



BILLY L. CYPRESS SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

The Billy L. Cypress Scholarship (BLCS) is specifically designed to financially assist eligible Seminole Tribe of Florida students who are enrolled in an accredited college or university, and trade/tech institution pursuing their higher education.

How do I apply?

You can retrieve a BLCS application from the Education Department office or website (<https://www.seminoleeducation.com/programs/higher-education>)

When submitting the application you will need to complete and send the following documents for eligibility:

- Fully completed Billy L. Cypress application
- * Copy of HS diploma and HS transcript (unofficial)
- * Acceptance/Enrollment/Welcome letter from Accredited College/ Institution
- * College or university class schedule (keep in mind you must take a minimum of 18 credit hours over the school year)
- * Program or major outline/sheet

In order to stay eligible, each semester you need to turn in to your advisor:

- * Unofficial transcripts clearly showing final grades and updated cumulative GPA
- * Next semester's schedule on track to receive a minimum of 18 credits per academic year

To remain in good standing:

- * Have an average/cumulative 2.5 GPA or higher
- * Have a minimum of 18 credits completed throughout the school year
- * Remain in contact with Higher Ed Advisor throughout the school year
- * Provide an updated program sheet/map if you decide to change your major

By when do I need to apply?

All applications must be turned in by 5:00pm EST (in-person) & 11:59pm EST (online) on the following due dates:

- Last Friday of June for the Fall semester
- Last Friday of October for the Winter or Spring semesters
- Last Friday of March for the Summer Semester
- *Within 60 days of start of program (if rolling admissions)

What is covered by the scholarship?

- * Tuition and Required fees
- * Textbooks and/or E-books as mandated by syllabus
- * On-campus housing
- * Required fees/supplies of program
- * Travel to and from school/home at beginning and end of semester (travel form & drug screening (if staying in a hotel) must be submitted 30 days before travel date to be eligible)

*Higher Ed students may receive a STOF issued computer or reimbursement upon request as per eligibility via the Education Department policy.

Contact the Higher Education Program at: HigherEd@semtribe.com or 954.989.6840 Ext. 10500



SEMINOLE TRIBE OF FLORIDA HIGH SCHOOL PERKS

The K-12 and Higher Education Programs proudly present your High School Perks! If you are an eligible student, you may qualify for several services along with our support and advisement.

Here is what you may qualify for!

***Billy L. Cypress Scholarship**

Who: Graduating students

Qualified students (HS Diploma or GED completion) can apply for the Billy L. Cypress scholarship to fund their Higher Education to any accredited post-secondary institution. (For more details about the scholarship, please see other side of flyer).

***College Applications**

Who: Students applying to various college/universities

Students applying to colleges during their senior year have up to 7 college applications paid for by the Education Department. Students would be reimbursed for these 7 applications.

***College Visits**

Who: 11th and 12th grade students

In order to attend, qualifying students need to show interest in the "school on interest" and discuss with Higher Education advisor. Students who are eligible may attend up to 2 out-of-state and 2 in-state schools.

***Dual Enrollment Summer Programs**

Who: Current 10th and 11th grade students

Students interested in Dual Enrollment classes, receiving college credit, and experiencing "living" on a college campus should show interest in this unique summer program. Information regarding the Dual Enrollment opportunity including what school, what classes, and other summer activities are provided each spring.

***SAT/ACT Preparation**

Who: Students looking to receive preparation prior to testing

Through private tutoring, students can receive test preparation for their upcoming test(s). Please communicate with the Education Department for assistance.

***SAT/ACT Test Re-imbusement**

Who: Students who took the ACT/SAT

Students are eligible for up to 3 test re-imburements for eligible test(s); Any combination of tests that a student wishes.

***Tribal Professional Development Program**

Who: Active students, high school graduates, or GED recipients

Develop work experience skills through participating in the SWEP, WEP or ELP Programs.