

Historic financial aid investment for tribal students

The tribes' Education Branch encourages tribal member students to learn more about and apply for a new source of education financial aid.

The Oregon Tribal Student Grant 2022-23 application is now open. See the website:

oregonstudentaid.gov/oregon-tribal-student.aspx

The state Higher Education Coordinating Commission made the announcement in late May.

The Oregon Tribal Student Grant 2022-23 is a new state financial aid program supported by the Oregon Legislature's 2022 historic investment in equitable college access and success for

tribal students.

The Oregon Tribal Student Grant is expected to pay for most or all public college-related expenses—including tuition, housing, books, and other costs not covered by other grants—for eligible students who are enrolled members of one of Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes, including the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

The aid can be applied toward undergraduate or graduate study at Oregon public colleges and universities, as well as eligible private non-profit institutions, where award amounts can go up to the public institution maximum level, in the up-

coming 2022-23 school year.

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission Office of Student Access and Completion will administer the grant; and encourages tribal students to apply by the priority application deadline of August 1.

Governor Kate Brown proposed this program in the 2022 Legislative Session, in consultation with Oregon tribal government leadership, and working closely with coordinating commission to address longstanding educational equity gaps by removing financial barriers to college for

Oregon tribal students.

The Oregon Legislature also voted in favor of the program.

Governor Brown says, "The launch of the Oregon Tribal Student Grant marks a historic moment for Oregon. For far too long, due to disparities caused by systemic barriers, too few tribal students have had access to postsecondary education.

"This grant program is a remarkable step forward that will serve as a model for the rest of the nation, help to right historic wrongs, and profoundly impact the future of Oregon's tribal students and our dynamic tribal communities."

Committee positions

The Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes is advertising for the following:

The Culture and Heritage Committee—Six tribal member positions, plus one alternate per tribe. Two members each of the Warm Springs, Wasco and Paiute tribes. Person should be community oriented and possess a positive rapport with the community.

Education Committee—Three tribal member positions plus one alternate.

Health and Welfare Committee—Three tribal member positions plus one alternate. Review and recommend to the Tribal Council on health and welfare service delivery systems, legislation development and implementation on federal and state levels.

Land Use Planning Committee—Three tribal member positions plus one alternate. Review requests for land use permits, zoning ordinance changes and possible comprehensive plan updates.

Range, Irrigation and Agriculture Committee—Three tribal member positions plus one alternate. Review and recommend to the Tribal Council on range ordinances, review proposed range units, programs and projects.

Timber Committee—Three tribal member positions plus one alternate.

Fish and Wildlife—On and Off Reservation—Committees—Six tribal member positions plus two alternates.

Employee's require supervisor approval to serve on committee. Please submit letter and resume not later than July 11: Drop off at the tribal administration building addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO. Or by mail: CTWS Secretary Treasurer/CEO, PO Box 455, Warm Springs, OR 97761. Please sign a criminal background check. Forms can be emailed to you. Return signed form to the Management office. Information will be submitted confidentially to the S-T.

Tribal Council: Coming up on the June agenda

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10:30: Housing update with Danielle Wood.

11: Telecom update with Tim York.

11:30: Credit enterprise update with Lori Fuentes.

1:30 p.m.: Timber LLC update with Brian Prater.

2: Indian Head Casino and Plateau Travel Plaza update with the acting manager.

2:30: Warm Springs Ventures update with Jim Souers.

Wednesday, June 8

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer discussion among Council.

1:30 p.m.: Akana update with Said.

2:30: Bluestone update with John Mooers.

3:30: Jefferson County Broadband Action Team discussion with Laurie Danzuka and members.

Monday, June 13—Committees update:

9 a.m.: Range, Irrigation and Agriculture.

9:30: Health and Welfare.

10: Timber Committee.

10:30: Culture and Heritage.

11: Land Use Planning.

1:30 p.m.: Education.

2: Fish and Wildlife On-

Reservation Committee.

2:30: Fish and Wildlife Off-Reservation.

3: Tribal Employment Rights Office discussion.

4: Legislative update call, federal.

Tuesday, June 14

9 a.m.: Phones update with Tim York of Telecom.

10: PacificCorp discussion with Matt Chancellor.

11: Cares Act and ARPA update with Isaac George of Finance.

1:30 p.m.: Education/Joint Health update with Caroline Cruz.

2:30: Northwest Area Health Board discussion with Caroline Cruz and Austin Greene.

3:30: Water Treatment Plant tour with Chico Holliday.

Wednesday, June 15

9 a.m.: Memorandum of understanding with the state of Oregon, discussion with Gayleen Adams, interim Chief Judge.

10: Meet and greet Forest Service/Mt. Hood National Forest.

11: Early Childhood Education discussion with Deanie Smith and Valerie Switzler.

1:30 p.m.: Johnson O'Malley Committee discussion.

2:30: Pension Committee discussion with Catherine Langford/Yoder.

3:30: Cannabis Commission discussion with Ron Roome and Starla Green.

Monday, June 20

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer/Chief Executive Office discussion.

9:30: July agenda and review minutes.

10: Oregon State Bar discussion with Kamron Graham and Helen Hierschbiel.

11: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson, Vital Stats.

1:30 p.m.: Draft resolutions.

2:30: Covid-19 update with the Response Team.

3: Legislative update calls, federal and state.

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21-22: Open agendas.

Monday, June 27: Branch and department updates:

9 a.m.: Human Resources update with William Sam.

9:30: Finance update with Isaac George.

10: Government Affairs update with Raymond Tsumpti Sr.

1:30: Managed Care update with Michael Collins.

2: Health and Human Services discussion with Caroline Cruz.

2:30: Public Safety update with Nancy Seyler.

3: Natural Resources update with Bobby Brunoe.

3:30: Veterans Service Office update.

4: High Lookee Lodge update with Lonnie Parsons, acting.

Tuesday, June 28

9 a.m.: Education update with Valerie Switzler.

9:30: Public Utilities Branch discussion with Chico Holliday.


10: Tribal Employment Rights Office—TERO—update with Wendell Jim.

10:30: Gaming Commission/Surveillance discussion with Josephine Johnson.

11: Public Utilities with Chico.

1:30: 2023 budget process and revenue forecast with Isaac George and the S-T.

2:30: Warm Springs Community Action Team update with Chris Watson, Starla Green, staff and board.



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