Fort Belknap
Higher Education Program
Scholarship Application for 2023-2024

Deadline Date:
June 16, 2023

Scholarship Application Packet must be complete
Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.
Fort Belknap Higher Education Scholarship Packet 2023-24

Download HEP Packet 2023-24: www.ftbelknap.org Form/Documents Tab

To: Higher Education Scholarship Applicants

Fort Belknap 477 Higher Education Scholarship Application Packet for Academic Year 2023-24. It is important the application is complete and submitted by the deadline dates.

Deadline date: June 16, 2023

Applicants must submit required forms #6-13 these are not included in the scholarship packet Ex. (official transcripts, college acceptance letter, tribal enrollment, fafsa, etc.)

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed by the Scholarship Board.

1. Higher Education Scholarship application page 1-2:

2. Intake Form (in packet) page 3-4.

3. Release Form (in packet) page 5.

4. Non-Tax Filer Form (in packet) page 6; complete only if you did not file 2021 Federal taxes; Non-filer tax form must be returned Notarized.

5. Needs Analysis form (in packet) page 7; must be completed by the Financial Aid Office at the college you will attend 2023-24. It is your responsibility to have form completed & returned by the deadline date.

6. Student Aid Report (SAR/FAFSA 2023-24) Apply online @ www.fafsa.gov Print the results or Confirmation page.
   SAR (fafsa) must show: EFC (Estimated Family Contribution).
   The SAR (fafsa) is very important do not delay in applying.

7. Certificate of Indian Blood Degree (copy) – Ft. Belknap Tribal Enrollment Certificate must show ¼ or more degree of Indian Blood.
   Tribal ID card (copy) will not be accepted as a Tribal Enrollment Certificate.
   Contact Tribal Enrollment office @ (406) 353-8531 or 353-8532

8. Federal Tax 2021 – Copy of your Federal Taxes (1040A; 1040EZ, etc.) or Parents 2021 Federal Tax form if under age 24 and the College Financial Aid Office has determined you as a dependent student.
9. Photo ID (copy of picture ID)

10. Official High School Transcript or Official GED Transcript (copies will not be accepted) If you were a Higher Ed student Academic Year 2022-23 you do not have to submit another high school/GED/Hi-Set transcript.

11. Official College Transcript - Applicants that previously attended college must submit an official college transcript from the last college you attended. Transcript must show Registrar seal or stamp. (copies will not be accepted as an official transcript)

12. College Acceptance Letter - (copy) from the college verifying that you have been accepted to attend Academic Year 2023-24.

13. Test Scores – ACT, SAT, TABE or COMPASS test (copy). Applicants must have one of these College Placement test. If you were a Higher Ed scholarship student Academic Year 2022-23, you do not have to submit another test score.

14. If you were a Higher Education scholarship student 2022-23 academic year you do not have to re-submit: 1) High School/GED transcript; 2) Test Scores, 3) Tribal Enrollment.

Note: Work diligently on completing the Higher Education Packet, College application and file for FAFSA. Failure to complete FAFSA correctly may jeopardize your chance for Federal Assisted Programs. Contact the College Admissions and Financial Aid office to ensure your college and financial aid application is complete. Remember the Higher Education Scholarship is a supplemental program and unable to meet your Unmet Need.

Questions: Call Higher Education Office @ (406) 353-2466, 353-8376, 353-2976

Mailing Address: Fort Belknap 477 Higher Education Program
656 Agency Main Street
Harlem, MT 59526

FAX number: (406) 353-4567 all forms faxed must be legible. Original forms faxed must also be mailed/postmarked by the deadline date. Faxed transcripts will not be accepted.

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Higher Education Program Scholarship Application
Academic Year 2023-2024
Ft. Belknap Higher Education Program
656 Agency Main Street Harlem, MT 59526
(406) 353-2466, 353-8376

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Have you had a Higher Education scholarship grant before? Yes | No
If yes; what year(s)

Sign & date back of application & return to HEP office by the provided Deadline date.

Fort Belknap Higher Education Packet 2023-24
Higher Education Policies and Procedures

Application requirements:
1) Higher Education scholarship application packet must be COMPLETE and received/postmarked on/prior to the deadline date: June 16, 2023
2) Only OFFICIAL College/High school/GED transcripts will be accepted. COPIES of transcripts that are not official will not be accepted.
3) Grant funds are specifically for educational expenses; mismanagement of funds will be subject to automatic suspension and repayment of funds.

