The Virgil Masayesva Native American Environmental Education Scholarship Fund

The Virgil Masayesva Native American Environmental Education Scholarship Fund was established in honor of a co-founder of the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals.

Awards will be for Spring 2021. There will be at least one award of $2,000, plus additional awards as funding allows.

Scholarship Criteria:
- Students must be a member of a federally recognized tribe.
- Students must be a full-time student attending the Northern Arizona University Flagstaff Mountain Campus.
- Students must be majoring in environmental engineering, environmental sciences or environmental studies. Related fields such as chemistry, biology, and others are encouraged to apply, if the student is strongly committed to environmental protection.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of a 2.5 or higher.
- Students must have demonstrated financial need as determined by the NAU Financial Aid Office.
- Students must be a sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate student at the time of the award.
- Students must have a strong interest in helping American Indian tribes address environmental protection of their resources and land.

How to Apply:
- Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB)
- NAU unofficial transcripts.
- Two recommendations (see attached form)
- Resume
- One page essay explaining your commitment to environmental protection of tribal natural resources.

Deadline: December 4, 2020

Questions:
Contact Mansel A Nelson at mansel.nelson@nau.edu or 928-221-1222 for any questions.
Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
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Recommendation for: _____________________________

Please provide a candid reference on the above named candidate.

About the Scholarship: The Virgil Masayesva Native American Environmental Education Scholarship Fund was established to defray costs associated with attending Northern Arizona University. Students must be a member of a federally-recognized tribe attending school at the Northern Arizona University’s Mountain campus. Students must have a strong commitment to environmental protection and helping American Indian tribes address environmental protection of their resources and land.

How long have you known this candidate?

In what capacity have you known the individual?

Please rate the candidate in the following areas:

Please rate the student’s commitment to environmental protection.

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Please rate the student’s commitment to helping tribal communities.

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Overall recommendation for applicant:

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Additional Comments: Your recommendation is critical to the committee’s decision. Please provide any other comments about the candidate that you feel the committee should know in a recommendation letter in addition to this form.

Name ___________________________ Title ___________________________  
Address ________________________________________________________________________________  
Email ___________________________  
Telephone ________________________  
Date ____________________________

Please return the completed form to the ITEP Masayesva Scholarship Program, PO Box 5768, Flagstaff, AZ 86011, Fax: (928) 286-8882, Email: mansel.nelson@nau.edu.