
Ada (SE)	Oklahoma City (OKC)	Tulsa (Tulsa)	
Family of Faith Christian	Oklahoma City University,	Randall University,	University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond (OKC)
University, Shawnee (SE)	Oklahoma City	Moore (OKC)	
Langston University, Langston (NE)	Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Goodwell (NW)	Rogers State University, Claremore (NE)	University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City (OKC)
Mid-America Christian University, Oklahoma City (OKC)	Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences, Tulsa (Tulsa)	Southeastern Oklahoma State University, Durant (SE)	University of Oklahoma, Norman (OKC)
Northeastern State University,	Oklahoma State University,	Southern Nazarene University,	University of Science and Arts of
Tahlequah (NE)	Stillwater (NE)	Bethany (OKC)	Oklahoma, Chickasha (SW)

Poteau (SE)	n Oklahoma State College, Altus (SW) eer Techs/Trade Schools	High Plains Technology Center  Indian Capital Technology Center	Pioneer Technology Center	
College of the Muscogee Nation	eer Techs/Trade Schools	Indian Capital Technology Center		
Okmulgee (NE)		menan capitan recimereg/ conten	Pontotoc Technology Center	
Community Care College, Tulsa (Tulsa)	rican Broadcasting School	Kiamichi Technology Center	Pryor Beauty College	
Connors State College, Warner (NE)	try Technology Center	Meridian Technology Center	Red River Technology Center	
Eastern Oklahoma State College, Wilburton (SE)	Kiowa Technology Center	Mid-America Technology Center	River Valley Cosmetology Institute	
Murray State College, Tishomingo (SE)	n Valley Technology Center	Mid-Del Technology Center	Southern Oklahoma Technology Center	
Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College, Miami (NE)	tral Technology Center	Miller-Motte College	Southern School of Beauty - Durant	
Northern Oklahoma College, Tonkawa (NE)	m Trail Technology Center	Moore Norman Technology Center	Southwest Technology Center	
Oklahoma City Community College, Oklahoma City (OKC)	tern Oklahoma County Technology Center	Northeast Technology Center	Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology	
Oklahoma State University Institute of Technology, Okmulgee (NE)	Tuttle Technology Center	Northwest Technology Center	Tri County Technology Center	
Redlands Community College, El Reno (OKC)	Gordon Cooper Technology Center	Oklahoma School of Photography	Tulsa Welding School	
Seminole State College, Seminole (SE)	Plains Technology Center	Oklahoma Technical College	Wes Watkins Technology Center	
Tulsa Community College, Tulsa (Tulsa)	Green Country Technology Center	Oklahoma Truck Driving Academy	Western Technology Center	

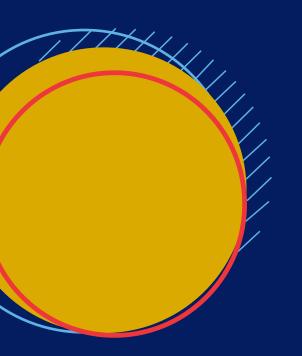
				MILITARY				
A	Army	Navy	Air Force	Coast Guard	Marine Corps	Space Force	National Guard	

### **MAJORS**

- Agriculture & Natural Resources Conservation
- Architecture
- Area, Ethnic, and Multidisciplinary Studies
- Arts: Visual & Performing
- **Business Administration &** Management, General
- Agriculture & Natural Resources Conservation
- Architecture
- · Area, Ethnic, and Multidisciplinary Studies
- Architecture
- Architecture, General
- Architectural Environmental Design
- City/Urban/Regional Planning
- Interior Architecture
- Landscape Architecture
- Area, Ethnic, and Multidisciplinary Studies
- Arts: Visual & Performing
- Art, General
- Art History, Criticism & Conservation
- Fine/Studio Arts
- Cinema/Film
- Cinematography/Film/Video Production
- **Business Administration &** Management, General
- Accounting
- Accounting Technician
- **Business Administration &** Management, General
- Hotel/Motel Management
- Human Resources Development/Training
- Human Resources Management
- International Business Management
- Labor/Industrial Relations
- Logistics & Materials Management
- Communications
- Communications, General
- Advertising
- Digital Communications/Media
- Journalism, Broadcast
- · Community, Family, and Personal Services
- Family & Consumer Sciences, General
- Adult Development & Aging/Gerontology
- Child Care Services Management
- Child Development
- Consumer & Family Economics
- Food & Nutrition
- Textile & Apparel
- Parks, Recreation, & Leisure, General
- Exercise Science/Physiology/Kinesiology

