

K-12 EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Champagne and Aishihik First Nations (CAFN) acknowledge the value of both a traditional education and classroom studies. The following programs support young CAFN Citizens on their path of learning. More details on these programs can be obtain through the Educational Support Worker (ESW).

1. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES FUNDING

Special Circumstances Funding is available to assist Canadian resident parents / guardians with monthly living expenses for their Canadian resident dependent children who must live away from their home communities to attend school. The student must be attending a recognized primary or secondary (K-12) institution. Families are eligible to receive \$35 per month for living allowance and up to \$250 per month for accommodations, subject to attendance records being provided to the ESW.

2. SCHOOL SUPPLIES SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING

Supplementary funding is available to assist with the purchase of school supplies for CAFN students in grades K-12 in Canada. K-5 students receive \$75 annually and Grades 6 to 12 receive \$100 annually. An application form must be filled out prior to the start of each school year.

3. SECONDARY ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

CAFN provides an Academic Achievement Award for all CAFN students in grades 8-13 who live in Canada and achieve a minimum of 75% overall average (see program details (where?) for how this translates to grade 8 & 9 grading). This award ranges from \$100 to \$300 per student and is awarded each fall for the previous school year.

Grade 8 - \$100

Grade 9 – \$150

Grade 10 – \$200

Grade 11 – \$250

Grade 12 – \$300

4. TUTORING ASSISTANCE

CAFN provides tutoring assistance for CAFN students in grades K-12 in the Yukon Territory or who are permanent residents of the Yukon (?). Tutoring is appropriate to the student's grade level, curriculum, school and community. A Tutoring Assistance Application form must be completed to apply for funding and students can be reimbursed for a maximum of \$80 per month (4 sessions at no more than \$20 per hour per session).

5. YUKON (ATLIN?) NATIVE GRADUATION FUNDING

CAFN helps CAFN students that are graduating from secondary school with funds to cover a portion of the costs for clothing to participate in the First Nations Graduation ceremony in Whitehorse. This funding becomes available in April and families can request up to \$150 per student. Please contact the Education Support Worker in your community to apply.

NEXT SECTION PLEASE

POST-SECONDARY PROGRAMS

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for Support, a Student must be a CAFN Citizen, a Canadian Resident residing in Canada, and must be enrolled, or accepted to enroll, in an eligible program of study at a Post-Secondary Institution.

An eligible program of study is a degree or certificate program or a two-year transfer program acceptable for full credit toward a bachelor's degree at a four-year institution and the courses a Student takes must apply to their degree, certificate, or transfer program, or a program that has been approved by the Review Committee, including the Dákwänje Immersion Program.

A Post-Secondary Institution is a degree, diploma or certificate granting institution which is recognized by a Province or Territory, and includes educational institutions affiliated with, or delivering Post-secondary programs by arrangement with an eligible Post-Secondary Institution, or an institution that has been approved by the Review Committee.

A Student must submit a completed Application, including supporting documents, to CAFN's Department of Education by the following deadlines:

PROGRAM / SEMESTER	APPLICATION DEADLINE
Fall – September	On or before May 1 st (early deadline)
	On or before June 30 th (late deadline)
Winter – January	On or before November 27 th
Summer – May	On or before March 27 th

CAFN will review and process the applications in a timely manner after the deadline, notifying students as soon as possible about their decision.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

Students can receive support for the following items:

- Tuition (up to the established maximum and not beyond that maximum).
- Books and supplies (up to the established maximum and beyond that maximum).

- Living allowance (for full-time students only).
- Travel to attend school outside the territory (up to the established maximum and not beyond that maximum).
- Emergency (up to the established maximum and not beyond that maximum).

If there are more applicants than funds available, the following criteria will be used to assign priority of applications:

- 1) Continuing Students.
- 2) Applicants for the Dákwänje Immersion Program.
- 3) New applicants.

Students will receive support for the duration of their educational program as long as they continue to attend in the same program and maintain the minimum requirements of the Institution delivering the program.

RECIPROCITY

The Support that Students receive under the Post-Secondary Education Program is provided because CAFN Citizens have together decided to invest in their education. In return, Students are expected to give back to their community.

More information can be found on the CAFN website or by speaking with the Post-Secondary Program Officer at 867-634-4200, ext. 254.