



## College Resource Center Undergraduate Scholarship Program School Year 2025-2026

Apply online at <https://gadugiportal.cherokee.org/>

The Cherokee Nation College Resource Center provides scholarships and services for full-time and part-time undergraduate college students. Students must be a registered Cherokee Nation citizen, verified by the Registration Department. The scholarships are intended to supplement educational needs for those pursuing a degree from an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution determined by the Directory of Higher Education. The following scholarship opportunity is available:

### Undergraduate Scholarship

Scholarship program for Cherokee Nation citizens living anywhere in the United States working toward their first Associates or Bachelor's degree. Proprietary (for-profit) institutions are not eligible under this scholarship. All Undergraduate applicants must apply for federal financial aid at <https://studentaid.gov> prior to applying for a Cherokee Nation scholarship. Students whose permanent address is outside the Cherokee Nation Reservation area or contiguous counties must be eligible for the federal Pell grant to be eligible for the Cherokee Nation Undergraduate scholarship. The contiguous area (outlined gray area on map) is more clearly defined as those counties located in the following states:

Oklahoma:

LeFlore, Haskell, Pittsburg, McIntosh, Muskogee, Wagoner, Tulsa and Osage Counties.

Arkansas:

Benton, Crawford, Sebastian and Washington Counties.

Kansas:

Chautauqua, Cherokee, Labette and Montgomery Counties.

Missouri:

McDonald County.

The scholarship funds are determined by full-time or part-time status. Recipients must maintain a 2.0 GPA and fulfill community service requirements. Students must also complete and pass a minimum number of credit hours per semester in order to remain eligible for the scholarship. Online classes are eligible.

Application period for Academic Year 2025/2026: March 4 – June 16, 2025  
Renewal application period for Spring 2026: October 1 - January 15, 2026 (tentative)  
Application Website: <https://gadugiportal.cherokee.org/>

Students must follow guidelines each semester. No late applications will be accepted. Applicants must prepare the following documents as PDF files to upload to the online scholarship application:

### NEW STUDENTS

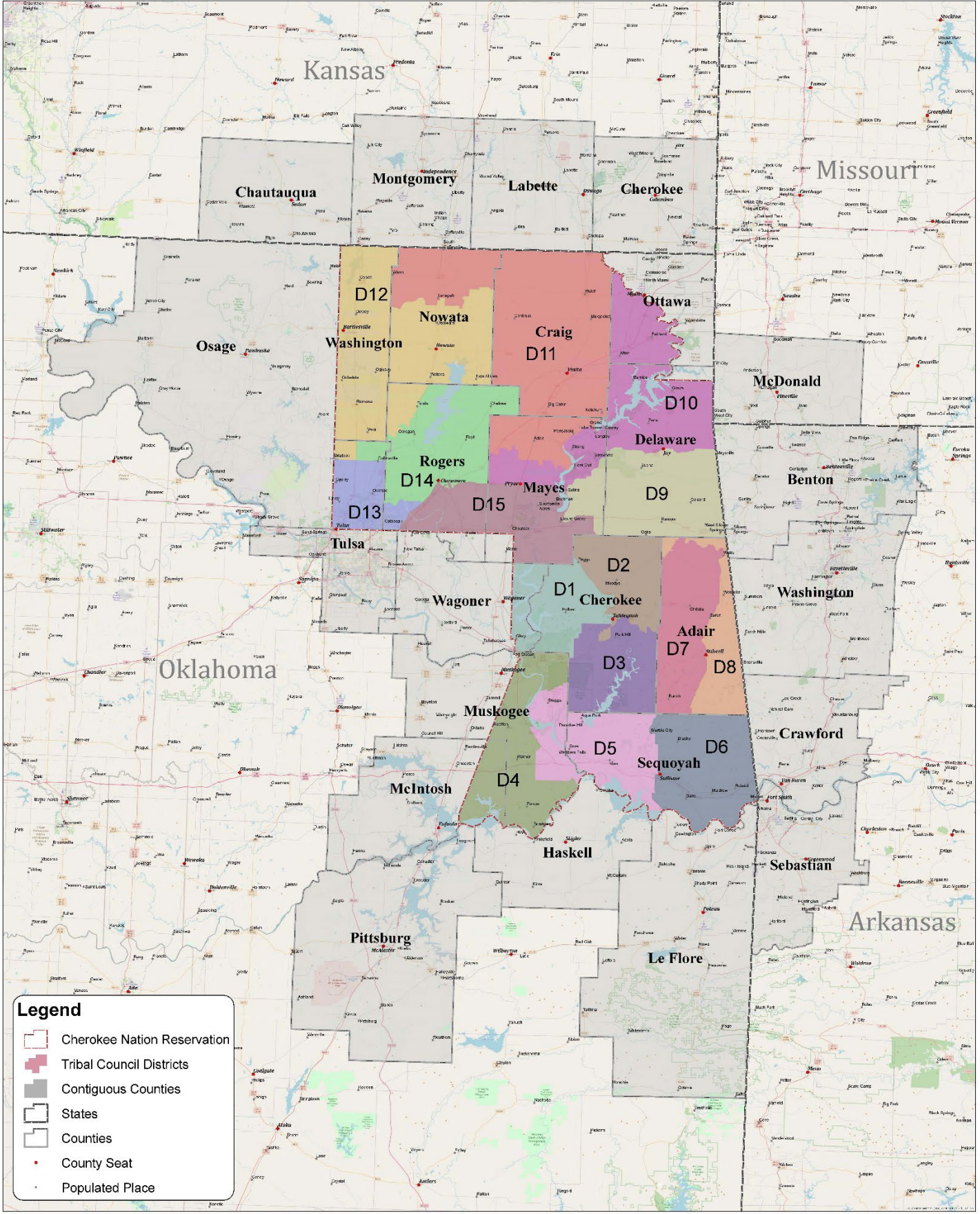
- **2025-2026 FAFSA Submission Summary**
- **Most Recent Transcript** – Copy of GED, High School transcript, or copy of college transcript (can be unofficial)

### CONTINUING STUDENTS (Students funded Fall 2024 on the CN Undergraduate Scholarship Program)

- **2025-2026 FAFSA Submission Summary**
- **College Transcript** – Spring 2025 grades need to be posted (official or unofficial)
- **Spring 2025 Self Help Form**

For more information, call (800) 256-0671 ext. 5465, email [collegeresources@cherokee.org](mailto:collegeresources@cherokee.org) or visit [www.cherokee.org/Service/Education/College-Resources](http://www.cherokee.org/Service/Education/College-Resources)

*Residency restrictions may apply. Community service hours apply. All scholarships are subject to the availability of funding.*



**Legend**

- Cherokee Nation Reservation
- Tribal Council Districts
- Contiguous Counties
- States
- Counties
- County Seat
- Populated Place

