Important information for college-bound Tribal seniors

December

- If you haven't already done so, take this last SAT test for seniors.
- Get FAFSA forms, available for federal and state financial aid.
- Apply for FAFSA pin number – student/parents must apply separately.
- Mail or submit all revised, complete college applications before the holiday break.
- Start scholarship essays.
- Start OSAC (Oregon Student Assistance Commission).

January

- FAFSA forms can be submitted Jan. 1! Do not delay – do this ASAP.
- Complete scholarships that are due.
- Check for Student Aid Report (SAR on the FAFSA website several days after filing out the FAFSA).
- Request mid-year transcripts be sent to colleges to which you have applied.
- Request transcripts needed for OSAC scholarship application.
- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Students who plan to apply for Tribal assistance for college must apply for FAFSA no later than Jan. 31 at fafsa.ed.gov.

February

- First semester grades and mid-year reports are sent to some colleges.
- Check your school counseling office or ASPIRE center for scholarship information.
- Complete scholarships.
- Check with colleges applied to for verification they have received all necessary documents. Continue to monitor status of submitted applications.
- Check to see if your mid-year transcripts have been sent to the schools to which you have applied.
- Wrap up any scholarship application, essays and activities chart (for OSAC). Early bird deadline is in February for OSAC.

March

- Check for three Tribal scholarships at ctsi.nsn.us.
- Complete scholarships.
- Start working on Tribal higher education or adult vocational training grant application. This can be found on the Tribe's website and is due June 30.
- Review Student Aid Report (SAR).
- You should start receiving admission responses.

April

- Send thank you notes to people who have helped you.
- Make final decision about which college or university you will attend.
- If you decide to decline enrollment to a college or university to which you have been accepted, send notice indicating this to the college's admissions office.

May

- This is the deadline for final decisions for universities.
- Send letter of intent to registrar.
- Line up a summer job.
- Attend your Senior Awards Night.
- Review any award letters and be sure you understand the terms and conditions that accompany each type of aid.
- If necessary, arrange for housing and a meal plan (at school).
- Send thank you notes to any person/committee from which you received a scholarship.

June

- Tribal higher education and adult vocational training applications are due June 30!
- Attend graduation – congratulations!
- Make arrangements for your final grades to be sent to colleges/universities.
- Good luck!

Internships

- Semester in Washington – Native American Political Leadership Program (Washington, D.C.)
  Deadline: Feb. 1, 2018 (Summer 2018)
- NCAI: Wilma Mankiller Fellowship Program for Tribal Policy and Governance
  Deadline: March 15, 2018
- National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)
  Deadline: March 31, 2018
  (for summer)
- Northwest Indian College – Nez Perce Site Internship
  Deadline: Open Until Filled
- NW Documentary
  Portland, Ore.
  Deadline: Open until filled
- U.S. Dept. of the Interior - Office of Environmental Policy & Compliance (Portland, Ore.)
  Deadline: Open until filled
- City of Vancouver, Wash. – Water Center Educator Intern
  Deadline: Open until filled
- Friends of Tryon Creek - Outreach & Membership Intern (Unpaid)
  Deadline: Rolling
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation Internship Program
  Deadline: Multiple
- Environmental Protection Agency Internships
  Deadline: Multiple
- EPA Environmental Research and Business Support (ERBS) Program
  Deadlines: Multiple
- American Fisheries Society
  Deadlines: Multiple
- National Science Foundation Research Experiences for Undergraduates
  Deadline: Multiple
- Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI)
  Deadline: Multiple
- Fish & Wildlife Service
  Deadline: Multiple
- Indian Land Tenure Foundation
  Deadline: Multiple
- Mosaics in Science (MIS) Diversity
  Deadline: Multiple

Outside Scholarships for

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS

Cobell Scholarship
http://cobellscholar.org/
various scholarships available
*essay required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian Services
https://www.americanindianservices.org/
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

American Indian College Fund
http://www.collegefund.org/
various scholarships available
*essay required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Bureau of Indian Education
http://www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Native American Scholarship Fund
http://catchingthedream.org/
various scholarships available
*essay may be required
Open to descendants/enrolled members

Scholarships

- Fastweb (scholarship search engine)
- Big Future (scholarship search engine)
- Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide (scholarship search engine)
- Educational Partnership Program (EPP) Undergraduate Scholarships
  Deadline: Through January 2018
- Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Programs
  Deadline: Through January 2018
- SAIGE Academic Scholarship
  Deadline: June 1, 2018
- AICF: TCU Scholarship
  Deadline: Contact TCU Financial Aid Office
- American Indian Services Scholarships
  Deadline: Ongoing
- NOAA Fisheries Scholarships
  Deadline: Multiple
- National Johnson O'Malley Association Scholarship
  Deadline: Multiple

Tribal children in need of foster parents for:
Permanent care,
temporary foster care or
short-term emercency care.

Contact,
Indian Child Welfare
541-444-8272

Other Opportunities

- Northwest Youth Corps
  Deadline: Various
- National Youth Leadership Forum: STEM Program Nomination Form
  Deadline: Various
- Saturday Academy - FREE Classes for Native American Students
- ON TRACK OHSU!
- Caldera Youth Program
- The Student Conservation Association
- The SMART Competition

Information about Agent Orange

For information about possible health-related problems and VA benefits:

- Toll-free Helpline – 800-749-8387, press 3
- publichealth.va.gov/xposures/agentorange/