

2026 - 2027 Half-Year Higher Education Grant



Ayukîi (Hello) Karuk College Student,

Attached is the scholarship application for the 2026–2027 academic year. The scholarship award amount is \$1,250.00. This scholarship will be applied to the 2027 Spring Semester.

The application deadline is October 30, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. No late submissions will be accepted under any circumstances.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to submit all completed application prior to the deadline to allow sufficient time for review and to ensure all required documents are received before the closing date.

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS IS OCTOBER 30TH, 2026.

The Karuk Tribe is very proud of your initiative to succeed through higher education. Your effort to attain a college degree will not only provide you opportunities for higher paying jobs and increase your interpersonal skills and knowledge; but will also increase tribal and community capacity for generations to come. We appreciate your courage, respect your ambition, and look forward to your unique contribution to the future of our tribe.

Other Educational Opportunities:

The Karuk Student Rent Voucher Program is administered by the Karuk Tribal Housing Authority for eligible students. For more information on this program, contact Samantha White at the Karuk Tribal Housing Authority, (530) 493-1414 extension 3108.

Students interested in assistance to continue their education through an Adult Vocational School should contact Michelle Cook, TERO Director, at (530) 493-1600 extension 2031, for more information about the highly limited financial assistance that may be available to you.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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Education Director

Karuk Tribe

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2026/2027 Half-Year Higher Education Grant Eligibility Requirements



- Student must be an Enrolled Karuk Tribal **Member or Descendent**.
- Student must be pursuing an Associate of Arts (AA), Associate of Science (AS), Bachelor of Arts (BA), or Bachelor of Science (BS) degree.
- No funding is available for Graduate Students.
- Students must be enrolled full-time which is defined as 12 units or more.
- Students must maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) every grading term.
- Students must remain in good standing with the educational institution they attend.
- Students are not eligible for grants from the Education Department of the Karuk Tribe, if they are in default with the Tribe for any loan.
- Students must re-apply for education grants each school year.
- Grant payments are sent directly to the school only after ALL of the following paperwork is completed:
 - Grant Application
 - Privacy Act Waiver (PAW)
 - Financial Needs Analysis (FNA)
 - A copy of student's class schedule
 - Karuk Tribal enrollment verification

2026 - 2027 Karuk Tribe Higher Education Grant Application (Half-Year)

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box City/State/Zip Code

Alternate Address: _____

Home Telephone #: () _____ Work or Cell #: () _____

Email Address: (School) _____ (Personal) _____

Subscribe to scholarship mailing list? Y / N

Karuk Tribal Enrollment Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender M / F / Non-Binary

SSN: _____ Marital Status: Single Married Divorced Separated

No. of Dependents: _____ Are you a Veteran? Y / N State of Residency: _____

Name/City/State of High School: _____

Type of High School: ☐ BIA ☐ Tribal ☐ Private ☐ Mission ☐ Public ☐ GED ☐ Other _____

HS Graduation/GED Date (M/Y) ____/____

Name and Address of College Selected: _____

College Major: _____ Expected Date of Graduation (M/Y) _____

Career Goals/Interest: _____

Are you interested in pursuing your career goals within the Karuk Ancestral Territory? Y / N / Maybe

Degree: AA AS BA BS Other: _____

Year in College: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate Overall GPA: _____

I will be living: On Campus Off Campus With Parents

Have you received the Higher Education Grant Before? Y / N (*Remember there is a six-year recipient limit)

If Yes, which academic year(s): _____

Is there a Native/American Indian Support group on your college campus? Y / N / Unsure

Are you interested in sharing your college story via short newsletter articles to inspire Karuk youth to obtain a higher education? Y / N / Maybe

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

☐ HEA ☐ PAW ☐ TE ☐ FNA ☐ CS If Applicable: ☐ GRD ☐ PRB ☐ Yes ☐ No



Privacy Act Statement Waiver

This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act of 1974) Dec. 31, 1974. Although furnishing personal information to this office is voluntary, failure to supply complete and accurate information may preclude the applicant from eligibility for assistance under this program. This information is being collected to determine eligibility of individuals applying for services. This information will be used to produce statistical records required of the Office of Indian Education Programs. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit. I hereby certify that the information included in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and consent to the release of this information to necessary agencies to determine and/or continue my eligibility.

