Memorandum

TO: Superintendents, Counselors, Johnson O'Malley Personnel,

Title VII Personnel, Teachers, Parents, Students

FROM: Oklahoma Council for Indian Education

SUBJECT: Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society/OCIE Scholarships

The Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS) application is enclosed. Please feel free to make as many copies as needed for your students. The student nominated must have a cumulative 3.9 GPA or above. Students must use grades through the previous semester (fall 2010) for their nominations. Membership is annual. Student must meet qualifications, submit nomination form, and pay \$7.00 membership fee each year. Students who meet the definition of Indian under Title VII Indian Education Program may qualify in addition to those students who possess tribal membership or a Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB).

The Oklahoma Council for Indian Education sponsors three scholarships. To apply for the scholarships, students must be members of the Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society. The established scholarships are for one year and are \$500 each. The three scholarships are the John Sam Memorial Scholarship for high school seniors only, the Alice Tonemah Memorial Scholarship for education majors (high school seniors, undergraduate and graduate college students), and the Marlene LeClair/Helen Wright Scholarship for high school seniors, graduate and undergraduate college students.

Students may apply for more than one scholarship, but each application must be complete. Supporting documents may be duplicated for each scholarship application.

Scholarship recipients may update their portfolios so they may be nominated for the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) scholarships.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact the following:

Lucyann Harjo 4100 N. Flood Norman, Oklahoma 73069 (405) 366-5809 lharjo2@norman.k12.ok.us

Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS) nomination form and scholarship application(s) must be submitted to:



OKLAHOMA INDIAN STUDENT HONOR SOCIETY

The Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS) was established in the fall of 1989 to recognize outstanding American Indian student leaders. Membership is open to high school students in grades 9 through 12 and undergraduate and graduate level college students. To date, the Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society has inducted over 7,850 students.

The purpose of the Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society is to recognize and honor Oklahoma Indian students who achieve the highest standards in academics, leadership, service to tribe and community, and moral character.

OKLAHOMA INDIAN STUDENT HONOR SOCIETY ~ NOMINATION CRITERIA

- 1. <u>ACADEMIC ENROLLMENT:</u> The nominee must be enrolled in a minimum of four (4) regular courses in an accredited secondary school (Grades 9-12) within the State of Oklahoma or be enrolled for a minimum of six (6) hours in an accredited institution of high learning within the State of Oklahoma.
- 2. TRIBAL IDENTITY: The nominee must be "Indian" as defined by Title VII, Indian Education or provide other supporting tribal documentation.
- 3. **SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT:** The nominee must have a cumulative **3.9 GPA** average or above. High school freshmen and college freshmen must use the previous semester grades for their nomination.
- 4. <u>SERVICE / LEADERSHIP:</u> The nominee must participate in one or more school, community, or tribal events that demonstrate leadership skills and volunteer service.
- 5. **CHARACTER:** The student must be nominated by the local Indian education staff; school administrator, teacher, counselor; parent or guardian; or other community members who can affirm the student's high standards for ethics and moral character.
- 6. **INDIAN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES:** The nominee must show participation in Indian cultural activities sponsored by Title VII, Johnson O'Malley, tribal functions or activities, or other tribal organizations.
- 7. **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:** Membership is annual. Student must meet qualifications, apply for membership, and pay \$7.00 membership each year.

Telephone: 405/366-5809



OKLAHOMA INDIAN STUDENT HONOR SOCIETY NOMINATION FORM

Deadline: Must be Postmarked by March 4, 2011

(Please type or print in ink)

Student Name		
Home Mailing Address Route/P.O. Box/Street & Number	City/State	Zip Code
School Address		
Grade/Classification		School
School Phone #		School Fax #
Nominator	E-Mail	Address
Tribal Affiliation(s) (Attach a copy of CDIB, To	ribal Membership lett	er, or Statement that student meets Title VII criteria)
Cumulative Grade Point Average(Transcr	ipt must be attached)	
Service/Leadership (Attach additional sheets if new	cessary)	
Indian Cultural Activities(Attach additional sho	eets if necessary)	
Signature of Nominator		Title

Deadline: March 4, 2011. <u>Incomplete applications will not be considered; you must complete and provide all information requested.</u>

The induction/dinner will be held in April 2011 in the Oklahoma City metro area. Reservation forms will be sent with OISHS membership confirmations.

Please Note Requirements
Cumulative GPA 3.9 with Supporting Documentation
\$7.00 Membership Fee Payable to Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society
Each Line Item Must be Completed

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Phone # 405/366-5809 Fax # 405/573-3516 <u>lharjo2@norman.k12.ok.us</u>

Nomination form must be submitted to: Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society (OISHS)

Attention: Lucyann Harjo

4100 N. Flood, Norman, Oklahoma 73069



JOHN SAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

For High School Seniors Students

(Type or Print in Ink)

Name		M	F
AddressRoute/P.O.Box/Str		Zip Code	
Phone #	·		
School Name		Cumulative GPA _	
Activities and/or Organizatio	ns		
(Attach additional sheets if necessary)			

The scholarship award for 2011 will be \$500.00. It is a one year award. Payment will be made in the fall of 2011 when confirmation of enrollment and attendance at a university or college is received.

Eligibility Documentation Criteria:

- 1. Completed Application
- 2. Official School Transcript
- 3. Student Letter of Intent (letter from student stating intended college, field of study, future plans, what influenced the choices, etc.)
- 4. Recommendation letter (school staff, Title VII, JOM, Tribal Leader, Community Leader, etc.)
- 5. Copy of CDIB, Tribal membership Card/Letter, or statement of meeting Title VII Definition
- 6. Letter from school official documenting legal address (if not on transcript)
- 7. Copy of Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society Application (must be a member of OISHS)

COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH ALL ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY: MARCH 4, 2011

Mail application with attachments to: OCIE Scholarship Committee

Attention: Lucyann Harjo

4100 N. Flood

Norman, Oklahoma 73069

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ALICE TONEMAH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

For High School Seniors or Collegiate Students Majoring in Education

Name		M	F_
Address			
Route/P.O.Box/Street	City/State	Zip Code	
Phone #	Tribal Affiliation(s)		
School Name	Cı	umulative GPA	
Activities and/or Organizations			

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MARLENE LeCLAIR/HELEN WRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

For High School Seniors and Collegiate Students

(Type or Print in Ink)			
Name		M	F
Address		7: 0.1	
Route/P.O.Box/Street	City/State	Zip Code	
Phone #	Tribal Affiliation(s)		
School Name		Cumulative GPA _	
Activities and/or Organizations			
(Attach additional sheets if necessary)			

The scholarship award for 2011 will be \$500.00. It is a one year award. Payment will be made in the fall of 2011 when confirmation of enrollment and attendance at a university or college is received.

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