- Community, Family, and Personal Services
- Computer Science and Mathematics
- Education
- Engineering
- Engineering Technology and Drafting
- · Health Administration and Assisting
- · Health Sciences and Technologies
- Arts: Visual & Performing
- Business Administration & Management, General
- · English and Foreign Languages
- · Area Studies, General (e.g., African, Middle Eastern)
- Asian Area Studies
- European Area Studies
- Latin American Area Studies
- North American Area Studies
- Ethnic & Minority Studies, General
- African American Studies
- Design & Visual Communications, General
- Fashion/Apparel Design
- Graphic Design
- Industrial Design
- Interior Design
- Marketing Management & Research
- Office Supervision & Management
- Operations Management & Supervision
- Organizational Behavior
- Purchasing/Procurement/Contracts Management
- Restaurant/Food Services Management
- Small Business Management/Operations
- Travel/Tourism Management
- Business/Management Quantitative Methods, General
- Actuarial Science
- · Journalism, Print
- Mass Communications
- Public Relations &
- Organizational Communication
- Radio & Television Broadcasting
- · Health & Physical Education/Fitness
- Parks/Rec/Leisure Facilities Management
- Sport & Fitness Administration/Management •
- Personal Services, General
- Cosmetology/Hairstyling
- Culinary Arts/Chef Training
- Funeral Services & Mortuary Science
- · Protective Services, General
- Corrections
- · Criminal Justice

- English and Foreign Languages
- Psychology
- Philosophy, Religion, and Theology
- Repair, Production and Construction
- Sciences: Biological and Physical
- Social Sciences and Law
- Philosophy, Religion, and Theology
- Repair, Production and Construction
- Sciences: Biological and Physical
- Social Sciences and Law
- American Indian/Native American Studies
- Latino/Chicano Studies
- Women's Studies
- Liberal Arts & General Studies
- Library Science
- Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies
- Music, General
- Music, Performance
- Music, Theory & Composition
- **Photography**
- Theatre Arts/Drama
- Business/Managerial Economics
- Finance, General
- Banking & Financial Support Services
- Financial Planning & Services
- Insurance & Risk Management
- Investments & Securities
- Management Information Systems
- Real Estate Sales, Merchandising, & Marketing, General
- Fashion Merchandising
- Tourism & Travel Marketing Secretarial Studies & Office Administration
- Communications Technology, General
- Graphic & Printing Equipment Operation Multimedia/Animation/Special Effects
- Radio & Television Broadcasting Technology
- Fire Protection & Safety Technology
- Law Enforcement
- Military Technologies
- Public Administration & Services, General Community Organization & Advocacy
- Public Administration
- Public Affairs & Public Policy Analysis
- Social Work



# SCHOLARSHIPS

- Choctaw Nation Higher Education
- Chahta Foundation Scholarships
- American Indian College Fund
- AISES Scholarship American Indian Science and Engineering Society
- Cobell Scholarship
- American Indian Services
   Scholarship Program
- Native Vision Scholarship
- American Chemical Society
   Scholars Program

- American Indian Nurse
   Scholarship Awards
- Bureau of Indian Education Higher Education Grant Program
- Association on American Indian Affairs Scholarship
- Catching the Dream Scholarships
- Indian Health Service Scholarships
- Accenture Native
   American Scholarship
- The Gates Scholarship

	SCHOLARSHIP INFO
Basic info	
URL	
Sponsor	
Amount (\$)	
Type (institutional, private, raffle, etc.)	
Theme (community service, academic, athletic, interest, etc.)	
Description	
What's your enrollment deadline?	
Sponsor email	
Sponsor mailing address	
Status  (e.g., interested in applying, in the process of applying, applying in the future, applied already, etc.	
Eligibility requirements	
Age	
Grade level	

