

**Niagara Wheatfield Teachers Association Scholarship  
for an Enrolled Tuscarora Graduating from Niagara Wheatfield High School**

**General Information:**

1. The Nwta Scholarship for Native Student committee will consist of a minimum of 4 members:
  - a. 1 Chairperson - the Nwta Social Justice Committee Chairperson (Or appointee of the Nwta President and Nwta SJ Chairperson) who will select the other 3 members from the Nwta. When possible, the Chairperson should show preference to Nwta members who are from the Tuscarora Nation or of Haudenosaunee descent to ensure representation on the committee.
  - b. 1 Nwta-dues-paying member from the ET Middle School
  - c. 1 Nwta-dues-paying member from the NW High School
  - d. 1 Nwta-dues-paying member from the Tuscarora Elementary School
  - e. Optional- To ensure adequate representation on the committee, the Chairperson of the Indigenous Student Scholarship committee can add 1 additional Nwta -dues paying member from the Haudenosaunee Community
  - f. The district appointed Native Liaison may act as a consultant to the committee, at the committee's request.
2. The award for the scholarship is \$500.00 for one year.
3. The scholarship winner will receive 2 checks, each \$250.00 to be remitted at the completion of each semester of the student's first year of post secondary education.

**Eligibility Information:**

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior of Niagara-Wheatfield High School.
2. Applicant must be enrolled at Tuscarora.
3. Applicant must be pursuing post-secondary education (college, community college, vocational school, apprenticeship, or language immersion program).

**Application Procedure:**

1. Applicant must complete and submit the Student Data sheet.
2. Applicant must complete and submit the Application Form.
3. Applicant must complete and submit the essay about community involvement as part of the application form.
4. Applicant must submit proof of Nation Status.
5. Applicant must submit two letters of reference:
  - a. One from a school staff member, activity advisor/supervisor, employer
  - a. One from a member of the Tuscarora Nation
6. **Student Data sheet, Application Form, Proof of Nation Status, and two letters of reference must be received by 3:30 p.m. on March 13, 2026.**

**Send all paperwork to: NW Senior High Counseling Center to be forwarded to the Nwta Social Justice Chairperson (Beatrice Singh-Arnone 2025-2026)**

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The scholarship award winner will be determined by the NWTA Indigenous Student Scholarship Committee.

**Basis for determining the award:**

Scholarships will be awarded to students based on their efforts to be involved in their Native community, including activities that further Native language and cultural knowledge, participation in performances/presentations, sports, advocacy work, and community service, as well as participation in the wider community. The categories will be considered as follows: (Total: 24 points)

1. Extracurricular Activities (1-4 pts.)
2. Community Involvement (1-4 pts.)
3. Work Experience, Recognitions, Awards (1-4 pts.)
4. Special Circumstances
5. Essay (1-4 pts.)
6. Two Reference Letters

Top average score will be awarded a scholarship. In the event of equal scores, the committee will consider the application as a whole including Special Circumstances and the two reference letters.

**Failure to adhere to the application procedure will result in disqualification.**

Applicant # \_\_\_\_\_

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**Student Data Sheet**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student cell #: \_\_\_\_\_

Student email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof of Family Nation Status: Please attach a copy of appropriate documentation.**

What institution or program do you plan to attend in the fall?

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What is your intended field of study? \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian Information:**

Name of guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian phone number: \_\_\_\_\_