I will provide a copy of my grades and transcripts to the Education Office at the end of each semester. I give full permission to the Karuk Tribe Education Department to verify my enrollment, registration, grades and transcripts from the college I am enrolled in.

Signature of Student: _____ Date: _____

FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS



TO BE COMPLETED BY THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICER AT SCHOOL OF YOUR CHOICE

Verification of need from your office is requested before action can be taken on this student's application. Please complete and forward this form to the below address: ATTN: EDUCATION DEPARTMENT. This must be complete and submitted with your application by the deadline.

STUDENT NAME: _____

SS#: _____ DATE: _____

BUDGET PERIOD: FROM: _____ TO: _____ WHICH WILL START ON: _____

COLLEGE BUDGET:

TUITION \$ _____
FEES \$ _____
BOOKS/SUPPLIES \$ _____
ROOM \$ _____
BOARD \$ _____
TRANSPORTATION \$ _____
PERSONAL \$ _____
CHILD CARE \$ _____
OTHER \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

RESOURCES:

PARENT CONTRIBUTION \$ _____
STUDENT CONTRIBUTION \$ _____
VETERANS BENEFITS \$ _____
AFDC/WELFARE \$ _____
SOCIAL SECURITY \$ _____
STATE (INDIAN) \$ _____
VOC. REHABILITATION \$ _____
OTHER \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

CAMPUS BASED AND OTHER AID:

SEOG \$ _____
PELL \$ _____
NDSL \$ _____
CWS \$ _____
SUG \$ _____
EOPS \$ _____
GSL \$ _____
CAL \$ _____
OTHER \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

WE RECOMMEND A STUDENT AWARD OF:

\$ _____

SIGNATURE: _____
FINANCIAL AID OFFICER

DATE

COLLEGE OR SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

YOUR SCHOOL IS ON: SEMESTER _____ QUARTER _____ TRIMESTER _____ OTHER _____

Scan/email to: bcgonzales@karuk.us

Mail/ Fax completed Financial Aid Analysis to:

Karuk Tribe

Attn: Brionna Gonzales/Education Department

P.O. Box 1016

Happy Camp, CA 96039

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Karuk Education Department



Ayukîi Students:

The following items need to be filled out completely and returned to the Karuk Education Department to be considered for a Higher Education Grant Award:

_____ **KARUK TRIBE HIGHER EDUCATION GRANT APPLICATION**

_____ **UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS/COPY OF GRADES** (If you attended college and received the HEG award last year)

_____ **PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT WAIVER**

_____ **KARUK TRIBAL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION** (Copy of Tribal ID or Certificate of Indian Blood from Karuk Tribal Enrollment Department)

_____ **FINANCIAL NEEDS ANALYSIS** (Included with this packet completed by the Financial Aid Officer of your school)

_____ **CLASS SCHEDULE OR PROOF OF FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT**

The Karuk Education Department will be contacting college/universities to confirm the validity of the Unofficial Transcripts. Fraudulence will not be tolerated.

Application, Transcripts, Proof of School Enrollment, Financial Needs Analysis and Tribal Enrollment Verification **MUST** be complete and submitted to the Education Department on or before **October 30, 2026** to be considered for an education grant award for the 2026-2027 academic year.

FUNDING CANNOT BE GRANTED UNTIL ALL ITEMS ARE RECEIVED AND NO LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Please contact the Education Department if you need further assistance at (530)-842-1644 extension 7035.

Email Completed Applications to: bgonzales@karuk.us

Mail completed applications to:

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