SCHOLARSHIP INFO					
GPA					
Test scores					
Location/residency (city, county, state, country, etc.)					
Group membership					
Trait/characteristic					
Major/field of study					
Extracurricular activity/sport					
Other					
NOTES					

# MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR SCHOLARSHIP Essay(s)? Letter(s) of recommendation? Transcript/GPA? Test scores? Interview? Résumé? Financial records/ FAFSA? Other Dates/deadlines Application opens Application deadline Winner announced Application submitted Notification received Scholarship award received

## **TASKS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

	WRITE ESSAY	SUBMIT RÉSUMÉ
	REQUEST/SEND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION	SUBMIT FINANCIAL RECORDS/ FAFSA
	REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS	SUBMIT OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS
	TAKE TESTS/SUBMIT SCORES	SUBMIT COMPLETE APPLICATION
	COMPLETE INTERVIEW	
N	OTES	

### **CAREERS**

ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION		LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS, & SECURITY
ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION		MANUFACTURING
ARTS, AUDIO, VIDEO & COMMUNICATION		MARKETING, SALES & SERVICES
AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES		MILITARY
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION		SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATH
EDUCATION & TRAINING		TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION, & LOGISTICS
FINANCE		UNDECIDED
GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION		SUBMIT OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS
HEALTH SCIENCE		
HOSPITALITY & TOURISM		
HUMAN SERVICES	/	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\	

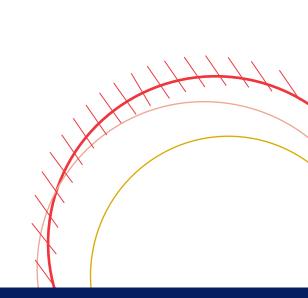
### STUDENT VOLUNTEER

Giving back to your community and helping those in need is a valuable experience that can benefit you personally. Volunteerism offers many advantages to students, such as gaining insight from those you work with and making connections, exploring new interests, building your college resume application and enabling you to find your suited college major or career path!

- COMMUNITY SERVICES/ VOLUNTEER IDEAS
- CHOCTAW NATION COMMUNITY CENTERS
- ANIMAL SHELTERS
- COMMUNITY GARDENS AND PARKS
- FOOD BANKS
- HOMELESS SHELTERS

- NURSING HOMES
- LOCAL LIBRARIES
- SPORTS CAMPS
- TUTORING
- READING TO THE ELDERLY OR ELEMENTARY KIDS
- YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD





# STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOUR TRACK SHEET

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	SUPERVISOR					
	TOTAL					
	TIME					
	TIME					
	VOLUNTEER DUTIES					
	LOCATION/EVENT					
1	DATE					

The Choctaw Nation High School Student Services encourages you to make a difference in the lives of those around you. Volunteer:

# STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOUR TRACK SHEET

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SUPERVISOR					
TOTAL TIME					
TIME STOPPED					
TIME STARTED					
VOLUNTEER DUTIES					
LOCATION/EVENT					
DATE					

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Name:

## **COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY CONSIDERATIONS** City, State Distance from home via air Distance from home via car Student population Public or private Campus size Admission counselor (name) **Deadlines** Application (Early Decision) Application (Regular Decision) FAFSA/CSS (Early Decision) FAFSA/CSS (Regular Decision) Scholarships (Incoming Freshman) Academics Desired major(s) Alternative major or double major Alternative major or double major Student-faculty ratio (overall)

## **COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY CONSIDERATIONS** Average class size (overall) Average admitted GPA Average admitted SAT/ACT Cost Tuition and fees (per year) Room and board (per year) Other fees and expenses (books, supplies, etc.) Travel Total cost (per year) Aid/scholarships offered/ available **NET COST** Rates Acceptance rate 4-year graduation rate Job/grad school placement rate Activities/Student Life Extracurricular 1 Extracurricular 2

COL	LEGE/ UNIVERSITY CONSIDERATIONS
Extracurricular 3	
Greek life	
Study abroad	
Miscellaneous/To Do	
Campus visit	
Essay	
Letters of recommendation	
Test scores	
Transcript(s)	
Application submitted	
Admission interview	
Admission counselor (name)	
NOTES	

