

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION PROGRAM

Eufaula Boarding School Scholarship

Scholarship Description

Eufaula Dormitory is linked to the old Ashbury Manual Labor School which was first established in 1822 about one mile from the Chattahoochee River near Columbus, Alabama. In 1847, the Ashbury Manual Labor School was re-established west of the Mississippi River in Indian Territory, the school later burned in 1890. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation established a new school in 1892 known as Eufaula High School which was co-educational until 1907 when it was converted into a school for Muscogee (Creek) females. In October 1970, the name was changed to Eufaula Dormitory as the students began attending Eufaula Public Schools in 1952. The Eufaula Dormitory was moved to new facilities located on 16 acres of Muscogee (Creek) Nation land nearly one-quarter of a mile from the old campus. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation has operated the Eufaula Dormitory since 1984 as a peripheral dormitory through a grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The residential facility can house up to 128 students (Grades 1-12) and is designed to provide nine month residential care while the students attend the Eufaula Public Schools (*Muscogee (Creek) Nation Official Website*).

Amount of Scholarship Award **\$2000.00** (\$1000.00 per semester)

Purpose and Application of Funds

The purpose of the scholarship is to financially assist new Muscogee (Creek) Nation high school graduates that resided in the Eufaula Dormitory and plan to attend an institution of higher education or a technical/vocational trade school and who 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.

Eligibility Guidelines

1. Must be an enrolled citizen of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.
2. Must have resided in the Eufaula Dormitory and a new high school graduate.
3. Must have completed a Scholarship Foundation Program Application.
4. Must be enrolled as a full-time and first-time entering student.
5. Must agree to authorize the Scholarship Foundation Program to publicize the scholarship award if selected.
6. Must provide a copy of fall semester grades and verification of spring enrollment for spring semester allocation.

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.