

The SNA Foundation

GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION

Eligible beneficiaries, for The SNA Foundation's Scholarship Program include: Alaska Natives who are enrollees, Pursuant to the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to Seldovia Native Association, Inc., shareholders and their direct lineal descendants (children, grandchildren, etc.; natural or adopted) and spouses.

Qualifications: Eligible applicant must be enrolled:

- * **at an accredited** public or private university, college, community or Jr. college, as full-time students - 12 or more credit hours per semester for undergraduate students; 9 or more credit hours per semester for graduate students);
- for a two-year or four-year undergraduate degree or graduate degree program
- * **at an accredited** school such as a Career/Technical or Vocational/Trade schools as a full-time student to meet the required core class hours per program term.

To qualify for scholarships Applicants must maintain a current (GPA) as follows:

- 3.0 Grade Point Average or better for Achievement Scholarships
- 2.0 Grade Point Average or better for the General Scholarships

There is no Alaska residency requirement for Foundation scholarships.

Scholarship Uses: Unless stated otherwise, a scholarship applies toward tuition, school fees, books or campus related/approved room and board only. All scholarships are subject to available funding.

Scholarship Decisions: Award selections are made by The SNA Foundation Education awards Committee. Applicants will be officially informed, by the Foundation, of the selection results by mail only. Allow twenty (20) working days from the deadline for selections to be made.

Application Deadlines: All applications must be sent by US Postal Mail Service (Not email) and received by the Foundation by July 1st, or postmarked on or before July 1st.

If application is missing information, you will be contacted by email to send missing information and still be required to meet the July 1st deadline...

Send application early to allow for missing info to be mailed if application is incomplete!

Annual Scholarships: Achievement & General Scholarship Fund. These scholarships apply to the full academic year. (two semesters).

Criteria for Selection: Scholastic achievement, or merit, is a major consideration in the award selection process, but it is by no means the only one. It is used as an indicator of the ability of the candidate to grow through formal learning. Other factors considered in the selection process include previous work performance; education and community involvement; financial need; recommendations by teachers, employers and others who know of the applicant's past experiences and potential to succeed in a chosen career, year in school; seriousness of purpose;

major field of study; practicality of education and professional goals and completeness of the application.

Disbursement of Funds: Scholarship checks are disbursed by the SNA Foundation directly to the scholarship recipient's college, university or school. The school is requested to administer the funds on behalf of the Foundation scholarship recipient. A copy of the disbursement letter, sent with the check to the [school](#) is also sent to the scholarship recipient. Annual scholarship checks will be disbursed in one or two equal installments on two-semester basis.

A copy of grade transcripts for the previous semester during which a scholarship was used must be submitted to the Foundation in order for the second installment of the scholarship to be disbursed or for new scholarship's to be awarded.

Information: For information contact: The SNA Foundation, 301 Arctic Slope Avenue, Suite 303, Anchorage, Alaska 99518 Phone (907) 868-8006.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURES

It is the applicant's responsibility to submit all required information on or before the deadline, of July 1, as follows:

1. Scholarship application, completed, signed and dated.
2. An official copy of your grade transcripts (or a copy of your high school grade transcripts if you are entering freshman; or a school of your GED certificate).
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation from teachers, employers and others who know of your past experience and potential to succeed in your chosen field of study. New letters must be submitted by repeat students if those on file with the Foundation are two or more years old.
4. A copy of your proof of acceptance letter from your higher education school if you are entering for the first time.
5. Birth certificate(s) to show lineal descendant connection to SNA Enrollee Shareholder
6. A photograph of yourself (optional).
7. Deliver or Postal Service mail, postmarked no later than the deadline to: (No email)
301 Arctic Slope Avenue, Suite 303 Anchorage, Alaska 99518
Questions: Phone (907) 868-8006 Monday -Friday

New and Repeat scholarship applicants must complete ALL the application and submit all materials to receive consideration.

MAIL: US Postal Mail Service (No email), postmarked **ON OR BEFORE JULY 1st:**
The SNA Foundation
301 Arctic Slope Avenue, Suite 303 Anchorage, Alaska 99518

The SNA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please read the "Scholarship Application Procedures" and the application in its entirety. New and Repeat Students must COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS ON THE APPLICATION to receive full consideration. MAIL the application with the required information listed under Procedures.

A. PERSONAL DATA

- 1. Name of Student: _____
- 2. Permanent Address (Street/Box, City, State, Zip): _____

- 3. Schools Mailing Address (Street/Box, City, State, Zip): _____

- 4. Phone/Residence: _____ Phone/School: _____
- 5. Social Security No. _____ 6. Birthplace: _____
- 7. Date of Birth: _____ 8. **Email Address:** _____ @ _____

B. ELIGIBILITY: Indicate your eligibility to be considered for a scholarship by checking the appropriate blank and completing, the information below. (Note: "descendant" means child, grandchild, great grandchild, etc. of an Enrollee.)