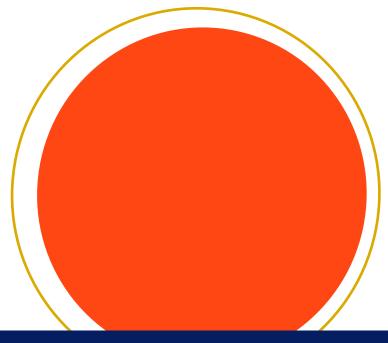
## **STUDENT ATHLETICS**

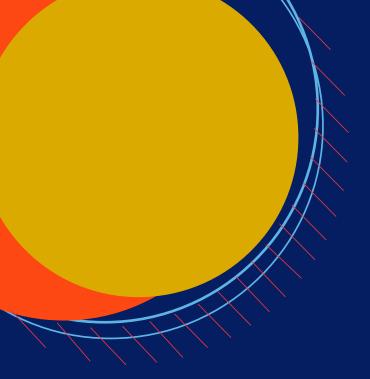
## **MALE SPORTS**

- BASEBALL
- BASKETBALL
- CROSS COUNTRY
- FENCING
- FOOTBALL
- GOLF
- GYMNASTICS
- ICE HOCKEY
- INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- LACROSSE
- OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- RIFLE
- SKIING
- SOCCER
- SWIMMING AND DIVING
- TENNIS
- VOLLEYBALL
- WATER POLO
- WRESTLING

## **FEMALE SPORTS**

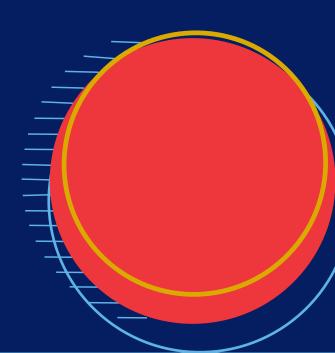
- ACROBATICS AND TUMBLING
- BASKETBALL
- BEACH VOLLEYBALL
- BOWLING
- CROSS COUNTRY
- EQUESTRIAN
- FENCING
- FIELD HOCKEY
- GOLF
- GYMNASTICS
- ICE HOCKEY
- INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- LACROSSE
- OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD
- RIFLE
- ROWING
- RUGBY
- SKIING
- SOCCER
- SOFTBALL
- SWIMMING AND DIVING
- TENNIS
- TRIATHLON
- VOLLEYBALL
- WATER POLO
- WRESTLING





## CALENDAR





## JUNE

NOTES			

SUN	MON	TUES
4	5	6
11	12	13
18	19	20
	Father's Day	
25	26	27
ACT Test		

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3
7	8	9	10
14 Flag Day	15	16	17  ACT Registration  Deadline Test
21 Summer Begins	22	23	24
28	29	30	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Anthony Dillard, James Frazier

## **JULY**

NOTES			

SUN	MON	TUES
2	3	4 Independence Day
		Tribal Holiday
9	10	11
16 ACT test	17	18
23	24	25
30	31	

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1
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5	6	7	8
12	13	14	15
			13
19	20	21	22
26	27	28	29

## **AUGUST**

NOTES	SUN	MON	TUES
			1
	6	7	8
	13	14	15
	20	21	22
	27	28	29

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
2	3	4 Regular Deadline for Sept. 4 ACT Test	5
9	10	11	12
16	17	18	19
23	24	25	26
30	31 ACT Prep Workshop		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Robert Karr, Councilperson Ronald Perry

## **SEPTEMBER**

NOTES		

SUN	MON	TUES
3	4 State of the Nation Address Labor Day	5
10 ACT Testing	11 Patriot Day	12
17	18	19
24	25	26

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2
6	7	8 Hugo ACT Prep Workshop	9 ACT Test Date
13	14	15	16 ACT Prep Workshop Virtual via Zoom
20	21	22 Regular Deadline for Oct. 28th ACT Test	23
27	28	29	30

