

CLASSIFICATION: #35. SOCIAL SERVICES/PUBLIC ASSISTANCE/DONATIONS

A LAW OF THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION AMENDING MCNCA TITLE 35, CHAPTER 6 ENTITLED "SCHOOL CLOTHING PROGRAM"

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation:

SECTION ONE. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. This amendment shall be codified in Title 35, Chapter 6, of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation; provided that for purposes of codification of said amendment and its inclusion in pocket parts of the Code of Laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, the Attorney General is hereby authorized: (1) to approve any changes related to the manner in which sections, articles, chapters and sub-chapters are designated consistent with the format in the Code of Laws published in 2010 by West Publishing Company; (2) to include footnoted references to the legislative history in said pocket parts to the Code of Laws and (3) to note in said pocket parts any editorial correction of minor clerical or grammatical errors in the following amendment, without further National Council approval:

CHAPTER 6. SCHOOL CLOTHING PROGRAM

§ 6-101. Eligibility

- A. The childstudent for whom the application is submitted shall be currently enrolled as a Muscogee (Creek) Citizen as evidenced by an original enrollment card or the submission of a membership detail document verified by the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Citizenship Board which indicates the childstudent is eligible for citizenship and will be issued a roll number.
- B. Public and Private Schools. <u>StudentChild</u> must be at least three (3) years old and enrolled in any Certified Head Start or private school program, or the <u>studentchild</u> must be at least four (4) years old and enrolled in a public school or private school program and no higher than the twelfth (12th) grade.
 - 1. Public and Private Schools. Proof of enrollment must be provided for all <u>students</u>children as evidenced by documentation from school officials on school letterhead, including the official seal of the school <u>or by submitting the Muscogee (Creek) Nation School enrollment verification form.</u>

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- C.2. Home School. <u>StudentChild</u> must be between the ages of five (5) and eighteen (18). However, in the event that a <u>studentchild</u> tests out before he/she turns eighteen, the <u>studentchild</u> shall no longer be eligible to participate in the program.
 - 1.2. Home School. Proof of enrollment must be provided for all studentschildren as evidenced by documentation of accredited curriculum and the signing of an Affidavit by the individual providing the education stating that the studentchild is home schooled. The Affidavit shall be provided by Social Services to the applicant. Turning in a false affidavit may result in the applicant being prosecuted under the laws of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and will result in the student(s)child(ren) not being eligible for services under the program.
- D. College and Technical Schools. Students must be twenty-four (24) years of age or younger, enrolled full-time in a college or technical school, and pursuing an undergraduate education/certification.
 - 1. Proof of enrollment must be provided by student as evidenced by documentation from the college or technical school registrar on school letterhead, including the official seal of the college or technical school.

§ 6-102. Accountability

D.The applicant must return signed receipts in the amount of Two Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per students hid for students through the fifth (5th) grade, Two Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$250.00) for students in sixth (6th) grade through twelfth (12th) grade and One Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars for students in a college or technical school for school clothing purchases no later than ninety (90) days from the issuance date of the check. If receipts are not submitted returned or receipts submitted are do not returned in the total the amount distributed, the student, Custodial Parent/Guardian and/or Spouse of the household will receive a reduced amount the following year in increments of \$200.00 per child. Should a new child will not be eligible the following next program year, they will not be affected by the reduced amount.

- § 6-103. Administration/Distribution of grants
- A. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Social Services Department shall administer the School Clothing Program.
 - B. School Clothing payments will be distributed as follows:

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- 1. One (1) payment of Two Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$200.00) shall be allowed per <u>student</u>child for each school <u>per program</u> year <u>for students through the fifth (5th) grade</u>.
- 2. One (1) payment of Two Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$250.00) shall be allowed per student per program year for students in sixth (6th) grade through twelfth (12th) grade.
- 3. One (1) payment of One Hundred Fifty and No/100 Dollars (\$150.00) shall be allowed per student per program year for students twenty-four (24) years of age or younger in a college or technical school.
- C. Grants will be available for catastrophic loss (Natural Disaster, Domestic Violence or Homeless).
- D. Grants will be available on a first come, first serve basis until all funds are expended. Once funds are expended, no waiting list(s) shall be developed to carry into the next program year. All previous waiting lists shall be disregarded.
- E. One Three Hundred Eleven Six Thousand, Two Hundred Twenty nine Forty-Seven and No/100 Dollars (\$111,229306,047.00) of the total appropriation shall be allocated for administrative costs. Any funds remaining after administrative costs are expended shall be utilized for the School Clothing Program.

§ 6-104. Application period

The application period for the School Clothing Program shall be for a duration of One Hundred Twenty (120) days the program year with the beginning and ending dates to be determined by the Social Services Department.

§ 6-105. Appropriation

The sum of One <u>Two</u> Million, <u>Three Hundred Sixty-four</u> <u>Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine</u> Thousand, <u>Eight Hundred</u> Forty-<u>Seven</u> and No/100 Dollars (\$1,364,8402,829,047.00) is hereby appropriated from <u>funds designated by</u> the <u>Gaming Revenue Fund Account</u> <u>Controller's Office</u> for the Implementation of this Act.

§ 6-106. Authorization

The National Council hereby authorizes the Principal Chief to expend the sum of One Two Million, Three Hundred Sixty-four Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand, Eight Hundred Forty-Seven and No/100 Dollars (\$1,364,8402,829,047.00) from the Gamingfunds designated by the Controller's Office Revenue Fund Account for the

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Hundred Forty-Seven and No/100 Dollars (\$1,364,8402,829,047.00) from the Gamingfunds designated by the Controller's Office Revenue Fund Account for the School Clothing Program. This appropriation shall be included in the Comprehensive Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year 200918 and annually thereafter. Funds shall carry forward until fully expended.

SECTION TWO. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>. This Act shall become effective January 1, 2018 upon proper approval and execution in accordance with the requirements of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation Constitution.

ENACTED by the Muscogee (Creek) National Council on this <u>26th</u> day of <u>August</u>, <u>2017</u>.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Speaker of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council has hereto attached his signature.

Lucian Tiger III, Speaker

National Council

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that the foregoing is a true extract from the minutes of the Muscogee (Creek) National Council comprised of Sixteen members with <u>Fourteen</u> members attending this meeting on the <u>26th</u> day of <u>August, 2017</u> and that the above is in conformity with the provisions therein adopted by a vote of <u>13</u> in favor, <u>0</u> against, and that said Law has not been rescinded or amended in any way and the above is the signature of the Speaker of the National Council.

Kristie A. Sewell, Recording Secretary Muscogee (Creek) National Council

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APPROVAL

I, the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, hereby affix my signature on this day of Article VI., Section VI., of the Constitution of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

James R. Floyd, Principal Muscogee (Creek) Nation

