



THE CADDO NATION OF OKLAHOMA

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Caddo Nation Education Programs

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The Higher Education Program provides scholarships to qualifying tribal member college students. Scholarship amounts vary according to unmet need (as determined by the Federal Student Aid Program), and range between \$500.00 and \$3,000.00 per term. Scholarships are funded on a first come, first served basis for **completed** applications.

The Education Programs fiscal year begins on January 1st of each year. In the Higher Education Program, for the 1st quarter of CY 2023, we have had:

Number of applications carrying over to 2 nd term:	110
Number of new applications for 2 nd term:	11
Number of applications complete:	85
Number of students suspended:	3
Number of students on probation:	10
Number of applications withdrawn:	5
Number of applications pending:	28

The Caddo Nation Adult Education Program provides assistance to qualifying tribal members who are seeking short-term training (one year or less), literacy instruction, cultural enrichment, or basic skills. The amounts of assistance vary according to the costs associated with the type of training/courses that the applicant will be taking. The maximum amount of funding for the training/course(s) is \$4,500.00 per academic year (Aug. 01 through July 31). Applications are funded on a first come, first served basis for **completed** applications. Eligible tribal members must reside within the jurisdiction of the Anadarko Agency (Caddo, Kiowa, Comanche, Cotton, or Tillman Counties in the state of Oklahoma). The numbers of applicants for the Adult Ed. Program tends to be very low because of the jurisdictional boundaries, which is not negotiable in our contract.

The numbers documented below are for the 1st quarter of CY 2023:

Number of applications submitted:	2
Number of applications completed:	1
Number of applications withdrawn:	1

The Caddo Nation Job Placement & Training Program provides Job Placement (Direct Employment Assistance) and Job Training (Adult Vocational Training) to interested, and eligible enrolled Caddo Nation members. It provides vocational training assistance and/or assistance for starting new employment. The JP&T Program provides short-term and long-term training assistance, and/or other forms of assistance that would enable participants to train, retrain, and upgrade underemployed and unemployed workers in skill areas for which there is a demand in the labor market. The JP&T Program provides bi-weekly stipends for AVT students to assist with household expenses while in training. The amounts of assistance vary according to number of dependents and need.

Applications are funded on a first come, first served basis for **completed** applications (all requested documentation has been turned in, faxes/copies are not accepted). Eligible tribal members must reside within the jurisdiction of the Anadarko Agency (Caddo, Kiowa, Comanche, Cotton, or Tillman Counties in the state of Oklahoma). The numbers of applicants for the JP&T Program tends to be very low because of the jurisdictional boundaries, which is not negotiable in our contract.

The numbers documented below are for the CY 2022:

Number of applications submitted for AVT:	1
Number of applications submitted for DEA:	0
Number of applications accepted:	1
Number of applications denied:	0
Number of applications pending:	0

Additional funding has been appropriated to the Education Department by the Caddo Nation Tribal Council. This funding allows us to assist more students who may otherwise miss out on funding opportunities, such as those who live outside the jurisdiction of the Anadarko Agency. The additional funds available for the Higher Education, Adult Education, and Job Placement and Training Programs are administered by the current guidelines of the P.L. 93-638 programs.

Current Number of students funded through other tribal funds (Higher Ed.)	78
Current Number of students pending through other tribal funds (Higher Ed.)	28
Current Number of students funded through other tribal funds (Adult Ed.)	3
Current Number of students pending through other tribal funds (Adult Ed.)	1
Current Number of students funded through other tribal funds (JP&T)	3
Current Number of students pending through other tribal funds (JP&T)	0

Funding has also been made available for the Education Department to assist tribal member Secondary Education students in grades 1 – 12. The funds allotted are used to encourage students to finish their schooling, and financially assist tribal members attending public schools, including home-schooled students with certain school-related expenses and fees.

Current Number of students funded through other tribal funds (1-12)	7
Current Number of students pending through other tribal funds (1-12)	1