



MOHAWKS OF AKWESASNE *Community Settlement Trust*

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2025 Trust Scholarship Application Form and Checklist

APPLICATION CHECKLIST – please ensure that you include and consider the following in your application submission:

- ☐ Use only the “2025 Trust Scholarship Application Form” (versions from prior years will not be accepted);
- ☐ Fully completed and signed “Application Form” (pgs. 4-8)
- ☐ Essay (500 - 600 words);
- ☐ Signed letter of recommendation (signature cannot be typed, but Trustees can work with applicants to use electronic signatures using certain formats);
- ☐ Copy of letter of acceptance for the fall semester if you are entering your first year;
- ☐ Copy of your official transcript or report card; and
- ☐ Completed Membership Confirmation Form signed by the Applicant (do NOT submit to Office of Vital Statistics).
- ☐ Submit your application by/before the deadline of **Friday, June 27, 2025 at 4:00pm EST**

Applications with missing information, or late applications, will not be considered

2025 Trust Scholarship Application Instructions

The Trustees of the Mohawks of Akwesasne Community Settlement Trust are pleased to announce that they will be granting Scholarships of \$3,000 for full-time students and \$1,500 for part-time students for a number of Akwesasronon who are attending Universities, Colleges or Technical Institutes.

Who can apply for the Scholarship?

Any Akwesasronon member who is pursuing a full-time or part-time post-secondary degree. You are considered to be a **full-time student** if you regularly attend a college, university, **or other educational institution (i.e., trade school)** in a program at a post-secondary school level (whether in Canada or not); and during a particular semester, you are taking at least 12 credits (four classes or more). **Part-time** would refer to you taking between 6 and 11 credits (generally two to three classes). Please contact the Trustees if you have any questions regarding your specific situation.

A letter of confirmation of admission (for students going into their first year), a copy of an official transcript/report card and copy of a completed Membership Confirmation form (see attached) signed by the Applicant are required, along with all other documents noted in the checklist provided. Please note that Members who were awarded a scholarship from the Trust in 2024 **are eligible** to re-apply for the 2025 scholarship.

Do not submit the Membership Confirmation form to the Office the Vital Statistics (“OVS”) – the Trust will send all Membership Confirmation forms at once to the OVS.

What is the deadline for submitting an application?

The deadline is **Friday, June 27, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. EST**. Applications will only be accepted via email at **applications.akwtrust@gmail.com** in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx), Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) or JPEG (.jpg) format. Include “2025 Trust Scholarship Application” in the subject line of your email.

Application Information Session – June 5, 2025 6-7pm

An optional information session will be held by Zoom to review the funding process, application, and to answer any questions you may have. Please email **applications.akwtrust@gmail.com** for the link to the meeting.



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Application Essay

Eligible Akwesasronon students must submit an application that includes an essay (500 minimum and 600 maximum words), on one of the two subjects below:

1. How has our Trust's Vision and Mission impacted your past, present and future.
2. Tell us how the Trust's Vision and Mission inspires you and your educational and life journey.

Trust Vision: To fulfill the obligations of the funds pursuant to the Settlement Agreement and to create and promote health, safety, well-being and economic development for Akwesasronon while preserving and revitalizing the language and cultural heritage of the community of Akwesasne.

Trust Mission: To provide funding to assist Akwesasronon in promoting their relationship with the land, traditional knowledge/language, culture and traditions, community health and wellness and economic development through activities that enhance the cohesiveness of Akwesasne as one community.

By completing your application, you agree that excerpts of your essay can be used by Trustee in Trust related communications. Your essay content must be original. Trustees will not accept essays that are created using Artificial Intelligence such as ChatPGT.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

If you have questions, please contact the Trust by email at **applications.akwtrust@gmail.com**, or contact one of the Trustees:

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DO NOT contact the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne with questions regarding the scholarship application process. All questions should be directed to **applications.akwtrust@gmail.com**.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by email. A list of the recipients will also be posted on the Trust's Facebook page, Trust Website, **akwesasnetrust.com**, and other publicly available locations.

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no later than Friday, June 27, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. EST.

Please note, the decision of the Trustees is final and is not open to be disputed in order to receive the award.

Name: _____

Address: _____

(City/Town/Village) (Province/State) (Postal Code/Zip Code)

Telephone number: _____

Email Address: _____

**University, College or Technical Institute attending (including City,
Province/State):**

Are you enrolled full or part time in program: ☐ (full-time) ☐ (part-time)

What is your course of study?

What is the length of your program in years? _____

Which year of the program are you entering? _____

What job/career/occupation do you hope to have when you graduate?

List any financial assistance you are currently or will receive (post-secondary funding, bursaries, scholarships, stipends, etc.) including amounts. Please be as accurate as possible. **Please note that receiving other sources of funding does not preclude you from receiving funding from the Trust.**

Source of funding for the year	Amount	Which Semester Funds are Applied to
AMBE		
SRMT		
OSAP		
Indspire		
Other Sources:		
Other Sources:		
Other Sources:		

Total: \$_____

What do you estimate your education-related expenses will be?

Completion of this section is mandatory.

Expenses	Sep. 1 to Dec. 31, 2025	Jan. 1 to Jun. 30, 2026	Total
Tuition			
Textbooks			
Academic supplies			
Accommodations			
Food			
Transportation			
Health programs/ insurance (if/as applicable)			
Other (identify)			
i.			
ii.			
iii.			

Total: \$_____ \$_____ \$_____

Provide a signed letter of recommendation from someone who knows you well, such as: Grand Chief & Council, Community administrator, Community education office, College or University guidance officer, Professor/Instructor, former employer, etc. Please ensure this letter is signed by the individual providing the recommendation, ***and that the signature is not typed.***

Essay submission

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Please use the provided checklist to ensure all documents and information have been submitted as required to:
[applications.akwtrust@gmail.com.](mailto:applications.akwtrust@gmail.com)

Certification and signature

I certify that I am the author of the material I am submitting to the Akwesasne Community Trustees. The Akwesasne Community Trustees may reproduce, distribute, publish, display, and otherwise use the material for any purpose in any form and on any media.

Name:

Date:

Applicant's Signature (do not type)



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MEMBERSHIP CONFIRMATION FORM

For the individual applying for a scholarship from the Trust, **please complete only Part 1 of this form**, including your name, date of birth and **signature**. Submit this form in your application.

Do not submit this form to the Office of Vital Statistics – the Trust will send all Membership Confirmation Forms at once to the OVS.

PART 1 - CONTACT PERSON INFORMATION

Name: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Registry Number: _____

I am the person applying for a scholarship from the Mohawks of Akwesasne Community Settlement Trust. The Trustees will need additional membership information as listed in Part 2 before acceptability of proposal can be determined. When complete, please forward this form to the Mohawks of Akwesasne Community Settlement Trust.

Applicant's Signature (do not type): _____

PART 2 –STATUS OF MEMBERSHIP (to be completed by OVS and NOT by the Applicant)

- ☐ Member under Akwesasne Membership Code
- ☐ Probationary member under the Akwesasne Membership Code
Expiration date of Probation Period: _____
- ☐ Not a member under Akwesasne Membership Code

Manager/Membership Officer
Office of Vital Statistics

Date