## **OCTOBER**

NOTES

SUN	MON	TUES
1	2	3
8	9	Indigenous People Day
15	Choctaw Flag Day	17
ACT Testing	23	24
29	30	31 Halloween

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
4	5	6	7
11 ACT Prep Workshop Virtual via Zoom	12	13	14
18	19	20 ACT Prep Workshop Durant Headquarters	21
25	26	27	ACT Test Date

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Eddie Bohanan, Councilperson Tony Ward, Councilperson Jennifer Woods

## **NOVEMBER**

NOTES	SUN	MON	TUES
	5	6	7
		Daylight Savings Time Ends	
	12	13	14
	19	20	21
	26	27	28

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Regular Deadline for Dec. 9th ACT Test	4 Choctaw College Connect
8	9	10	11  Veterans Day  Tribal Holiday
15	16	17	18
22	Thanksgiving Tribal Holiday	24	25  Native American Heritage Day  Tribal Holiday
29	30 ACT Prep Workshop McAlester Kiamichi Tech		

## **DECEMBER**

# **NOTES**

SUN	MON	TUES
3	4	5
10	11	12
17	18	19
24  Christmas  Day	25 Tribal Holiday	26
New Years Eve		

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2
6	7	8	9
			ACT Test Date
13	14	15 Choctaw Day Tribal Holiday	16
		Iridai Holiday	
20	21	22	24
		Tribal Holiday	Christmas Eve
27	20	20	20
27	28	29	30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Thomas Williston, Chief Gary Batton, Councilperson Jess Henry

## **JANUARY**

NOTES

SUN	MON	TUES
	1 New Year's Day Tribal Holiday	2
7	8	9
14	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16
21	22	23
28	29	30

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
3	4	5 Regular Deadline for Feb 10th ACT Test	6
10	11	12	13
17	18	19	20 ACT Prep Workshop Virtual via Zoom
24	25	26	27
31			

## **FEBRUARY**

NOTES

SUN	MON	TUES
4	5	6
11	12	13
18	19 Presidents Day Tribal Holiday	20
25	26	27

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 Idabel Kiamichi Tech	2	3
7	8	9	ACT Test Date
14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24
28	29		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Thomas Williston, Chief Gary Batton, Councilperson Jess Henry

## **MARCH**

NOTES		
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SUN	MON	TUES
3	4	5
10	11	Daylight Saving's Time Start
ACT test	18	19 ACT Prep Workshop Virtual via Zoom
24	25	26
Easter		

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2
6	7	8	9
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		Regular Deadline for April 13th ACT Test	
13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30
			Good Friday
			Tribal Holiday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson James DryPerry Thompson, Assistant Chief Jack Austin Jr.

## **APRIL**

NOTES

SUN	MON	TUES
	1	2
7	8	9
14	15	16
21	22	23
28	29	30 Trail of Tears Walk

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
3	4 ACT Prep Workshop Hugo Kiamichi Tech	5	6
10	11	12	ACT Test Date
17	18	19	20
24	25	26	27

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Joey TomPerry Thompson

## **MAY**

NOTES		

SUN	MON	TUES
5	6	7
12 Mother's Day	13	14
r round o Duy		
19	20	21
24	27	20
26	27 Memorial Day	28
	Tribal Holiday	

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Regular Deadline for June 8th ACT Test	4
8	9	10	11
15	16	17	18 Trail of Tears Day
22	23	24	25
29	30	31	

## JUNE

# **NOTES**

SUN	MON	TUES
2	3	4
	10	
9	10	11
16	17	18
Father's Day		
23	24	25
30		

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1
5	6	7	8
		Regular Deadline for July 13th ACT Test	ACT Test Date
12	13	14	15
		Flag Day	
19	20	21	22
24	27	28	29
26	27	20	27

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Councilperson Anthony Dillard, Councilperson James Frazier

## **JULY**

## **NOTES**

SUN	MON	TUES
	1	2
7	8	9
14	15	16
21	22	23
28	29	30

WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
3	4 Independence Day Tribal Holiday	5	6
10	11	12	ACT Test Date
17	18	19	20
24	25	26	27
31			

## TRIBAL COUNCIL DISTRICTS & COUNTIES

