



CHEROKEE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

2011-2012 Application Guidelines

Purpose

The purpose of the Cherokee Promise Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to low income Cherokee students pursuing higher education. The Cherokee Nation Education and Human Services Groups have partnered to develop and administer the Cherokee Promise Scholarship.

The Cherokee Promise Scholarship will provide to students a \$2000 educational scholarship and a \$1000 housing scholarship per semester. Cherokee Promise Students will live in a designated residence hall with large spacious rooms on an all-Cherokee floor. Students will be provided throughout their time on the program with many different Cherokee cultural activities, specialized classes and other opportunities designed to fit their needs.

Eligibility



- Must be a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.
- Must be a resident of the fourteen-county jurisdictional area (see map).
- Must meet all Pell eligible requirements for the Cherokee Nation Undergraduate Scholarship.
- Must meet all eligibility requirements for the Cherokee Nation Human Services College Housing Assistance Program, including NAHASDA income guidelines.
- Must be accepted to Northeastern State University and live on campus in a designated residence hall.
- Must have a 2.7 GPA
- Must participate in the Self-Help program.
- Must participate in the Cherokee Cultural Curriculum.
- Priority will be given to incoming freshmen.

Application Deadline – April 29, 2011

For an application packet or more information, please contact:

Cherokee Nation Education Services and Human Services, Cherokee Promise Scholarship,
PO Box 948, Tahlequah, OK 74465 – www.cherokee.org
Jerri Callaway - (918) 453-5000 ext 5429 or toll free 800-456-0671 ext 5429

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LEGAL NAME/LAST FIRST MI			SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER			OTHER NAME(S) UNDER WHICH YOUR RECORDS MAY APPEAR			
PHYSICAL ADDRESS			CITY, STATE ZIP			COUNTY NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX	
PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS			CITY, STATE ZIP			HIGH SCHOOL NAME		TRIBAL CITIZENSHIP NUMBER	
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TWO CONTACT NUMBERS				EMAIL ADDRESS					
GED	HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR THE 2011-2012 CN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP?			ARE YOU A VETERAN?		DISABLED?		ARE YOU A FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENT?	
___ YES ___ NO	___ YES ___ NO			___ YES ___ NO		___ YES ___ NO		___ YES ___ NO	
DO YOU SPEAK CHEROKEE?			DO YOU READ CHEROKEE?			DO YOU WRITE CHEROKEE?			
___ YES ___ VERY LITTLE ___ NO			___ YES ___ VERY LITTLE ___ NO			___ YES ___ VERY LITTLE ___ NO			
CLASSIFICATION IN 2011-2012 (Check One)									
___ FRESHMAN (0-29 HRS)			___ SOPHOMORE (30-59 HRS)			___ JUNIOR (60-89 HRS)		___ SENIOR (90-140 HRS)	
INTENDED MAJOR		HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED, PLED GUILTY, OR NO CONTEST TO ANY DRUG RELATED OR VIOLENT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY?							
		___ YES ___ NO DESCRIPTION:							
 		<p>The information contained in my scholarship application contains no falsification and all items are true and correct. I understand that any false statement made herein would result in a voided application. I, the undersigned, understand that that any and all personally identifiable information maintained by any educational institution concerning my financial and academic records is protected under FERPA. I agree to waive my rights under FERPA and allow Cherokee Nation Education Services to receive access to any and all of my financial and academic records from any educational institution. This consent further allows officials from any educational institution to discuss my financial and academic records with Cherokee Nation Education Services. I understand that I can revoke this release at any time by notifying Cherokee Nation Education Services in writing at the address listed above. Any modifications I wish to make to this Release of Information Agreement must be described in writing by a document bearing my signature and attached to this application.</p> <p>SEE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS FORM TO COMPLETE APPLICATION</p>					<p>Return Complete Application to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> CHEROKEE NATION HUMAN SERVICES PO BOX 948 TAHLEQUAH, OK 74465 </p> <p style="text-align: center;"> PHONE: (918) 453-5000 EXT 5429 OR (800) 256-0671 EXT 5429 </p>		
		STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____					DATE: _____		
****FOR OFFICE USE ONLY****									
	EFC		GPA		HRS EARNED	HIED # SEM FUNDED		CHAP # SEM FUNDED	DISTRICT
NEW APPLICANT									
CONT. APPLICANT									
DATE RECEIVED: _____			TIME: _____			STAFF SIGNATURE: _____			

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Required Documents for All Applicants

Please complete all items and return by April 29, 2011.

Application may be made inactive if failure to submit all necessary documentation by the return date.

Included in Packet

- _____ Self Reflection Questionnaire
- _____ Authorization for a Criminal Background Check – **must be notarized**

Additional Documents Required

- _____ State Issued Drivers License or ID, Social Security Card, Tribal Membership card, CDIB card
- _____ 2010 Income Tax Papers
- _____ 2011-2012 Student Aid Report (SAR) – **must show EFC score**
- _____ High School Transcript and College Transcript, if applicable
- _____ Copy of ACT/SAT or College Placement Test Scores
- _____ Northeastern State University acceptance letter
- _____ Verification of permanent physical address
- _____ Verification of disability and/or Veteran status, if applicable

Applicants and/or parents name must appear on all documents in original form. Documents that have been tampered with will not be accepted.

Please be advised: Completing the required documentation **does not** guarantee assistance for college housing.

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Self Reflection Questionnaire

Applicant Name: _____

Date: _____

Please complete each question below. You may attach additional sheets if needed.

