



SECTION 4

AGAI DICUTTA SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

4.1 – PURPOSE:

The scholarship is made available from tax revenues collected on the Walker River Paiute Reservation. Each year, the revenues vary, and each year, the amount allotted to the Education Department varies. This funding is contingent on the amount of business conducted on the reservation.

- A. The Agai Dicutta Scholarship is for the specified purpose of financially assisting eligible WRPT members who are enrolled in an accredited college, university, or recognized Adult Vocational Training program.
- B. The purpose of these policies is to set forth procedures and requirements to govern the awarding of the WRPT Agai Dicutta Scholarship as administered by the WRPT Education Department.

4.2 – QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Must be an enrolled member, certified with the Walker River Paiute Tribe.
2. Full-time (12 credits or more), Higher Education student or a full-time Adult Vocational Training (AVT) student.
3. A completed Agai Dicutta Scholarship Application.
4. A completed Higher Education or Adult Vocational Training (AVT) application on file each semester/quarter, including a signed FERPA release and W-9 request form for student check payments.

4.3 DISBURSEMENT METHODS:

- A. Each yearly allotted tax dollars will be divided in half and disbursed for the Fall semester and Spring semester. Funding will be divided equally amongst all eligible applicants amount not to exceed \$1,000.
- B. Vocational students will receive an allotted amount divided into two funding cycles to cover deadlines, with an amount not to exceed \$1,000.
- C. The Agai Dicutta Scholarship is in accordance with the following deadlines:

Higher Education deadlines:

Fall Semester

- Third Friday of July, by 5:00 p.m. (PDT) – Students' deadline for applying.

Spring Semester

- December 15th - Deadline for submitting a completed application.

Adult Vocational Training (AVT) deadlines:

- a. 1st Quarter – December 15th deadline
- b. 2nd Quarter – March 15th deadline
- c. 3rd Quarter – June 15th deadline
- d. 4th Quarter – September 15th deadline

- D. The Agai Dicutta Scholarship check will be sent directly to each student.

4.4 – 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, which resulted in being placed on academic probation.
 - b. Notification of this action will be made to the student by letter, but the lack of a letter will not negate the action. If substantial progress is not made during the 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 if he/ she maintains the academic requirements stipulated by the program.
4. Special circumstances may be considered by the Board of Education on a case-by-case basis.

4.5 – WITHDRAWALS:

- A. If a student receives the tribal grant check and cashes it, then decides not to attend school or withdraw from school, they will not be eligible for any funding until they pay back the tribal grant check, or they attend and make up the credits lost during the semester.

4.6 – APPEALS PROCEDURES:

- A. The appeals procedures will adhere to the relevant policy, depending on whether it pertains to the Higher Education or AVT grant program.