

# CONFEDERATED TRIBES of the CHEHALIS RESERVATION

Resolution No. 2025-027

#### Of the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation

**RE:** Approval of "New" Youth Services Cost Assistance Policy, replacing resolution 2018-030 "Approval of Youth Activities Cost Assistance Policy"

**Whereas:** The Business Committee of the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation is the duly constituted governing body of the Chehalis Tribe, in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws adopted by voting members of the Tribe and approved by the Commissioners of Indian Affairs; and

**Whereas:** The Business Committee is responsible for protecting and enhancing the social, health, educational and economic well-being of Tribal Members; and

Whereas: The Chehalis Tribe approves the Youth Services Cost Assistance Policy to include K-12, Graduating cost, and The Chehalis Tribe does have a Youth Services Cost Assistance Policy in place to manage the limited financial assistance offered through the Youth Activities program to encourage Tribal youth participation in activities that promote a healthy and active lifestyle; and meet educational needs for graduation.

**Now Therefore Let It Be Resolved:** That the Business Committee of the Chehalis Tribe does hereby approve the Youth Services Cost Assistance Policy.

Certification: This Resolution, Number 2025-2, was duly considered and approved at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Chehalis Business Committee held on 2025 at which a quorum was present. The vote being 4 For, 6 Against, with 6 Abstentions and with the Chairman not voting.

Signed

Dustin Klatush Chairman Attested:

Cheryle Starr Secretary



Effective Date:	
Approved by Resolution #:	

### Introduction

This policy outlines the monetary assistance available for costs to participate in youth activities for Tribal Member youth, K-12 Education to promote education and learning for Chehalis Tribal youth and High School Graduation assistance. The policy covers any requirements of eligibility, specific funding allowances, processes and responsibilities of the department staff, and other helpful resources.

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## Purpose

The Chehalis Tribal Youth Activities Cost Assistance Policy is to offer limited financial assistance through a reimbursement of costs for participation in activities to promote healthy and active lifestyles, support K-12 educational needs and assistance for High School Graduates for enrolled Chehalis Tribal Youth.

#### Scope

This policy is meant to provide assistance and is not considered to be full coverage of all costs. The parent or guardian of the Tribal Member youth is responsible for any costs not covered by this policy. Allowable assistance to be covered includes expenses incurred for participation in sports, tournaments, camps, driver's education, K-12 education cost expenses, and high school graduation costs. The requestor's child must be registered and/or enrolled in a league, school activity, school, camp, sports clinic or any other activity participation that can be demonstrated on a form or flyer.

## **Funding**

Availability of funds may vary from year to year depending on monies appropriated by the Business Committee.

The existence of the Youth Activities Reimbursement program does not constitute an entitlement of funds.

## Request Process & Responsibilities

The Community Center Admin Assistant or designee is the contact for assistance with any eligible allowances for the Tribal Member youth. The assigned contact will assist the parent and/or guardian (requestor) through the process of securing the funding allowance, submitting appropriate receipts and paperwork, and ensuring the check requests for expenses are submitted to the Chehalis Tribal Accounting Department.

The Community Center Admin Assistant or designee will be responsible for the following:

- Collect information needed to determine eligibility
- Submit the necessary requisition to request a check or direct deposit for payment
- Detail requestor's contact information for either direct deposit, check pickup at accounting or to mail the check
- Manage the submission of expenses to ensure the allowance amount is not exceeded

The parent and/or guardian requestor will be responsible for the following:

- Complete the Youth Activities Cost Assistance application
- Turn in all necessary paperwork to support the approval of the application (original receipts/paperwork within 90 days of date printed on the receipts)
- Requestor is responsible to make copies for personal records

#### Youth Activities Cost Assistance Allowances

Youth Activities Cost Assistance may be granted for Chehalis Tribal Member youth to assist with costs related to participation in sports. Any combination of sports cost assistance  $\underline{cannot\ exceed\ $1,500}$  in a calendar year per a Chehalis Tribal Member minor.

Any fee required by an entity in order for youth to enroll in an activity may be covered under this policy.

The following table provides eligibility of cost assistance for other items that may be necessary for youth to participate in activity.

