

NOTICE OF INTENT

Office of the Governor
Office of Indian Affairs

American Indian Scholarship (LAC 28:VIII.Chapters 1-3)

In accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:953(A), the Office of Indian Affairs proposes to adopt LAC 28:VII.Chapters 1-3, Indian Affairs Scholarship.

With assistance from the Louisiana Indian Educational Association, the Office of Indian Affairs annually provides awards to Native American students from Louisiana tribes to attend a college or higher education institution of their choice. The awards are funded through proceeds received from the renewal and sale of special prestige license plates for motor vehicles representing Native American culture in accordance with RS 47:463.78. Recipients are selected based on academic and financial need.

The proposed provisions incorporate the scholarship eligibility and review process into the Louisiana Administrative Code.

Title 28 EDUCATION

Part VIII. Indian Affairs Scholarship Chapter 1. General Provisions

§101. Purpose

A. This Part establishes procedures for the Indian Affairs Scholarship Program. LAC 28:VIII outlines the process of applying for and awarding the American Indian Scholarship.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 46:2303 and R.S. 47:463.78.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Office of the Governor, Office of Indian Affairs, LR 46:

§103. Enrollment

A. The scholarship applicant can enroll and be accepted into any institute of higher learning.

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Chapter 3. Scholarship Application

§301. Application

A. Any student applying for the American Indian Scholarship must complete the application packet as provided through the

Office of Indian Affairs. This application solicits the following data:

1. personal information;
2. financial information and verification; and
3. academic information and verification.

B. All applicants shall provide proof of tribal enrollment in a state-recognized Louisiana tribe.

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§303. Application Review

A. Applications will be reviewed on a competitive basis and selections will be based on the following criteria:

1. heritage;
2. financial need;
3. short essay answers; and
4. academic performance.

B. All applications must be received or postmarked by the deadline date on the application.

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Family Impact Statement

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on family formation, stability, and autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

Poverty Impact Statement

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on poverty as defined by R.S. 49:973.

Small Business Analysis

Pursuant to R.S. 49:965.6, methods for reduction of the impact on small business, as defined in the Regulatory Flexibility Act, have been considered when creating this proposed Rule.

This proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an adverse impact on small businesses; therefore, a Small Business Economic Impact Statement has not been prepared.

Provider Impact Statement

The proposed Rule is not anticipated to have an impact on providers of services funded by the state as described in HCR 170 of the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.