



Fall 2017  
Western Shoshone



## Education Funding Programs Application Packet!

**Please take a few minutes to read through this packet carefully - changes have been made to the application process and program administration!**

**Students must apply to the specific program for which they are eligible – each program has its own application.**

**The Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation  
program application is now ONLINE!**



This application packet provides information on several separate educational funding programs supported by Barrick for eligible\* Western Shoshone students. Each program has a different application process. Key features of each program are outlined in the chart on the next page (**page 2**) with additional details on each provided in the remaining pages of this booklet. The flow chart on page three (**page 3**) is designed to assist you in determining the program to which you should submit an application.

**Be sure to review the flowchart on page 3 to ensure you apply for the correct funding program!**

Successfully applying to a Western Shoshone education funding program is as easy as these two steps!

1. APPLY to the program for which you are eligible by the **June 26<sup>th</sup> deadline!**
2. PROVIDE additional required information/documentation as soon as available to the appropriate administrator.
  - i. Grades/transcript from most recent term completed (or final high school transcript or high school diploma for those who have not previously pursued post-high school education)
  - ii. Registration for upcoming term
  - iii. First time applicants:
    - Evidence of tribal affiliation
    - Personal statement/education plan

**All students must complete and submit an application on or before the Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> deadline to be considered for Fall 2017 funding.**

**Applications received and/or postmarked after the deadline will not be considered.**

**As always, submit your application by the deadline,  
even if you do not have all of the additional required documents!**

**REMINDER – PROCESS CHANGE! The three programs outlined in this application packet now have different and separate application processes! Be sure to review the requirements and process for each program to ensure you apply correctly for the appropriate funding award!**

	<b>Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation</b>	<b>Tuition Assistance Program for Great Basin College</b>	<b>Barrick “Gold” Mining Scholarship</b>
<b>Features / Requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* For students enrolled full-time in an eligible/accredited college, university or vocational program or institution</li> <li>* Full-time is a minimum of 11 credits (or equivalent as recognized by the school)</li> <li>* Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA</li> <li>* \$3,000 per term/semester, up to two awards per year, for 4-year and graduate degree programs</li> <li>* \$1,500 per term/semester, up to two awards per year, for 2-year degree and eligible vocational/ technical certificate programs</li> <li>* Award is paid directly to the student</li> <li>* Includes Master’s and Doctoral level degree programs</li> <li>* May also be eligible for Barrick “GOLD” Mining scholarship</li> <li>* Not eligible for Tuition Assistance Program at Great Basin College</li> <li>* See pages 4 and 8-10 for additional details</li> <li>* APPLY ONLINE at <a href="http://tr.scholarshipamerica.org/westernshoshone">tr.scholarshipamerica.org/westernshoshone</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* For eligible students taking on-line course work through Great Basin College who are <u>ineligible</u> for the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation</li> <li>* Only for degree/certificate programs which promote career enhancement, increased potential for employment, or increased earning potential</li> <li>* Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA to be eligible</li> <li>* Covers tuition fees for on-line course work only, up to 12 credit hours per semester</li> <li>* Award is paid directly to Great Basin College for credit to student account</li> <li>* See pages 11-13 for additional details</li> <li>* See pages 5 &amp; 6 for application form</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* For Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation award recipients who have reached undergraduate sophomore, junior or senior status or are in a Master’s or Doctoral level program in one of the following degree fields:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Chemical, Civil, Environmental, Geological, Geophysical, Geotechnical, Mining or Metallurgical Engineering</li> <li>o Environmental Science</li> <li>o Geology</li> <li>o Mineral Processing</li> <li>o Wildlife Ecology / Conservation</li> </ul> </li> <li>* Minimum 2.5 GPA</li> <li>* \$1,500 per term, up to two awards per year</li> <li>* Award is paid directly to the student</li> <li>* See pages 7 and 13 for additional details</li> </ul>
<b>First Time</b>	<p>First time applicants should be prepared to submit scanned or photo files of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of tribal affiliation</li> <li>• Personal statement / education plan</li> <li>• Final high school transcript or diploma OR grades/transcript from most recent term completed</li> <li>• Registration for upcoming term</li> </ul>	<p>First time applicants should submit scanned/ photographed/copies of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed application for scholarship funds (2 pages)</li> <li>• Evidence of tribal affiliation</li> <li>• Personal statement / education plan</li> <li>• Final high school transcript or diploma OR grades/transcript from most recent term completed</li> <li>• Registration for upcoming term</li> </ul>	<p>First time applicants should be prepared to submit scanned/ photographed/copies of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal statement / education plan</li> <li>• Grades/transcript from most recent term completed</li> <li>• Registration for upcoming term</li> <li>• Course curriculum/program of study verification/degree requirements</li> </ul>
<b>Continuing Applicants</b>	<p>Students who have previously received an award from this program will be required to provide the same information as first time applicants for this term to facilitate the transition to online administration. See above for required documents.</p>	<p>Students who have previously received an award from this program should be prepared to submit scanned/ photographed/copies of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed application for scholarship funds (2 pages)</li> <li>• Grades/transcript from most recent term completed reflecting term GPA</li> <li>• Registration for upcoming term confirming full-time enrollment</li> </ul>	<p>Students who have previously received an award from this program should be prepared to submit scanned/ photographed/copies of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grades/transcript from most recent term completed reflecting term GPA</li> <li>• Registration for upcoming term confirming full-time enrollment</li> </ul>

