

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION PROGRAM

Claude Cox Scholarship

Scholarship Description

The late Claude Cox was the first elected Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation since Oklahoma statehood, all others after statehood were appointed by the President of the United States. During Cox's administration, a tribal constitution was created as well as a communal land base for offices and other tribal uses. An admired pioneer in the field of tribal government, Cox promoted and developed a variety of strategies for advancing tribal government. Cox further provided guidance for people interested in American Indian affairs and tribal government in addition to providing guidance for many of its leaders during his administration.

Amount of Scholarship Award

\$1,000.00

Purpose and Application of Funds

The purpose of this scholarship is to financially assist Muscogee (Creek) Nation students that might not otherwise have the financial means to further their education. This scholarship award can be utilized to pay for the *required* cost of tuition, fees, books, tools, supplies, testing or examination fees, transportation, or other incidental required cost related to the cost of the post-secondary education institution. This scholarship is to be awarded to a Muscogee (Creek) Nation student who is attending an institution of higher education, a technical or vocational trade school, and interested in tribal government.

Eligibility Guidelines

1. Must be an enrolled citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
2. Must be currently attending an institution of higher education or enrolled as a first-time entering student.
3. Must demonstrate financial need.
4. Must agree to authorize the Scholarship Foundation Program to publicize the scholarship award if selected.

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Scholarship Foundation Program is a tribal government non-profit program qualified under Section 7871 (a) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. This status is only afforded to federally recognized tribes.

All contributions to the Scholarship Foundation Program are fully tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.