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EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Annual report available

Grand Ronde Head Start/Preschool (0-5) 2013 Annual Report is complete and available for viewing. To request a copy, contact Sandy Bobb at 503-879-2161 or by e-mail at sandra.bobb@grandronde.org.

CTGR Eula Petite Scholarship

The Eula Petite Scholarship was established and dedicated to longtime Tribal member and educator Eula Petite and is awarded to a student in the Education field at the graduate level. Must be postmarked by May 23, 2014. Visit the Tribal Higher Education website for more information and an application. www.grandronde.org/departments/education/highereducation. Contact John Harp for more information at 503-879-2275 or john.harp@grandronde.org.

Youth Sponsorship Application

General Information

- The Youth Sponsorship can be used two times per calendar year (January 1st to December 31st) for a total maximum amount of \$200.00. This program is available to all enrolled Tribal students regardless of location. Residency in Oregon is not a requirement.
- The program has open enrollment (can be accessed at any time throughout the year. Applications must be received by the Youth Education Department no later than the first Friday in December, which allows enough time for the application to be processed and the check to be issued within the same calendar year Any application received after the first week in December will be applied toward the next calendar year based on funding availability.
- The Sponsorship can only be applied directly to a vendor of a structured activity that focuses on education, sports, recreation, enrichment or culture. A list of approvable/non-approvable items for the Sponsorship program is attached. No reimbursements will be made to parents except for extreme extenuating circumstances, and at the sole discretion of the Youth Education Department. Unless prior arrangements are made between the parent and the Youth Education Department, payment will be made directly to the vendor. In the event of an approved reimbursement arrangement, the completed application must be submitted no later than thirty calendar days from the date of payment in order to be approved.

here is no guarantee an application will be approved even though it has been completed and submitted Upon review of the completed application packet, the Youth Education Department reserves to the right to approve and/or deny any application at its sole discretion

- **Eligibility Guidelines:**
 - Youth must be an enrolled CTGR Tribal Member.
- Youth must be currently enrolled in K-12th grade or an alternative form of certified and recognized educational program.
- Returned Youth Sponsorship Application Packet Must Include:
 - 1. Completed Youth Sponsorship Application
 - Printed information on the program in which the youth wants to attend (camps, tutorial services, structured educational activity, recreational, athletic programs, etc...). This information must include whom to make the check to, address, cost, and the description of the program/service. Examples may include a brochure, flyer, invoice for services, printout from
 - <u>Verification of school or educational enrollment</u> Verification needs to be a letter from a school or school district on official letterhead stating that the youth is currently enrolled in their educational program. In the event that a student is applying for a sponsorship during the summer months, verification of enrollment of the previous academic year is required. Any verification submitted must include a signature and contact information. Report cards will not be accepted.
 - <u>Verification of Tribal enrollment</u> A copy of CTGR Tribal I.D. card or an official letter from CTGR Member Benefits (503-879-2490) stating that the youth is an enrolled CTGR Tribal Member is
 - <u>Completed W-9 Form</u> This form verifies either the Tax ID or Social Security number of whom the check will be made to. A completed and signed form is required for each separate application.

All of the information listed above must be received in one mailing to ensure a timely response. If the application packet is not complete when received, the applicant will be notified by telephone, email, and/or mail as to what additional documents are needed to process your application.

Allow three weeks to process your completed application once it is receives in the Youth Education office, longer if the application packet is not complete. Sponsorships are tracked using the date the check is mailed from CTGR Youth. Sponsorships are available on a first come first served basis dependent upon funding availability. The student/parent is solely responsible for all contact with the vendor (application, registration, any documentation required by the program/service). Youth Education will mail the check directly to the vendor once we receive the check from the Accounting Department.

Item Categories for Sponsorship

Below is a list of examples of items which can or can't be approved under the Youth Sponsorship program. Please be advised that this list serves only as examples. The Youth Education Department reserves the right to approve or deny

Approvable Items	Non-Approvable Items Food	
Academic Services		
Tutoring, Joint-Enrollments, Classes, Conferences, Trainings, Registration Fees, Textbooks	(Personal, School Meals, etc)	
Athletic Programs	Clothing	
Registration Fees, Membership Fees,	*Unless required for a structured class	
Required Uniforms/Supplies	•	
Enrichment Programs	Personal Travel	
Music, Art, Dance, Summer Camps	Vacations, Family Outings, Fuel Costs	
Memberships	Fines	
YMCA, Boy/Girl Scouts, Aquatic Centers, Fitness Centers	Overdue Library Books, Meal Charges, etc	
Culture		
Classes, Required Supplies for Cultural Classes		
School Field Trips		
Local, State/Country-Wide, International		
School Services		
Student Fees		

**** Supply costs are only approved if documentation is provided showing that the requested supplies are required through the structured activity/organization. Again, this is at the sole discretion of the Youth Education Department

College Placement Testing offered

College Placement Testing offered on-site at the Adult Education Building for Chemeketa Community College, Linn-Benton Community College and Mount Hood Community College. The Placement Test is one of the first steps to beginning college classes. Call 503-879-2282 to sign up for your placement test – allow about one week for scheduling purposes. ■

Tribal graduation ceremony

The CTGR Education Division Graduation Ceremony will be held Friday, June 20, at 6 p.m. at the Tribal gym.

Dinner will be provided.

Join us as we recognize Grand Ronde students: K-2 Chinuk language class; eighth-grade graduates; high school graduates; GED completion; certificates/certifications and college graduates.

If you graduated or will be graduating in the 2013-14 academic year, contact the Education Division via e-mail at education@grandronde. org or call 503-879-2275 or 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275.



Youth Sponsorship Application Please contact CTGR Youth Education Program at 503-879-2101 or 1-800-422-0232 X-2101 with question:				
Student Information				
Student's Name				
CTGR Enrollment #	Date of I	Birth		
Home Phone #	Work P	Work Phone #		
Cell Phone #	Email A	Email Address		
Mailing Address:				
City	State	Zip Code		
Name, Address, and Telephone Nun	nber of School			
		Grade:		
Purpose of Sponsorship				
Vendor Information				
Check payable to Vendor Address				
Vendor Phone #:		Amount Requested; \$		
Completed Application Checklist:				
Application filled out				
Program/Vendor Info		etc)		
Verification of Tribal				
Completed W-9 Form		curate and that any false information of	rovided is aroun	
denial of Sponsorship. I understand that mobtain and provide all necessary documen	y application is not guarante	ed to be accepted. I understand that it	is my responsibi	
Parent or Guardian Printed Name		Date Signed		
Parent or Guardian Signature		Date Signed		
Received by CTGR Youth Education: Date Mailed to Vendor		eck Request Dateeck Number		