*\*For assistance with interpretation of eligibility criteria, please review the eligibility flow chart.*

Questions regarding the education funding programs supported by Barrick may be directed to:

Brian Mason (775) 748-1107

Kristi Honeyestewa (775) 748-1224

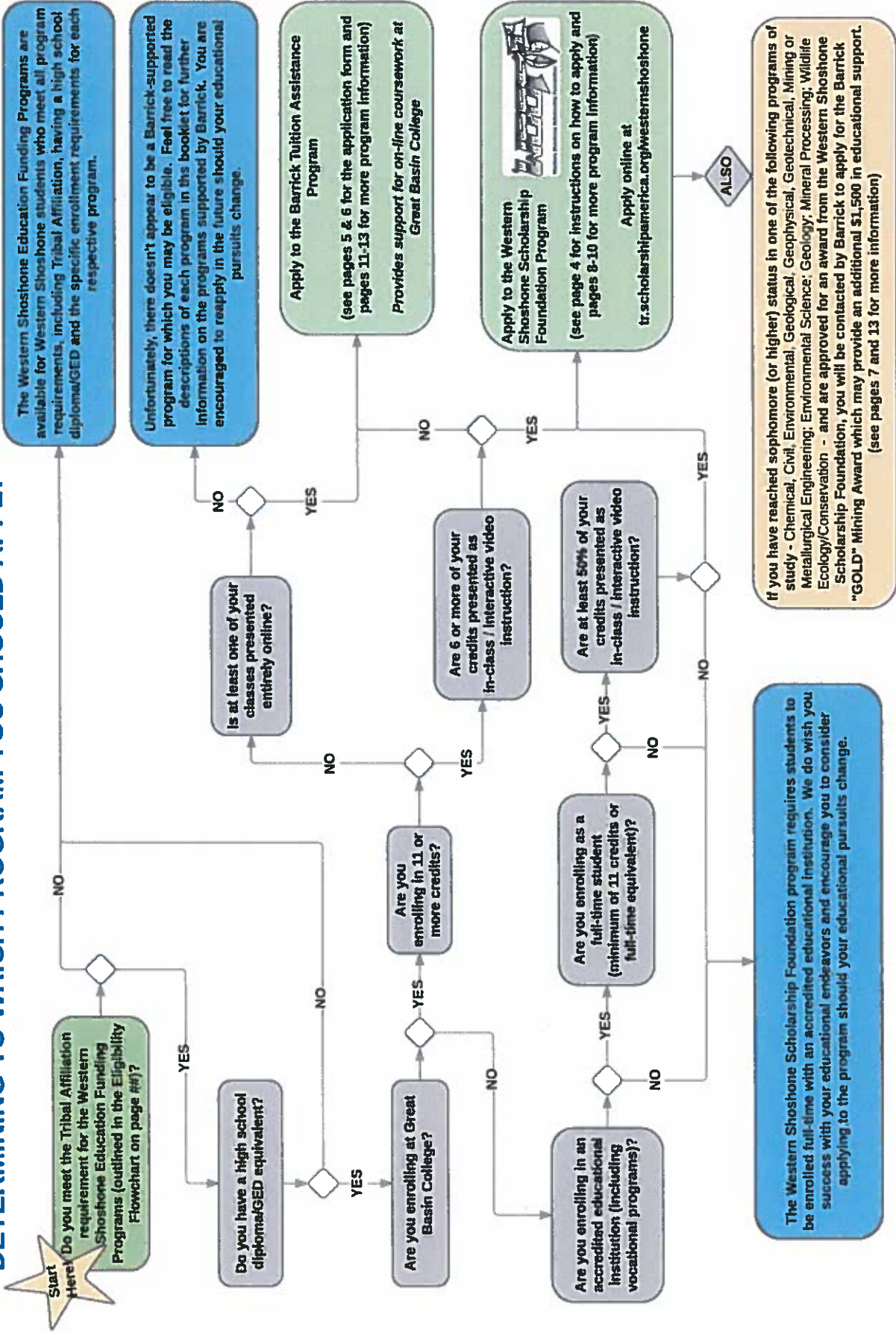
Antoinette Cavanaugh (775) 397-4764

Katie Neddenriep (775) 748-1258

Questions may also be submitted via email to [community@barrick.com](mailto:community@barrick.com)

**DEADLINE TO APPLY – MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017**

# WESTERN SHOSHONE EDUCATION FUNDING PROGRAMS - DETERMINING TO WHICH PROGRAM YOU SHOULD APPLY





## WESTERN SHOSHONE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION – ONLINE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Apply online at <http://tr.scholarshipamerica.org/westernshoshone>

1. Register for the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation program (ALL students will need to register)
2. Create a User ID, complete all other blanks and create a password. Once finished, click “submit.” *Be sure to use an email address which you use on a frequent basis – communication will be done via email.*

3. Log into your account using your newly created User ID and password.

4. Click on the “Profile” link to create your profile. This can also be found under the “Participant Menu” link.
5. Complete all required (\*) questions. *Note: Changing your password is not required. This is optional and does not need to be completed.* Click “Submit” to proceed to apply.
6. Review the Program Guidelines if desired. These are the same as outlined in this booklet.
7. Click “Submit an Application” (or select in the “Participant Menu”) to start the application process.
8. Complete the application. *You must complete the entire form in one session – if you logout prior to submitting your data, your information will not be saved.*

Application submission window for 2017-18 academic year:	
Fall 2017	May 10th, 2017 to June 26th, 2017
Spring 2018	November 18 to December 22, 2017

**Have questions or concerns about the application process?**

**Contact Scholarship America! Email [westernshoshone@scholarshipamerica.org](mailto:westernshoshone@scholarshipamerica.org) or call (507) 931-0494**





## TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM for Western Shoshone Online Coursework at Great Basin College

### APPLICATION FORM | PAGE 1 OF 2

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address/Place of Residence \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended \_\_\_\_\_ High School Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am seeking a (please circle):      Vocational Certificate      Associates      Bachelors