Guidelines:
1) Higher Education scholars must successfully complete 12 credits and maintain a 2.00 GPA per semester/quarter.
2) Submit a copy of semester/quarter grades at the end of each semester/quarter.
3) Official college transcripts must be submitted at the end of the academic year.
4) Enroll in a degree program leading to a Certificate/Associate/Bachelor degree.
5) Notify the Higher Education Program immediately if you are refusing the grant.
6) Failure to make academic progress will result in being placed on probation for one semester/quarter.
7) Failure to meet academic requirements while on probation will result in suspension.
8) Notify the Higher Education program if you withdraw from college; only upon approval by HEP of reason for withdraw will future funding be considered/continued.
9) Complete Higher Education scholarship applications received by the deadline will receive priority over applications received after the deadlines.

I give permission to the Ft. Belknap Higher Education Program to have access to my academic and financial records while attending an Institution of higher learning and receiving tribal scholarship funding from the Ft. Belknap 477 Employment & Training Higher Education Program.

I ___________________________________________ on ____________________________
Name Date

Acknowledge the Higher Education Scholarship conditions stipulated.

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Section I  Personal Information

Name: ___________________________ Soc. Sec. # ______________________ Telephone: ______________________

Address: _________________________ City: _________________________ State____ Zip: ______________________

Date of Birth: ______________________ Male____ Female____ Age____

EMAIL ____________________________________________________________

Veteran: Yes_____ No____

Family Status: Two-Parent Family____ Single Parent Family____ Single____ Total # in household____

Total # of dependents under age 18 ________ High School Graduation/GED Year ________________________

High School Name & Address ________________________________________

College Name: ___________________________ Expected graduation date: ________________________

Associate/Technology degree: Yes____ No____ Degree/Certificate Major: __________________________

College Status Academic Year 2023-24: Freshman____ Sophomore____ Junior____ Senior____

Estimated College Graduation Year: _________________________________

Tribal Enrollment #: ______________________ Tribal Affiliation _________________________________

Section II  Client Characteristics

Labor Force Status: Unemployed: _____ # Weeks Unemployed: _____ Last hourly wage: ___________

Employed: _____ Employer: _________________________________


Estimated Total Income in last 12 months: ____________________________________

TANF: Yes____ No____ If yes, Amount & date benefits started ________________________________

General Assistance (GA): Yes____ No____ If yes, Amount & date benefits started ____________________

SSI, etc.: Yes____ No____ Amount: ________________________________________

Food Stamps: Yes____ No____ Commodities: Yes____ No____ Medicaid: Yes____ No____

Vehicle: Yes____ No____ Energy Assistance: Yes ____ No____ Child Care Program Yes____ No____

Fort Belknap Higher Education Packet 2023-24
Section III  Employment, Training & Education Activities

Employment Services

_____ Job Referral
_____ Job Search
_____ Test Fee

Education/Training

_____ Higher Education
_____ Vo-Technical
_____ Training Assistance

Supportive Services

_____ Child Care Assistance
_____ Transportation
_____ Other

Section IV  Educational, Training and Employment Barriers

Check any that may apply to you:

_____ 1) Single Head of Household
_____ 2) Lack of significant work history
_____ 3) Disabled Individual
_____ 4) Health/Physical restrictions
_____ 5) Public Assistance (Food stamps, Medicaid)
_____ 6) TANF/GA recipient
_____ 7) Child Care

8) Unemployed/Not in labor force
9) Employed/Low Income
10) No Driver’s License
11) Transportation
12) Budgeting/Money management
13) Social issues
14) Homeless
15) Other

_________________________________________  ____________________________
Signature                                      Date

Intake Form is due on/prior to file completion deadline date.
CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Fort Belknap Higher Education Program
656 Agency Main Street
Harlem, MT 59526
(406) 353-2466, 353-8376
FAX: (406)-353-4567

______________________________  ________________________
(Print Name)  Social Security #

I am seeking services from the 477 Employment & Training Department. I authorize the 477 Employment & Training Department and all programs therein, to share, exchange, give and receive any information required about my application and the contents therein, in an effort to serve myself. In addition, I authorize the following programs to release to the Higher Education 477 Employment & Training Department. Those agencies are, but not limited to:

Tribal Personnel, Law Enforcement, Short Term Loan Program, Tribal Finance, Commodities, Tribal Credit, Head Start, Tribal Health, Housing Authority, Vocational Rehabilitation Program, Any Tribal Business, Tribal Education, All Colleges/Universities and Technical Institutions, Adult Basic Education, Area Schools, Banks, BIA, Any/All Employers, Veterans Administration, Insurance Companies, Job Services, County Clerk & Recorder, etc.

