Kee Laa-yo-lue-mehl Scholarship
(They will Teach)

Yurok Language Project: Bridging the Language Gaps from Preschool through College
Applications due December 1, 2017

The Yurok Language Program is proud to announce the availability of 6 scholarships in the amount of
approximately $3,000/semester for a five year period. Students awarded a scholarship will also earn additional
stipends for participation in language activities.

The Administration for Native Americans awarded a 5-year grant to the Language Program to fund:
1. Candidates who will gain the knowledge and fluency in Yurok Language necessary to pass the Advanced
   Yurok Credential Assessment and will earn a Life-Time Native Language Teaching Credential.
2. Candidates who will complete training in the teaching of Yurok Language and will provide language
   instruction to language learners in pre-school to college.
3. Candidates who will obtain a Bachelor’s Degree jointly with a Standard California Teaching Credential,
   Master’s Degree, or Administrative Credential.

The Language Program seeks candidates who:
✓ Intend to teach Yurok language in addition to other subject areas in the local early education centers,
   school systems, or colleges.
✓ Have some knowledge, or are willing to learn, the Yurok Language.
✓ Have earned at least 36 college units at a junior college or university.
✓ Have completed their Master’s/PhD degree and would like to teach Yurok in the college system.
✓ Will complete their B.A./B.S. and Teaching Credential or M.A./M.S. by 2021 or within 5 years of
   award.
✓ Have applied for FAFSA or are utilizing other funding sources.

Please be advised:
✓ Students are expected to fully participate in all other Yurok language learning activities, including Yurok
   language tutoring, language PODs, classes, language camps and teaching assignments in order to remain
   active in the program.
✓ Students who do not complete all requirements of the program will be expected to pay the award back
   in full.

The Language Program will offer a Language Specialist who will assist each student throughout the
academic semesters with Language trainings, resources and educational goals.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Yurok Language Program at (707) 482-1350

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Application Instructions:

Applicant must meet the following requirements to be eligible to compete for this scholarship:

- Applicant must be an enrolled Yurok tribal member or Yurok descendant (contact YT Enrollment Department for proof of descendancy)
- Student must provide proof of school enrollment or proof of future enrollment by Fall 2017
- Student must remain in good standing at an accredited institution of higher education with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better
- Student must provide a copy of their transcripts to the Yurok Language Program
- Applicants must also submit 3 letters of recommendation, to be included with the completed application
- Students need to show on the application that they have applied for at least 2 other funding sources
- Students may contact the Yurok Tribe Education Department for information about other funding options
- Applicant must complete a personal statement, no more than 2 pages, which includes:
  - A detailed description of applicant’s Yurok language competency level and their experience with Yurok language
  - An explanation of their commitment to the Yurok language, the community and their education
  - A description of their education plan, career goals, and commitment to the teacher field. (E.g. where does the applicant see themselves in five years?)
  - A description of the applicants Yurok language teaching goals
  - How will this scholarship help applicant achieve their goals?
- Applicant must pass background check

Students must turn in a complete application packet postmarked by:

December 1, 2017 TO:

Yurok Tribe
Language Program
P.O. Box 1027
Klamath, CA 95548

All information is volunteered; however failure to fully complete all application parts may result in delays in processing this application or disqualify your application from the scholarship application process. Information provided on the application will be verified through the Yurok Language Program.
Yurok Tribe Language Program
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: ___________________________ SSN #:_____________________

Last                First      MI         Maiden

Address: _____________________________________________________ Telephone: _______________________

Street/P.O. Box     City       State      Zip Code

Date of Birth: __________ Gender: M     F     Full-time student YES NO

Application Request for School Year 20___ - 20___ Part-time student YES NO

Name of College or University: __________________________________________

Major: ____________________________ Expected Graduation Date: _______________

Year in Program if already started: ______ Units Completed: _______ (PLEASE PROVIDE TRANSCRIPTS)

Circle if you have any of the following: AA    BA/BS    MA/MS    PhD    Teaching Credential Other:___________

Current Cumulative GPA: _______ Yurok Competency Level: Basic Intermediate Advanced

Tribal Status: ____ Yurok     ____ Yurok Descendent     ____ Other: ________________

Please indicate the amount of time (years) you have participated in the following Yurok Language (YL) activities:

_____ YL Camp       _____ Community YL Class
_____ Taught YL (Head Start, JOM, etc.)       _____ Pod participant
_____ Yurok Language in High School       _____ Master/Apprentice team
_____ Yurok Native Language Teaching Credential____ YL Workshop
_____ YL Summer Institute       _____ YL Intern
_____ Immersion Nests/Classes       _____ Other: Please list _______________________________

Other Sources of Funding (FAFSA, employment, etc.): 1. _____________________ 2.________________________

Have you ever been convicted of a felony drug, sexual abuse, or domestic violence crime:     YES NO

Statement of Commitment: I declare that I will use my grant award to commit my efforts towards my education and
to help restore the Yurok Language to the status of a living, flouring language.

Print Name _______________________________________________________________________________

Signature of Student___________________________________________ Date: ___________________________

E-Mail Address:_____________________________________________________________________________

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:      Date Received: __________ Application Complete: ___ yes ___ no

Items needed: _____________________________________________________________________________

Date Complete: ____________________________

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