CURRENT Class Year (circle)      Freshman      Sophomore      Junior      Senior

Major/Program of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation/Completion Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRIBAL AFFILIATION

Please indicate the tribe/band with which you are enrolled/affiliated.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Battle Mountain Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of the Western Shoshone | <input type="checkbox"/> South Fork Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duck Valley Shoshone-Paiute Tribe                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Wells Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duckwater Shoshone Tribe  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yomba Shoshone Tribe                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elko Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of the Western Shoshone            |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ely Shoshone Tribe  |   |

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS** in addition to submitting this completed application form (2 pages), applicants must submit the following supporting documents. Applications submitted without these documents will be considered incomplete and not considered until all documents are received. If these documents are not available before the deadline, submit the completed application with a note of when additional documents will be submitted.

The following documents must be submitted upon first applying to the program:

1. Application for Tuition Assistance Program – completed form (2 pages)
2. Personal statement/education plan written by the applicant (not more than two typed, double-spaced pages)
3. Grades/transcript from most recent term completed reflecting a minimum 2.0 GPA (or final high school transcript or diploma)
4. Registration for upcoming term verifying enrollment
5. Evidence of Tribal affiliation (photocopies/pictures are acceptable)

The following documents must be submitted upon applying for continued Tuition Assistance funding:

1. Application for Tuition Assistance Program – completed form (2 pages)
2. Grades/transcript from most recent term completed reflecting a minimum 2.0 GPA.
3. Registration for upcoming term verifying enrollment
4. Updated Personal statement/education plan written by the applicant. This is only required once per year, not each term.

