

## **WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE** **TRIBAL GRANT POLICIES**

### **SECTION I – PURPOSE:**

1. The Tribal Grant program is for the specified purpose of financially assisting eligible WRPT members who are enrolled in an accredited college or university.
  
2. The purpose of these policies is to set forth procedures and requirements to govern the awarding of higher education scholarships as administered by the WRPT Education Department.

### **SECTION II – QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. An enrolled member, certified with the Walker River Paiute Tribe.
  
2. Fulltime, (12 credits or more), Higher Education student or a fulltime Adult Vocational Training (AVT) student.
  
3. Completed Higher Education or Adult Vocational Training (AVT) application on file each semester.

### **SECTION III – DISBURSEMENT METHODS:**

1. The annual budgeted amount (determined by the Walker River Paiute Tribal Council) will be divided in half. One half to be used for the Fall Semester and one half to be used for the Spring Semester.
  
2. The funds will be divided equally amongst all Higher Education and Adult Vocational Training (AVT) students with one exception.
  - a. Incoming freshmen that have been awarded a \$200 scholarship at their 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation will receive the \$200 above the amount the other students are awarded dependent on funds available. Grant may be awarded in \$100 increments over two semesters.

- b. Miss Walker River will be awarded a \$500 scholarship to be awarded after completion of duties. Grant may be awarded in \$250 increments over two semesters.
3. The Tribal Grant is in accordance with Higher Education and Adult Vocational Training (AVT) guidelines and deadlines.
4. The Tribal Grant will be sent to each student or the student may pick up the check from the WRPT Education Director.

#### **SECTION V – ACADEMIC PROBATION OR SUSPENSION:**

1. A student who does not meet the minimum academic requirement for one term will be funded on Academic Probation during the next term.
  - a) Academic Probation Requirement: Student will be required to receive a 2.0 or higher GPA on college credits equivalent to that amount that was lost that resulted in being placed on academic probation.
  - b) Notification of this action will be made to students by letter. If substantial progress is not made during probationary period, the student's Tribal funding may be suspended.
2. Once a student's Tribal funding has been suspended, the student will not be considered for funding **UNTIL** the student, through other funding sources, earns a minimum of college credits equivalent to what was previously funded for and lost, earning a 2.0 or higher GPA.
3. After a student reinstates his/her Tribal funding by fulfilling the requirements, he/she will continue to be eligible for funding as long as he/she maintains the academic requirements stipulated by the program.
4. Special circumstances may be considered by the WRPT Board of Education on a case-by-case basis in accordance with grievance procedures.