Cost assistance for participation in any other sport activity not accounted for in the table or this policy may be reviewed and approved by the Community and Culture Director only.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COST ASSISTANCE											
	FOOTBALL 🚳	BASKETBALL 🛞	VOLLEYBALL 🛞	SOCCER 🐯	BASEBALL (3) SOFTBALL (8)	WRESTLING 🙈	TRACK & FIELD OCCROSS COUNTRY	DANCE A	SWIMMING	GYMNASTICS 🛣	GOLF &
	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit	Qty / Limit				
Compression Items	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Shoes (Pre-K)	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	N/A	\$100	\$100
Shoes (K-5th)	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	N/A	\$150	\$150
Shoes (6th-12th)	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$250	N/A	\$250	\$250
Pair(s) of Socks	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	N/A	6	6
Water Bottle	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sports Bag	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sports Ball	1	1	1	1	24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	48
Shirts	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	N/A	2	2
Pants/Sweats	2	2	2	2	2	N/A	2	2	2	2	2
Undergarments	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Uniform/Swimsuit	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1
Shorts	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	2
Glove	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
Protection Gear	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Bat (Pre-K)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$100	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Bat (K-12th)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$200	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Golf Clubs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$200

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Reimbursement requests must be submitted to the Community Center Admin Assistant or designee within <u>90 days of the date printed on receipts</u> and/or paperwork in order to qualify for reimbursement under this policy. All receipts must be turned in <u>no later than January 15<sup>th</sup></u> of each year for prior years <u>last 3 months</u> (October, November & December) expenditures to stay within the cost reimbursement limit to count towards the that years assistance.

## Youth Team Tournaments and Overnight Stays

Tribal Member youth participation in a tournament, sports competition, matches, may be eligible for cost assistance under this policy.

Team Tournament costs include: entry fee, gas, food and lodging. The costs covered under this policy for <u>individual teams</u> other than youth center program, cannot exceed \$800 per tournament. In order to be eligible for this assistance, the team must be made up of Chehalis Tribal Member youth and/or community member youth. Teams consist of Basketball: 5 players (3), Baseball: 9 players(5), Softball: 10 players(6), Volleyball: 6 players(4). \*() majority count.

Individual/Family Chehalis Tribal member youth are eligible for travel costs for overnight stays for entry fees, gas, food and lodging in the amount of \$200 per night or not to exceed \$800 per travel for 2 or more days. For youth participation in a tournament, sports competition, team matches, state, this allowance is allowed up to \$1600. Total per year.

Costs incurred under tournament and overnight stays will not count toward the \$1,500 allowance per Tribal Member youth. All costs covered under youth tournaments and overnight stays are <u>reimbursement</u> only. This does not apply to Youth Center teams traveling to tournaments with youth center staff.

#### **Drivers Education**

Driver's education is an allowable assistance cost under this policy as self-transport helps to ensure a Tribal Member youth's successful participation in extracurricular activities.

A maximum allowable cost assistance toward driver's education <u>cannot exceed \$500</u> per Chehalis Tribal youth. This is a once in a lifetime cost assistance. The costs covered for driver's education will not count toward the maximum \$1,500 allowance per a Tribal Member youth.

## Arrangements for Check to Requestor

Allow for up to two weeks for the Chehalis Tribal Accounting office to process check requests submitted by the Community Center Admin Assistant. Contact information provided by the Community Center Admin Assistant will be used to contact the requestor for check pickup at the Chehalis Tribal Accounting office, direct deposit or to mail the check.

## Paperwork Requirements

The requester must complete an application and submit original receipts and any other relevant paperwork to receive cost assistance for the activity. The requestor must demonstrate enrollment in a league, camp, sports clinic, and so forth through a flier and/or registration form.

A team roster must be provided to receive reimbursement of costs for youth tournaments in order to demonstrate a majority of Chehalis Tribal Member youth involvement of the team.

#### K-12 Cost Assistance

The Chehalis Tribal K-12 Education Program provides cost assistance to programs and activities (including music lessons, shop, construction, club fees, photography, shop & ASB cards) and private K-12 school tuition reimbursement that promote education and learning for Chehalis Tribal youth. K-12 can reimburse special needs supplies for school. K-12 can reimburse costs for supplies for educational needs such as laptop, computer, headphones, photography, ect.

Any combination of educational cost assistance <u>cannot exceed \$2,000</u> in a calendar year per Chehalis Tribal Member minor.

## High School Graduation Cost Assistance

The Chehalis Tribal K-12 Education Program provides cost assistance to graduating High School Seniors. Please contact K-12 Education Program for eligibility of this cost assistance. Any combination of graduation costs of

- Cap & Gown
- Announcements
- Invitations
- Pictures
- Ring/Jewelry
- Letterman jackets
- Graduation apparel

Any combination of Graduation cost assistance <u>cannot exceed \$2000.00</u> in a calendar school year per Chehalis Tribal Member minor (exceptions will be made for 18+ years enrolled in High School or equivalent.)

Costs incurred under High School Graduation will not count toward the \$2,000 allowance per Tribal Member youth.