**APPLICATION FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE**

### COMMITMENT ON THE PART OF THE STUDENT

- I understand that I am expected to maintain at least a 2.0 grade point average (GPA), thereby making progress toward earning a degree, learning a trade or developing an employable skill.
  - I understand that if I do not complete the funded credit hours, no repayment is required; however, I will not be eligible for additional awards under this program until those funded credit hours are completed or I refund the award to Barrick.
  - I understand that each semester I am required to provide proof of registration, a copy of my grades for the previous semester and a completed application form with my signature. I also understand that failure to provide all of these documents within the allotted timeframe may disqualify me for awards under this program.
  - I understand that I am responsible for following the guidelines set forth by the Tuition Assistance Program. I further understand that failure to comply with the guidelines may cause me to forfeit any funds awarded to me and make me ineligible for participation in this program in the future.
  - I authorize Great Basin College and any educational institution I have attended to release information to Barrick regarding my enrollment status and grades.
- By checking this box, I authorize Barrick to use or release my information to its affiliates and consultants for use in consideration of internship, employment, recognition and other opportunities.**

**I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBMIT APPLICATION AND  
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS NO  
LATER THAN MON, JUNE 26 TO:**

**BARRICK TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
Attn: Kristi Honeyestewa, Barrick CR  
P.O. Box 29 | Elko, NV 89803  
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## Barrick “GOLD” Mining Scholarship for Western Shoshone

### Updated application process beginning Fall 2017!

Barrick will be notified of students who are:

- Approved for an award from the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation
- Sophomore, Junior, Senior, Graduate or Doctoral level students
- Pursuing a degree in one of the following eligible programs of study:



Chemical Engineering



Civil Engineering



Environmental Engineering or Environmental Science



Geology



Geological Engineering



Geophysical Engineering



Geotechnical Engineering



Mining Engineering



Metallurgical Engineering



Mineral Processing



Wildlife Ecology / Conservation

### Upon identifying potential eligible Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation award recipients, Barrick will contact those students to:

- Complete an application for the Barrick “GOLD” Mining Scholarship
- Submit the complete application along with the following documentation
  - Most recent term grades confirming a minimum GPA of 2.5
  - Verification of program of study/degree requirements
    - (continuing applicants will not be required to provide this documentation)

An application deadline and notification timeline will be communicated with the distribution of the application for this program. Applications will be distributed in late July, after the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors have met and approved Fall 2017 applicants.



## WESTERN SHOSHONE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION | PROGRAM GUIDELINES

### ELIGIBILITY

#### TO BE ELIGIBLE AN APPLICANT MUST BE A WESTERN SHOSHONE AND:

- Be a high school graduate (or GED equivalent) and
- Be enrolled to attend an eligible educational institution and
- Be EITHER a Western Shoshone descendant who is an enrolled member of one of the following Tribes or Bands:
  - Battle Mountain Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone<sup>1</sup>
  - Duck Valley Shoshone-Paiute Tribe
  - Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
  - Elko Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Ely Shoshone Tribe
  - South Fork Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Wells Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Yomba Shoshone Tribe

#### OR

- A Western Shoshone descendant who is not an enrolled member of any of the tribes and bands listed above, but who is a resident of any one of the tribal/band reservation areas or service areas listed with a parent who is an enrolled member of any one of the tribes/bands listed (need not be the same community in which the applicant resides).

**Residency Waiver Conditions:** The residency requirement for educational support from Barrick for a non-enrolled applicant with one parent who is an enrolled member of a partner community will be waived if the applicant has moved out of the reservation or service area of a partner community:

- to join the United States military service,
- to attend college, university or vocational school (so long as the applicant is still in school),
- to attend Indian Residential School,
- because the applicant was removed from his or her household by child welfare services, or
- because a caregiver/parent of the applicant died and the applicant went to live with another relative.

There are no age limits on eligibility, however, scholarships may only be offered to applicants seeking to enhance their employment opportunities/career prospects and/or their ability to perform a service needed by their community.