I understand any/all information by the above named programs/agencies will remain confidential and be used for professional purposes only. I understand that any/all information will not be released without prior knowledge. I understand that I may cancel this consent in writing at any time.

Information Requested:

Information Provided (Attach Documentation)

______________________________  ________________________
Signature  Date

______________________________  ________________________
Higher Education Program Manager  Date

Consent for Release of Information form is due on/prior to file completion deadline date.
Affidavit for Non-Tax Filers

Higher Education Program
Fort Belknap 477 Employment & Training Department
656 Agency Main Street
Harlem, MT 59526

I hereby certify that I did not file 2021 Federal Income Tax and will not do so.

I also certify that all the information provided on my financial aid form application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

__________________________
Signature

__________________________
Date

__________________________
Address

__________________________
City

__________ __________
State Zip

Subscribed and sworn (or affirmed) before me this _____ day of ________________________

__________________________
Notary Public

State of: ________________________

SEAL

Affidavit Non-Tax Filer form is due on/prior to file completion deadline date.
NEEDS ANALYSIS FORM
Fort Belknap Higher Education Program
658 Agency Main Street
Harlem, MT 59526
Phone: (406) 353-8376
Fax: (406) 353-4567

✓ PLEASE CHECK SEMESTER____ QUARTER____ TRIMESTER____

Expenses and Resources section are to be completed by the Financial Aid Office

The Financial Aid Office shall do the following:
1. Complete the FNA only after a student has submitted the required financial aid form (FAFSA/PELL)
2. Consider all financial aid programs for which students qualify when determining the financial aid package.
3. Indicate NE (Not Eligible) next to listed resources for which students do not qualify.
4. Complete each line item under Expenses and Resources.
5. Indicate only the direct educational expenses of the applicant.
6. Report all fellowships and special awards.

COLLEGE: __________________________________________

STUDENTS NAME: ___________________________________

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: ___________________________ MARTIAL STATUS: ___________________________

EXPENSES: RESOURCES:

TUITION/FEE $_________ PERSONAL/SUMMER $_________ PELL $_________
ROOM/BOARD __________________ PARENT CONTRIBUTION __________________ SEOG __________________
BOOKS/SUPPLIES ________________ SPOUSE CONTRIBUTION ________________ SSIG ________________
TRANSPORTATION ________________ VETERAN'S BENEFITS ________________ CWS ________________
PERSONAL ___________________ SOCIAL SECURITY ________________ NDSL ________________
CHILD CARE ________________ OTHER (SPECIFY) __________________ Fee Waiver ________________

TOTAL EXPENSES $_________ TOTAL RESOURCES $_________

STUDENT NEED RECOMMENDED TO FORT BELKNAP HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM: (EXPENSES MINUS RESOURCES) $_____________________

EDUCATION EXPENSES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24
MONTH __________ YEAR __________ TO MONTH __________ YEAR __________

DATE ____________________ FINANCIAL AID OFFICER __________ INSTITUTION __________

Phone # ____________________ Email ____________________

Fort Belknap Higher Education Packet 2023-24
Higher Education Program
Scholarship Application Checklist 2023-24

1. Higher Education Application – page 1
2. Intake Form - page 3-4
3. Release Form – page 5
4. Federal Tax 2021 (copy) or Parent’s 2021 Federal Tax or Notarized Non-Tax Filer Form pg.6
5. Needs Analysis Form – page 7
6. Student Aid Report 2023-24 (copy of SAR-FAFSA)
7. Certificate of Indian Blood degree (Enrollment must show one-fourth (1/4) or more)
8. Official High School Transcript or Official GED/Hi-Set Transcript
9. Official College Transcript must have Registrar’s seal or stamp
10. College Acceptance letter (copy)
11. Test Scores (copy) ACT, SAT, TABE, COMPASS
12. Photo Identification (copy)

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- Telephone number (406) 353-2466, 353-8376
- Fax: (406)353-4567 Forms can be faxed, however due to poor fax quality all faxed forms must be legible.
- OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE MAILED or DELIVERED (faxed transcript copies are NOT Official transcripts and will not be accepted as an official transcript.
- Required forms must be received or postmarked by the deadline date.

NOTE: Keep this checklist for your file; keep copies of all required forms.