1. What are your educational and employment goals?

2. Describe your resources and plans for paying for your education.

3. Describe the support you have from family/friends for obtaining a college degree.

4. Discuss the reason(s) why you should be considered for the Cherokee Promise Scholarship.

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Authorization for a Criminal Background Check

I, _____, DO HEREBY AUTHORIZE the Cherokee Nation (CN) to conduct a Criminal Background Check (CBC) with any Federal, State, Tribal, or Local Law Enforcement Agency. I further agree upon this written consent that I will not file, or cause to be filed on my behalf, any lawsuit against any Law Enforcement Agency, CN, or their designee, due to the results of said CBC.

I further agree that I am aware that due to CN's special tenant selection standards that my application can be denied and/or my participation in a program terminated due to any criminal activity, specifically those criminal activities involving crimes or physical violence to persons or property, drug related, or other violent crimes or criminal activity which would adversely affect the health, safety, or welfare of the CN or their participants.

I further agree that my failure to provide full and complete information as to my identity, aliases, previously used names, or previous places of residences is grounds for immediate termination of my application or tenancy with the CN.

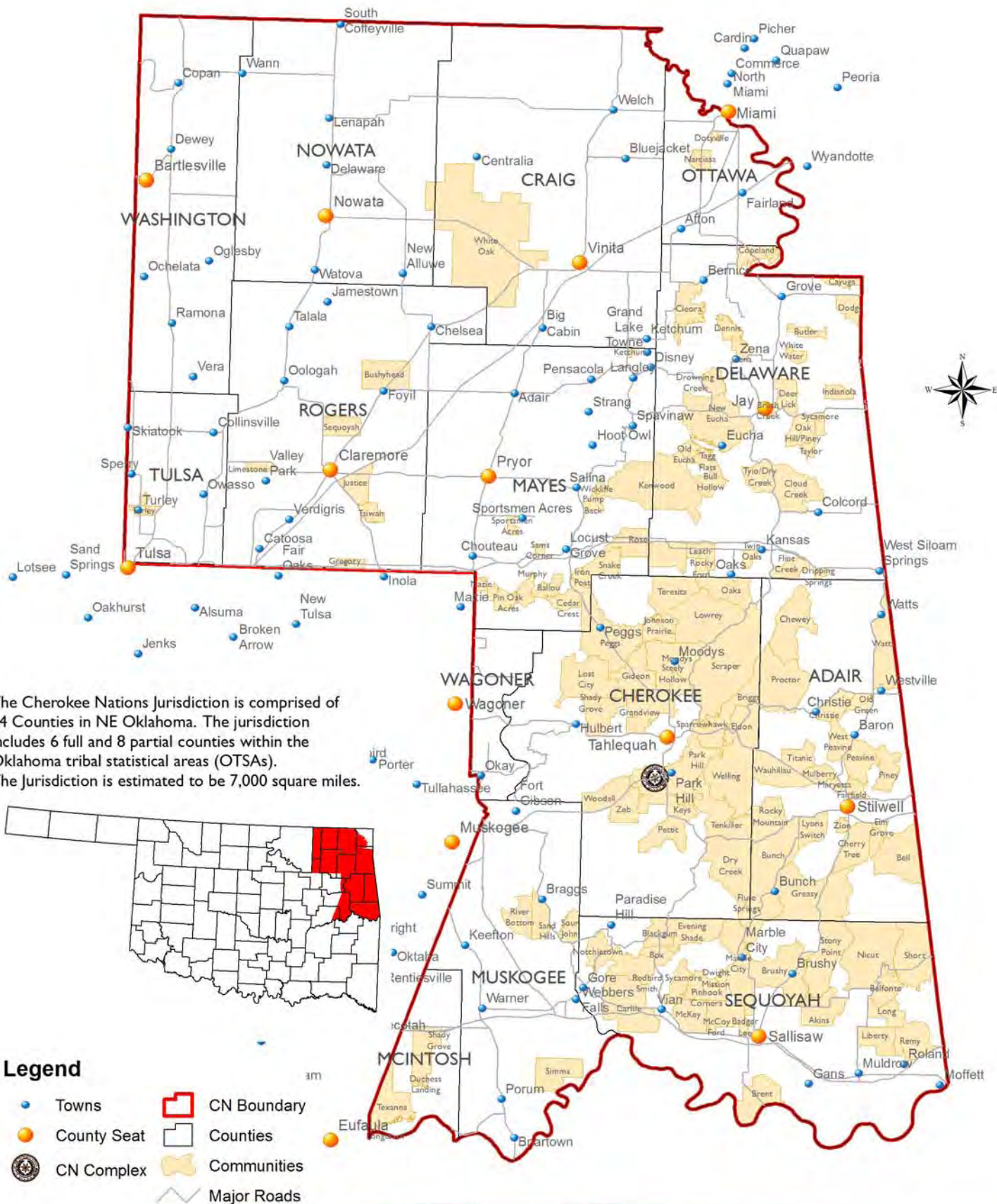
Signature	Birth Date	Social Security Number
Name: <i>(Please print all information legibly.)</i>		
(Print) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Maiden		
Please list other names or aliases used since the age of 18.		
Previous Residence (s): <i>(Indicate all cities, counties, states, and countries, other than Oklahoma, in which you resided for any length of time since the age of 18.)</i>		
(Print) City	County	State
Country	Dates Resided	Name(s) Used
(Print) City	County	State
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State of _____)
 County of _____) §

THIS FORM IS TO BE NOTARIZED

On this ____ day of _____, 20__, before me, a Notary Public in and for the above State and County, personally appeared and acknowledged to me that they executed the same as their free and voluntary act and deed.

 Notary Public
 My Commission Expires: _____



The Cherokee Nation Jurisdiction is comprised of 14 Counties in NE Oklahoma. The jurisdiction includes 6 full and 8 partial counties within the Oklahoma tribal statistical areas (OTSAs). The jurisdiction is estimated to be 7,000 square miles.