### TYPES OF INSTITUTIONS & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

There are certain educational institutions that are approved for funding under this program. Approved institutions and educational programs are:

- Undergraduate and graduate level programs at licensed and accredited schools, junior colleges, private and public colleges or universities
- Accredited vocational, trade and technical schools
- On-line coursework (at approved institutions) not constituting more than 50% of minimum required credit hours

### TYPES OF PROGRAMS AND INSTITUTIONS THAT ARE NOT CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS ARE:

- Apprenticeship programs (especially those offered through employment)
- Home study or self-taught coursework
- High school enrichment studies or accelerated high school study programs
- On-line coursework (more than 50% of minimum required credits) - *See Tuition Assistance Program information on pages 12-14 if more than 50% of the minimum required credits are on-line and you are attending Great Basin College*
- Internships (paid or unpaid)
- Any educational programs at unaccredited institutions

The foregoing is not presented as an inclusive or exclusive listing implying automatic approval or disapproval. Each program or institution will be judged upon its merits in an effort to fulfill the spirit and the purpose of this program. Final decision making authority lies with the Foundation's Board of Trustees.

<sup>1</sup>Applicants affiliated with the Battle Mountain Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone who are eligible based upon the eligibility criteria defined above will receive scholarships from Barrick identical to WSSF scholarships but the funds for these scholarships will be provided directly by Barrick. Battle Mountain Band applicants must follow the same application process and associated requirements, selection criteria, and award levels will be the same.



## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

### THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS SEEKING AN INITIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

- Application for Scholarship Funds – completed form
- Personal statement/education plan written by the applicant (not more than two typed, double-spaced pages) describing the applicant's goals, objectives and reasons for pursuing a higher education and how further education will enable him/her to contribute to the welfare of his/her community.
- Copy of grades/transcript reflecting a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) from most recent term completed or high school diploma or final high school transcript for those who have not pursued post-high school education previously.
- Copy of registration reflecting enrollment in a minimum of 11 credits for upcoming term (not exceeding 50% of required minimum credits on-line)
- Evidence of eligible tribal enrollment or evidence of residency and parental enrollment (see Eligibility Flowchart for Scholarships)

### THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY APPLICANTS SEEKING A CONTINUATION OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING:

- Application for Scholarship Funds – completed form
- Updated education plan (not more than two typed, double-spaced pages), outlining how the applicant intends to achieve his/her educational objective
- Copy of grades/transcript reflecting a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) and the completion of a minimum of 11 credits from most recent term
- Copy of registration reflecting enrollment in a minimum of 11 credits for upcoming term (not exceeding 50% of required minimum credits on-line)
- Evidence of tribal affiliation or residency/parental enrollment – only required if applicant's tribal affiliation/enrollment has changed since original application (photocopies are acceptable)

## ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

### ESTABLISHMENT

Effective August 1, 2008, Barrick, the Duck Valley Western Shoshone Committee, Duckwater Shoshone Tribe, Ely Shoshone Tribe and Yomba Shoshone Tribe established the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation through signing of the Collaborative Agreement. The Foundation, a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization, administers the Western Shoshone Educational Legacy Fund. The South Fork, Wells and Elko Bands of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone and the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone have subsequently signed the Collaborative Agreement and have become parties to the Fund and its administration.

### PURPOSE AND AWARD AMOUNTS

The purpose of the educational aid/scholarship program is to provide financial assistance to eligible Western Shoshone students for university education, college education and/or vocational/technical training up to \$3,000/semester for 4-year university or college bachelor's, graduate, masters and doctorate degree programs and \$1,500/semester for 2-year college, associates, vocational or technical school programs and accredited vocational/technical certificate programs.

### OBJECTIVE

The objective of this program is to provide assistance to an eligible student by partially covering the cost of attending an educational institution to learn a skill or obtain a degree to enhance employment opportunities and career prospects.

### FUNDING

Barrick has donated funds since 2009 for the program on an on-going basis. In the future other organizations may also contribute to the program. The Fund is designed to be sustainable and to benefit current and future generations of eligible Western Shoshone from Barrick's partner communities.

### ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

Funds awarded shall be used for tuition, books, school fees and/or other expenditures directly related to legitimate educational pursuits at the educational institution identified on this application.

Housing costs for students living away from home constitute appropriate direct expenses. Under no circumstances may the award be used for any purpose other than for tuition, books, school fees, or other directly related school requirements.

### TAX STATUS

The IRS may consider scholarships and other educational aid programs as taxable income. Please consult with your tax advisor.

