

Leech Lake Tribal College

Sandstrom's Forest Ecology Scholarship

Purpose: To provide a scholarship for a deserving Leech Lake Tribal College student(s) enrolled in the Indigenous Science emphasis in Forest Ecology Program. The Sandstrom Family and Sandstrom's has had a long and wonderful relationship with the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, not only through our distributing company but personal relationships as well. We also have a common interest and that is to keep Northern Minnesota lands, forests and waters as natural and pristine as possible with proper management. The Sandstrom Family has long supported and been involved in many conservation and wildlife organizations. With these common goals we are proud to offer these scholarships to the LLTC Forest-Ecology Program. We hope these scholarships will help the students that receive them go on to a science based career that will not only be rewarding to them, but rewarding to the generations to come. Congratulations to the winning students and good luck along your path.

Award Components: Two (2) **\$1,000** scholarship will be awarded to a current LLTC student who will be returning as a full time Indigenous Science students, with an emphasis in Forest Ecology, at LLTC for the Fall 2023 semester.

Indigenous Science Associate of Arts Degree, with an emphasis in Forest Ecology

Indigenous Science emphasis in Forest Ecology Program is a two-year course of study designed for students to receive an Associate in Art Degree (A.A.) upon completion of the requirements. Gikenimindwaa Mitigoog translates to 'getting to know the trees,' an apt description for a program which provides graduates with broad-based field knowledge of forest lands, the organisms inhabiting them and the systems (soil, water, air) that support them. Student's complete coursework designed to develop an understanding of natural systems, examine human impacts and interactions, and practice relevant field and technical skills. The Indigenous Science emphasis in Forest Ecology program is intended for students with an interest in plant communities, water, forestry, wildlife, and fisheries and/or recreation management.

DEADLINE for applications is Friday, May 5th, by 4:00 PM

Recipient of this scholarship will be announced at graduation, in news publications, and/or on social media platforms. **NOTE:** Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student for the Fall 2023 semester upon evidence of enrollment at the Leech Lake Tribal College and satisfactory academic standing.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student at the Leech Lake Tribal College for the upcoming Fall 2023 semester.
2. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or Higher.
3. Applicant must be currently enrolled in or have a demonstrated interest in the LLTC, Forest Ecology program.

Additional Preferred Criteria (not required):

4. Additional consideration will be given to a student that demonstrates both the potential and desire to start a career in the Forest Ecology field.

In the event that the above criteria cannot be met, a student may be selected that most closely fits the above criteria.

Application Process: Applicant must submit the following items:

1. **Completed application form** (if handwritten, please print legibly)

Submit the completed application to Student Services by email or call 218-335-4220 for arrangements.

Deadline for the application is **Friday, May 5th, by 4:00 PM**. No late applications will be accepted!

The Leech Lake Tribal College

Sandstrom's Forest Ecology Scholarship Application

Please type or print your answers. If application is illegible it will be returned to you.			
1.	<table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;">Last Name: _____</td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;">First Name: _____</td> </tr> </table>	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
Last Name: _____	First Name: _____		
2.	Mailing Address:: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____		
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: ()		
4.	I will be attending Leech Lake Tribal College Fall 2023: Yes: _____ No: _____ Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment from the above school is required prior to receipt of funds.		
5.	Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent official school transcript required		
6.	Name and City of High Schools attended:		
7.	Please list the Indigenous Science and Forest Ecology courses that you have taken in college.		
8.	Do you plan to transfer and attend a four year school after graduating from Leech Lake Tribal College?		
9.	What Specialty/Major do you plan to major in as you continue your education?		

10.	What are your educational and professional goals and objectives?
11.	List your academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school or college:
12.	List your community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities:

13.	<p>Personal Essay</p> <p>Please answer the following questions:</p> <p><i>Why are you a deserving recipient of the Sandstrom’s Forest Ecology Scholarship? Discuss the importance of having knowledgeable, skilled people grounded in Anishinaabe values in the local workforce and how your career plans and aspirations will benefit our communities, our homelands, and our forests. Why is Forest Ecology important to you?</i></p> <p>Submit your response as a separate document that has been typed and double spaced. Minimum 2 paragraphs.</p>
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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Leech Lake Tribal College.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, I must provide proof of enrollment/registration at the Leech Lake Tribal College for the Fall 2023 semester before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Furthermore, if selected as a recipient of this scholarship, I agree to submit 2 thank you letters per year (one per semester) to the donor(s) of this scholarship.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: _____ Date: _____

REMEMBER

The deadline for this application to be received by the Student Service’s team is:
Friday, May 5th, by 4:00 PM