

BIA Internet Access Reimbursement Program Guidelines

Maximum Award: \$100/month will be reimbursed per household

(July 1, 2023-September 30, 2024 or until funds are depleted)

Description: Assistance is available for the reimbursement of the cost of internet access for students in grades K-12. **This grant is awarded per household, not per student.**

Monthly bills must be paid in full or reimbursement will not be allowed.

Required Information (check off as each is obtained):

- Completed BIA Internet Access Reimbursement Application
- Copy of current report card for each student in the household
- Proof of Charge: Copy of the entire bill showing internet fees per month (not just the 1st page)
- Proof of Dates of Service (month of internet service)
- Proof of Payment: Receipt for the payment of current internet fees

Fees not covered: surcharges, late fees, reconnection fees

*You only have to submit the completed application once. After that, you may just send your bills, proof of payment and most current report cards to: SCR@ho-chunk.com



Ho-Chunk Nation Education Department
School Community Relations Division

REMOTE LEARNING INTERNET ACCESS SUPPORT PROGRAM REIMBURSEMENT APPLICATION

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Grant Funded Program

**ALL INFORMATION IS REQUIRED* APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE AT LEAST ONE TELEPHONE NUMBER*

Request Information		
Parent/Guardian Full Name: _____ Date of Application: _____		
Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____		
County: _____		
E-Mail: _____ Telephone: _____		
Grant Title	Reimbursement	Amount of Request (up to \$100.00/month)
Remote Learning Internet Access Support		

Total amount of Request: \$

Household Information (All members)					
Name	Date of Birth	School Information		Tribal Enrollment #	Grade
		School District	School Name		

SUBMIT ALL APPLICATIONS TO: HO-CHUNK NATION SCR DIVISION, P.O. BOX 667 BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615

PHONE: (715) 284-4915 OR (800) 362-4476 FAX: (715) 284-1760 EMAIL: SCR@HO-CHUNK.COM

Reimbursement Information (If payment will be made to someone besides bill holder)

Name _____
Address _____
City, State Zip _____
Account # _____

Certification Statement and Information Release

I, _____ (*print name*) declare that the information provided by me on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and that if granted assistance I will use the funding only for educational purposes. I understand this service is provided due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in response to remote learning requirements. I understand that SCR staff may verify my student's utilization of these internet services in doing assigned homework and staying in contact with his/her teachers. If the internet is not being utilized for these purposes, I will be denied services. I understand that I will be requested to repay, through legal means, all or a portion of the assistance granted if the funds are not used for the state purpose. I give my permission for all information on this form to be shared between the Ho-Chunk Nation, my State of Residence and any other pertinent agency or organization. I also give the Ho-Chunk Nation Education Department and its staff, permission to contact any or all school officials, persons or other individuals regarding this request for the purpose of gathering information to determine grant status, approval and program compliance. If the circumstances surrounding this application change, including the amount of funding eligibility, I will immediately inform the Ho-Chunk Nation School Community Relations Division.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Program Compliance and Appeal Acknowledgement

I, _____ (*print name*) understand that the BIA Internet Access Support Program is a supplemental funding program. I also understand that as a parent/guardian, I maintain sole responsibility for meeting my child's entire educational funding needs. I further understand that all applications are subject to approval and funding availability. I also understand that funding for this program is limited and therefore is awarded on a first come, first served basis. Incomplete applications will not be considered and I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure that I complete and provide all requested information. I also understand that applications that are incomplete or are missing some or all of the requested information will not be processed until all the information is submitted by me to the Department of Education staff. I understand that I will be notified by letter, email or telephone of any missing or insufficient information that is required in order for my application to be processed. The Ho-Chunk Nation is not responsible for application completion, information gathering, vendor contacts or any other parent/guardian/applicant responsibilities with regard to the application for grant benefits.

I further understand that in the event that I have complied with all Program Guidelines and deadlines and I submitted all requested information and I my application is denied for reasons other than non-compliance or a lack of funding, I may appeal that decision and that I must do so in writing, through certified mail at each level to the follow staff members within the prescribed timeframe. Within 5 business days of the receipt of a decision I must contact the Division Manager with my appeal. The Division Manager has 5 Business days to send a respond to my appeal. If I do not receive a response within 7 business days from the date my grievance was received by the Division Manager I may file my appeal with the Executive Director of Education. The Executive Director of Education will respond to my appeal within 10 business days IF it is the decision of the Executive Director of Education to overturn my denial. I understand that the Executive Director of Education has the final authority in the decision process and if I do not receive a response within 12 business days from the date my appeal was received by the Executive Director of Education, I must accept that my appeal was not granted. If I discuss my appeal in a public, political or external forum I grant the Education Department staff the right to discuss my case in that same forum. I understand that filing an appeal will not negatively impact my right to apply for future benefits through this Program and will not be held against any future applications that I make.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Applications submitted without both signatures will be returned as incomplete. These statements must be read, signed and dated.

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