## **EVIDENCE OF TRIBAL AFFILIATION**

Applicants must submit official evidence of tribal affiliation; original documents are not required. For enrolled applicants, most tribal enrollment cards or enrollment certificates contain sufficient information for verifying eligibility. For non-enrolled applicants, a parent's enrollment card or enrollment certificate should be submitted, along with evidence of residency. Examples of acceptable documentation for residency may include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- high school diploma from the high school for the related tribal/band service area
- letter from the tribe/band confirming the applicant's residency in the community or its service area
- legal documents or utility bills showing the applicant's name and address confirming residency, or
- documents which demonstrate why waiver from residency requirements should be granted for non-enrolled applicants (see Eligibility Flowchart for Scholarships on page 15)

Submission of false evidence of tribal affiliation or residency or for waiver of residency will be cause for the Trustees of the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation to utilize all means necessary to recover scholarship funds granted to non-eligible students, including initiating legal action for recovery.

## **CONFIDENTIALITY OF AWARDS**

Awards of scholarships under this program will be confidential. Reports from the program to individual eligible Western Shoshone Tribes, Bands or Committees will report the number of students from that Tribe/Band and total dollars awarded but will not identify individual students.

## **ACADEMIC YEAR**

The academic year is defined as September through August for purposes of this plan. Payment to students will be made for any semester or quarter to full-time students up to, but not exceeding, the amount of the scholarship awarded. For the purpose of this program, "full-time" shall be designated as 11 credit hours (unless the program/school in which the student is enrolled recognizes a different number of credits as full time in order for the student to avoid academic probation). Enrollment in graduate programs that may not allow/require a student to enroll in at least 11 credit hours to be full-time will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Students enrolled in vocational/other programs not using traditional credit hours must provide documentation verifying full time enrollment. Final decisions regarding assistance under the program will be under the sole authority of the Foundation Board of Trustees.

## **PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

Scholarship funds will be paid twice per academic year. The first term payment will be made at the beginning of the term upon receipt of a class registration schedule and receipt of grades from the previous term (or senior year of high school if a new student). The second payment for the academic year will be granted upon receipt of a class registration schedule for the next term and receipt of grades from the previous term. Payments will be made directly to the students.

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

Selection of students and the amount of money awarded to each student shall be based upon a number of factors including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

- cost to attend an institution, including tuition, fees, books and approved living expenses
- the nature of the institution, i.e. college/university versus community college, technical or vocational school
- total number of students applying for assistance, and
- amount of annual available funding

Applications will be required each year from students, including those preparing to enter post secondary education curriculum. Final decisions regarding assistance under the program will be under the sole authority of the Foundation Board of Trustees.

## **CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY**

If a scholarship participant has interrupted studies for a period in excess of one academic year, eligibility in the scholarship program will not be reestablished unless the student can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Selection Committee, acting in their sole discretion, that the student's interruption was due to hardship or other good cause and the student is committed to return to studies and complete them on an uninterrupted basis.

Students who are suspended by an educational institution for disciplinary or academic reasons shall forfeit further award payments. Those students may receive consideration for reinstatement based upon eligibility requirements of the scholarship plan in force at the time and the circumstances surrounding reentry granted to a student by the educational institution or entry into another institution.

## **CANCELLATION AND CHANGES IN THE PROGRAM**

The Foundation Board of Trustees reserve, at their sole discretion, the absolute right to cancel, supplement, or amend the scholarship program at any time, and to resolve any dispute in the management or execution of the program.



## BARRICK TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR WESTERN SHOSHONE ON-LINE COURSEWORK AT GREAT BASIN COLLEGE | PROGRAM GUIDELINES

### ELIGIBILITY

#### TO BE ELIGIBLE AN APPLICANT MUST BE A WESTERN SHOSHONE AND:

- Be a high school graduate (or GED equivalent) and
- Be enrolled in on-line courses at Great Basin College, and
- NOT be a recipient of the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation award, and
- Be EITHER a Western Shoshone descendant who is an enrolled member of one of the following Tribes or Bands:
  - Battle Mountain Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Duck Valley Shoshone-Paiute Tribe
  - Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
  - Elko Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Ely Shoshone Tribe
  - South Fork Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Wells Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
  - Yomba Shoshone Tribe

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**Residency Waiver Conditions:** The residency requirement for educational support from Barrick for a non-enrolled applicant with one parent who is an enrolled member of a partner community will be waived if the applicant has moved out of the reservation or service area of a partner community:

- to join the United States military service,
- to attend college, university or vocational school (so long as the applicant is still in school),
- to attend Indian Residential School,
- because the applicant was removed from his or her household by child welfare services, or
- because a caregiver/parent of the applicant died and the applicant went to live with another relative.

