

Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

Zahn Program Guidelines

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The recipient must be a member of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

Due to limited funding, all applications must be submitted by **December 15th** of the graduation year for the high school graduation incentive and the reimbursement of high school graduation expenses. All applications must be submitted by **December 15th** of the year the GED is received.

When a Tribal member graduates high school they must provide the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Department with an official high school transcript, with the school's embossed seal, demonstrating they have successfully graduated to receive the \$225.00 incentive.

When a Tribal member has demonstrated satisfactory performance on the General Educational Development (GED) Tests and received their High School Diploma, they must provide the Absentee Shawnee Tribe Education Department with a copy of their High School Diploma, to receive the \$125.00 incentive.

Both incentives will come in the form of a check sent to the address specified by the student, within thirty (30) days of submitting required documents.

When a Tribal member enters their senior year in high school they must provide a class schedule or a letter from a school official stating they are currently at senior status to receive the funding to cover the expense of \$150.00 toward graduation expenses (cap, gown, announcements, etc.) not to exceed the dollar amount of the said graduation package associated with the student's school. Senior pictures are not covered.

All funding dispersed through this program requires the following documents in addition to those written above:

- Copy of Tribal Enrollment Card
- Completed Zahn/Academic Program application
- IRS W-9 Form

This program will only last until the funds are depleted. It will be handled on a first come, first served basis.