BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS
TRIBAL MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP POLICY
(Undergraduate Program)

Scholarships for the undergraduate program are available to all tribal members for sums up to $50,000 per year to attend a college or university accredited by an entity recognized by the U.S. Dept. of Education.

Procedures for application are as follows:

1. Complete the attached application.
2. Submit the application to the Education Committee at the Barona Tribal Office.
3. Attach a copy of your high school diploma, transcript indicating graduation, GED certificate or college transcript.
4. Attach a copy of your letter of acceptance from the institution for which you are applying.
5. Attach a copy of documents from the institution indicating your cost for tuition and housing, if applicable.

Scholarship funds may be applied to the following once your application has been approved:

- **Tuition** will be sent directly to the school you will be attending.
- **Books, supplies and parking** will be reimbursed with appropriate receipts submitted.
- **Equipment** required for class such as calculators, computers, etc., if the equipment is determined to be necessary for the class. Necessity is determined by course description and a statement signed by class instructor.
- **Credentials**: Scholarships funds may be applied towards teaching credentials.
- **Tutoring** for special needs may be approved by the Education Committee.
- **On-line courses** will be allowed and may constitute 100% of the student’s coursework.
- **Housing** costs up to 50% of scholarship funds may be paid if you are taking a class load that requires physical on-campus class attendance of at least 12 hours per week. Housing funds are not available while attending community colleges. Funds may be used for off-campus housing, but may not exceed the cost of on-campus housing. Funds for housing will be sent to the housing provider.

*Note: Scholarship funds allocated for living expenses, including housing, are treated as taxable income. You should consult your tax professional for additional information.*
Terms and Conditions:

- **Terms:** If student does not complete the term, the funds expended by the Tribe under this program must be repaid. Repayment may be delayed due to special circumstances such as disability of the student or death or disability of a family member.

- **Grade point average** of at least a 2.0 must be submitted each term for continuing students to remain eligible for funding. Grade reports must be submitted within ten (10) days of receipt to remain eligible for scholarship funds.

- **Stipend** of $1,000 per term funded shall be paid to tribal members upon evidence of successful completion of the term with a 3.5, or higher, grade point average. The student must be enrolled full time taking at least 12 units during the term in order to qualify. In addition, a stipend of $5,000 will be paid to the student upon receipt of a diploma from an undergraduate program.

*If grade reports are not received for a period of one year, this will be considered a termination of the agreement, and all funds expended on your behalf must be repaid to the Tribe.*

I have read, understand and agree to abide by the Barona Band of Mission Indians Tribal Member Scholarship Policy. By participating in this program, I agree that any funds I am required to repay the Tribe may be deducted from any sums owed or set aside for me by the Tribe including, but not limited to, per capita payments. If approved, scholarship funds are made available upon the terms and conditions stated in the Policy.

_________________________________________  __________________
Signature of applicant                           Date

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Print Name of applicant
BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Date: ______________________

Applicant’s name: ____________________________ Phone: ________________

Address: __________________________________________

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E-mail: __________________________________________

Address while attending school (if different from above):

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Educational institution for which you are requesting assistance:

Name: __________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

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Registrar phone #: ______________________________

E-mail contact: ______________________________________

Check payable to: ____________________________________

Address scholarship is to be sent to (if different from above):

Address: __________________________________________

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Term for which you are applying: ________________ No. of units: ____________
Type of degree or certificate you are applying for (i.e. A.A., B.A., etc.): __________________________________________

Are you requesting housing assistance? Yes____ No____

If yes, address where you will be residing?
________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________

The telephone number and address of my housing provider is__________________________________________

Additional information (if any):
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________________________________________________________

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in the revocation of any scholarship funding approval that was granted based on the false information.

Applicants signature ___________________________ Date ____________
This agreement is formed by and between the Barona Band of Mission Indians, a federally recognized Indian tribe (hereinafter referred to as “the Tribe”), acting through its authorized representatives, the Barona Education Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee, and ________________, a Barona Tribal Member. (Hereinafter referred to as “I” or “me”.)

The tribe hereby agrees to provide me with scholarship in the amount of $_______________ to assist with my attendance at ___________________________ for the term of ____________ ________________.

While in school I will be residing at ___________________________.

The telephone number and address of my housing provider is ___________________________.

The tribe hereby agrees to pay the full cost of tuition, books, supplies and parking. Funds may be used for required equipment such as calculators, computers, etc., if the equipment is determined to be necessary for the class. Necessity is determined by course description and a statement signed by class instructor.

If I am enrolled in a full-time program, which requires me to physically attend classes on-campus for at least twelve hours per week, up to one-half of my scholarship funds may be used for housing costs.

I understand that housing funds may be used for off-campus housing, but may not exceed the cost of on-campus housing. I understand that all funds will be disbursed directly to the above named institution and housing provider(s). I also understand that housing funds are not to be used while attending community colleges.

If I do not meet the requirements for housing assistance for the entire term for which I receive funding, only my tuition and books will be paid by the Tribe. I agree to notify the Education Committee within thirty (30) days of becoming ineligible for housing assistance and will make arrangements at that time to repay any excess funds received.

If I fail to successfully complete the term specified in this agreement, I understand and agree that I must repay all funds received under this agreement. I agree to notify the Barona Education Committee within thirty (30) days of my withdrawal from the above named institution, and to make arrangements at that time to repay all scholarship funds expended on my behalf for the incomplete or unsuccessful term.

If I do not make arrangements to repay excess funds received within thirty (30) days of the reduction of my class load or withdrawal from the above named institution, all sums due the tribe under this agreement may be deducted from any disbursements to which I am entitled.

I agree to provide all grade reports to the Education Committee within ten (10) days after I receive them to remain eligible.

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I agree to maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or more. If my grade point average falls below 2.0 I understand that I will be placed on probation for one term. If my grade point average has not risen by the end of the probationary term, I will be ineligible for additional educational funding from the tribe until I have attended and paid for at least one term without tribal assistance. Upon receipt of my grades for this self-funded term, the Education Committee will reconsider my eligibility to receive additional educational funding from the Tribe.

I have read, understand, and agree to adhere to the foregoing terms and conditions of this scholarship agreement.

_________________________________________  ________________________
Signature of Participant                          Date

_________________________________________
Print Name of Participant

_________________________________________  and/or  ________________________
Education Committee Chairman                     Tribal Chairperson

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Date                                             Date