There are no age limits on eligibility; however, educational support from Barrick is provided to eligible Western Shoshone only for degree or certificate programs that promote career enhancement, increased potential for employment, or increased earning potential. This support will not be provided for the purpose of pursuing personal interests not associated with the applicant's current job or potential future jobs.

### TYPES OF INSTITUTIONS & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

This program applies only to on-line course work offered through Great Basin College. This support from Barrick will be applied to tuition costs and fees for on-line course work up to 12 credits per semester by supplying funding through the Bursar's office to be applied directly to eligible students' accounts.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

#### THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS SEEKING AN INITIAL TUITION SUPPORT AWARD:

- Application for Scholarship Funds – completed form
- Personal statement/education plan written by the applicant (not more than two typed, double-spaced pages) which includes the applicant's goals, objectives and reasons for pursuing a higher education and how further education will enable him/her to contribute to the welfare of his/her community.
- Copy of grades/transcript reflecting a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) from most recent term completed or high school diploma or final high school transcript for those who have not pursued post-high school education previously.
- Copy of registration for upcoming term
- Evidence of Eligible Tribal Enrollment or evidence of residency and parental enrollment (see Eligibility Flowchart on page 15)

#### THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY APPLICANTS SEEKING A CONTINUING TUITION SUPPORT AWARD:

- Application for Scholarship Funds – completed form
- Copy of grades/transcript reflecting a minimum 2.0 grade point average (GPA) from most recent term completed
- Copy of registration reflecting enrollment for upcoming term
- Updated Education Plan (not more than two typed, double-spaced pages), outlining how the applicant intends to achieve his/her educational objective (updates by continuing students are required once per year)
- Evidence of Tribal Affiliation or Residency/parental enrollment – only required if applicant's tribal affiliation/enrollment has changed since original application (photocopies are acceptable)



## ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

### ESTABLISHMENT

Support for on-line course work by Western Shoshone students was developed in 2014 at the request of the following tribal organizations:

- Battle Mountain Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
- Duck Valley Shoshone-Paiute Tribe
- Duckwater Shoshone Tribe
- Elko Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
- Ely Shoshone Tribe
- South Fork Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
- Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
- Wells Band of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone
- Yomba Shoshone Tribe

### PURPOSE AND AWARD AMOUNTS

The purpose of the Tuition Assistance Program is to provide financial assistance to eligible Western Shoshone students who are undertaking on-line coursework at Great Basin College. The funding covers tuition and fees for on-line course work up to 12 credits per semester per eligible student. Educational support from Barrick is provided to eligible Western Shoshone for progress towards a degree or certificate that will result in career enhancement, increased job effectiveness, increased potential for employment, or increased earning potential. This support will not be provided for the purpose of pursuing personal interests not associated with the applicant's current job or potential future jobs. The only exception to this criteria may be course work directly related to volunteer work that the applicant does for the benefit of the members his/her tribe or band.

### OBJECTIVE

The objective of this program is to provide assistance to an eligible student by partially covering the cost of on-line coursework at Great Basin College to enhance employment opportunities and career prospects.

### FUNDING

Barrick provides all funding for the Tuition Assistance Program.

### ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES

Funds awarded shall be remitted to the Great Basin College Bursar's office for application to tuition costs and fees for approved on-line classes. Books, supplies and other expenses will be the responsibility of the student.

### TAX STATUS

The IRS may consider tuition support and other educational aid programs as taxable income. Please consult with your tax advisor.

### EVIDENCE OF TRIBAL AFFILIATION

Applicants must submit written evidence of tribal affiliation; original documents are not required. For enrolled applicants, most tribal enrollment cards or enrollment certificates contain sufficient information for verifying eligibility. For non-enrolled applicants, a parent's enrollment card or enrollment certificate should be submitted, along with evidence of residency. Examples of acceptable documentation for residency include, but may not be limited to, the following:

- high school diploma from the high school for the related tribal/band service area or a letter from the tribe/band confirming the applicant's residency in the service area
- legal documents or utility bills showing the applicant's name and address confirming residency, or
- documents which demonstrate why waiver from residency requirements should be granted (see Residency Waiver conditions).

