

Gabriel Palmer (Ignace) Memorial Bursary

A scholarship/bursary has been established by the Ron Ignace Family in memory of their son Gabriel Palmer (Ignace).

The selection of the award recipient will be based on a combination of factors. Guidelines and criteria for receiving the Gabriel Palmer (Ignace) Scholarship/Bursary Award are as follows:

- Applicants must be of Aboriginal ancestry.
- Applicants must demonstrate an appreciation for Aboriginal culture and language; by showing that they regularly participate in Aboriginal events and celebrations **or** by writing a one-page essay on “What role Aboriginal culture has played in my life”.
- Applicants must have a minimum Grade Point Average of 2.5.
- Applicants must demonstrate a financial need for the scholarship/bursary assistance.
- Applicants must demonstrate that they have been involved in school and/or community service by describing the types of activities that they have helped with or participated in.

The amount of the award for 2023 is approximately \$500. The award will be presented at School District 73 (Kamloops-Thompson) Aboriginal Graduation Ceremony.

NOTE: The funds in this award will be credited directly to your postsecondary institution, once you have been accepted into your Program and show proof of registration in your course.

Application Deadline: 1st Friday in May

The attached application form must be completed along with other required information listed in the guidelines above.

APPLICATION FORM
Gabriel Palmer (Ignace) Memorial Bursary
Eligibility: Graduating Grade 12 Students of Aboriginal
Ancestry

Name: _____ School: _____

Male: _____ Female: _____ Home Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Postal Code _____

Aboriginal Ancestry

Do you self-identify as Aboriginal? Yes _____ No _____ Nation/Band: _____

(Check One) Status: _____ Non-Status: _____ Metis: _____ Inuit: _____

Postsecondary Acceptance

Grade 12 Transcript Attached: Yes: _____ No: _____ **(Must be attached for scholarship consideration)**

What College/University/Technical School have you applied to? _____

What Program of Studies will you be pursuing? _____

Proof of Acceptance to a Postsecondary Institution Attached: Yes: _____ No: _____

(Must include proof of acceptance for scholarship consideration)

School or Community Activities and Involvement

Please describe any school and/or community activities that you have been involved in as a participant or a volunteer. _____

Financial Need

Please describe how this award will help you financially with your education: _____

Essay: Please submit a 1-2 page essay on the following topic:

“What role has my Aboriginal culture/language played in my life.”

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Please submit your completed application to the Aboriginal Education Council:

Administrative Assistant
Aboriginal Education Council
225-345 Chief Alex Thomas Way
Kamloops, BC V2H 1H1
scollins@sd73.bc.ca

The award selection will be made by the family of Gabriel Palmer (Ignace).