- 1. I am eligible for a scholarship in each of the following categories: **Shareholder** **Descendant** **Spouse**
 - * I am a descendant of the above indicated Enrollee whose full name is: _____
 - * The Enrollee from whom I am descendant is my: _____Mother _____Father
_____Grandparent _____Great - Grandparent

C. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CATEGORIES Complete below. Place a check mark in the appropriate blanks.

- ___a. General Academic (\$500) _____b. Achievement (\$2,500 annual)

D. POST SECONDARY EDUCATION PLANS

- 1. Name of School where you plan to attend: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Telephone: _____
- 2. Class level or semester/term:
___Freshman ___Sophomore ___Junior ___Senior Graduate ___Undesignated

3. Field of Study: Major: _____ Minor: _____
4. Academic Degree Goal:
 ___ 2 yr. associate undergraduate degree ___ 4-year undergraduate degree: ___ Undesignated
 _____ Graduate Degree: (Specify: _____)
5. Number of credits/class hours you plan to take for the semester/term for which this application applies:
 _____ Fall Semester, Term _____ Spring Semester, Term
6. How many college credits/trade school hours do you have toward your Degree/Certificate?
7. How many Credits/Class Hours do you need to graduate? _____
8. When do you expect to graduate? Month _____ Year _____
9. What is your cumulative grade point average (GPA)? School _____ College _____

E. RELATED ACTIVITIES

1. School activities (high school and/or college):
2. Honors, Awards, Accomplishments and Positions held:
3. Community Activities:

4. Additional Education, Training or Related Experience (list in order by year):

F. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Employer: _____
 Address: _____ TEL: _____
 From: _____ To: _____ Duties: _____

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 From: _____ To: _____ Duties: _____

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G. EDUCATION BUDGET FORECAST The budget below pertains to direct cost for you to attend a post-secondary institution. Please complete the budget forecast. Some of the "financial aid" amount will be your "best guesses" until confirmed by the granting authority.

1. **Budget Period for this Application** (check ONE):

Annual (fall and spring combined)
 Fall Semester
 Spring semester
 Fall Term
 Winter Term
 Spring Term
 Summer Term

2. **Budget for College** (for the Budget Period checked in H.1.above)

EXPENSES	Amount	SOURCES OF FUNDS	Amount
Direct Academic Costs	\$ _____	Personal Resources for schooling	\$ _____
Tuition	\$ _____	Personal Savings	\$ _____
Student Fees	\$ _____	Parents' Contribution	\$ _____
Books and Supplies	\$ _____	Personal Earnings	\$ _____
Room and Board Costs		Government Allowances	
On-campus room	\$ _____	Veterans Administration Aid	\$ _____
Off-campus room (university approved)	\$ _____	State/Federal Social Security	\$ _____
Board (food)	\$ _____	Other (specify)	\$ _____
Travel	(excluded)	Academic Financial Aid	
Personal Expenses	(excluded)	Scholarships, fellowships	\$ _____
		BIA Grant in Aid	\$ _____
		State/federal student loans	\$ _____
		The SNA Foundation (application)	\$ _____
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ _____	TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	\$ _____
		Less Total Expenses	\$ _____
		Amount needed to balance Budget	\$ _____

H. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE -Be sure to put your name at the top of your statement!

-First-time applicants are to describe your personal history, a summary of accomplishments and a description of your career goals. Also, explain how your degree program fits with your education and career plans.

-Repeat applicants are to update (briefly) your education and career goals and related activity. This will be taken into consideration in evaluating scholarship applications.

Statements are important and evaluated carefully by the Education Awards Committee. Please be specific and detailed. The quality of your response is significant (Use additional sheet of paper if necessary.)

I. CONDITION OF AWARD

Upon completion of the semester(s) or term(s) for which the award was made, the scholarship recipient must submit a copy of his or her grade transcripts for that period to The SNA Foundation.

J. STATEMENT OF CORRECTNESS, UNDERSTANDING AND AUTHORIZATION

I hereby attest that the information contained in this application is true, correct and complete.

I understand that the proceeds of the scholarship, if approved, will be used to further my education in the degree program where I am enrolled.

I understand that in the event a scholarship is granted, it must apply toward tuition, registration fees, books and campus related room and/or board or as otherwise provided in the particular scholarship program ascription in the Foundation's scholarship guidelines for which I have received the scholarship.

Should for any reason the scholarship not be used, I further understand that the full amount or any portion thereof is refundable to The SNA Foundation.

I also understand that, immediately upon completion of the semester or term, I shall submit a copy of my grade transcripts for the semester(s) during which the award was used to The SNA Foundation to verify completion of the courses of study during, the semester(s) or term(s) for which the award was made.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

Infraction Provision.

Except in cases of special circumstances, should the eligibility and selection criteria not be maintained by the scholarship recipient, a person will be ineligible to apply to The SNA Foundation for the next two (2) award periods from the date of the determination made by the Education Awards Committee. No additional funds will be advanced in the current semester. To the extent possible, all unused funds will be recovered from the institution and returned to The SNA Foundation. In addition, in the event an applicant or scholarship recipient is delinquent in submitting reports required by the scholarship program, absent special Circumstances, future awards to the applicant/recipient be withheld until the delinquency is cured.