Submission of false evidence of tribal affiliation or residency or waiver of residency will be cause for the Barrick to utilize all means necessary to recover tuition support funds granted to non-eligible students, including initiating legal action for recovery.

### CONFIDENTIALITY OF AWARDS

Awards of tuition support under this program will be confidential. Reports from the program to individual participating Western Shoshone Tribes, Bands or Committees will report the number of students from that tribe/band and total dollars awarded but will not identify individual students.

### ACADEMIC YEAR

The academic year is defined as the Fall and Spring semesters as scheduled by Great Basin College.

### PAYMENT OF SUPPORT

Payment will be made to the Great Basin College Bursar's Office for application to eligible student accounts.

Payments will not exceed the tuition and fees for 12 credits of on-line courses per semester.



## SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection of students and the amount of money awarded to each student shall be based upon a number of factors including, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

- total number of students applying for tuition support; and
- amount of annual funding available

Applications will be required each semester from students, including those preparing to enter post-secondary education curriculum. Final decisions regarding assistance under the program will be under the sole authority of the Barrick.

## CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY

Continuing tuition support is contingent upon successful completion of coursework previously supported by Barrick. If funded course work is not completed, students are not eligible for additional funding until the course work is made up and completed or the prior award is refunded to Barrick.

If a student's GPA falls below 2.0, the student will be placed on probation and will have one semester to bring the GPA to meet requirements.

If a tuition support recipient has interrupted studies for a period in excess of one academic year, eligibility in the program will not be reestablished unless the student can demonstrate to the satisfaction of Barrick, acting in their sole discretion, that the student's interruption was due to hardship or other good cause and the student is committed to return to studies and complete them on an uninterrupted basis.

Students who are suspended by an educational institution for disciplinary or academic reasons shall forfeit further award payments.

## CANCELLATION AND CHANGES IN THE PROGRAM

Barrick reserves, at its sole discretion, the absolute right to cancel, supplement, or amend the tuition assistance program at any time, and to resolve any dispute in the management or execution of the program.



# BARRICK

## BARRICK "GOLD" SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WESTERN SHOSHONE | PROGRAM GUIDELINES

### PURPOSE

To encourage and support Western Shoshone community members from Barrick's partner communities to pursue and complete university/college educational programs in career fields in the mining industry and to join Barrick's operations as employees.

### ELIGIBILITY POOL

Current Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation (WSSF) award recipients who maintain eligibility for the WSSF awards for every semester/term for which the Barrick "Gold" Mining Scholarship is applied.

### SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT

- \$1500 per term/semester up to 2 times per year until degree granted (in addition to the WSSF scholarship).
- Paid summer internship at Barrick mining operation in Nevada between sophomore/junior year and between junior/senior year.
- High potential for job offer following granting of degree in mining related major.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Minimum GPA 2.5 or the minimum set by the educational institution if a GPA higher than 2.5 must be maintained
- Full time student status
- Sophomore, Junior or Senior status as an undergraduate, or MSc or PhD program
- Majoring in one of the following degree fields:
  - Chemical Engineering
  - Civil Engineering
  - Environmental Engineering or Environmental Science
  - Geological Engineering
  - Geology
  - Geophysical Engineering
  - Geotechnical Engineering
  - Metallurgical Engineering
  - Mineral Processing
  - Mining Engineering
  - Wildlife Ecology/Conservation

Must be willing to work paid summer internship jobs at Barrick mines every summer that follows a semester that was funded with a scholarship (except semester preceding graduation)

- Must be diligently pursuing degree in the declared major with full time status and be able to provide course curriculum verification from school.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Complete application for and be awarded scholarship from the Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation
- Provide course curriculum / program of study verification from school

# FALL 2017 APPLICATION DEADLINE IS

# MONDAY, JUNE 26TH

**SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION BY THE DEADLINE,  
EVEN IF YOU DO NOT YET HAVE ALL OF THE  
REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

## **Timeline for Fall application review process:**

- **MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017 – APPLICATION DEADLINE!!**
- **Wednesday, July 19, 2017 – Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation  
Selection Committee meeting**
  - **Applicants are reviewed for recommendations to be presented to the  
Board of Directors**
- **Wednesday, July 26, 2017 – Western Shoshone Scholarship Foundation  
Board of Directors meeting**
  - **Recommendations from Selection Committee are reviewed for  
approval**
- **Wednesday, August 2, 2017 – Applicants notified of their award status**