



## High School Dual Credit Scholarship Program

### Program Description

The Ahtna Heritage Foundation (TAHF) was created to assist Ahtna shareholders in meeting their educational goals. The High School Dual Credit Scholarship Program, funds Ahtna shareholders who are taking college courses while attending high school full time. Funding for the High School Dual Credit Scholarship Program is generously provided by Ahtna Incorporated and other donors.

TAHF may fund up to 20 students per semester at the following levels:

### Dual Credit Course Tuition

- \$500.00 per semester

### Eligibility

The following requirements must be met to be eligible for the Scholarship program:

- Complete and signed application received throughout the school year on a first come first served basis.
- Ahtna shareholder (Original or L Stock)
- Accepted into dual credit course at an accredited college, university or vocational school, or accepted in a program specializing in a recognized area of study
- Official proof of registration in the courses according to the institution policies
- Official transcripts
- 3.00 GPA as a high school or college student, If a continuing student, must have maintained a 3.00 GPA and completed all classes in which I have enrolled during the semester
- One page essay describing your future and educational goals
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Have permission from a parent or guardian

### Application Process

All applicants must reapply each semester.

New applicants will complete the new applicant scholarship form.

Renewal applicants will complete the renewal applicant scholarship form.

Awards are disbursed to the institutions only, not directly to the student.

Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA per semester funded. Cumulative GPA is only to be used for new applicants. If the 3.0 GPA is not met the applicant is denied. An applicant that is denied for not adhering to the 3.0 GPA must pay for a semester by means of their own and maintain a 3.0 GPA in that semester to be eligible for the HSDCS.

### Appeal Process

Applicant can appeal a denial by sending a letter to the Executive Director within 14 days of the date of the denial letter. This can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the address on the application. The Executive Director will forward appeals to the scholarship committee with recommendations. Decision from the scholarship committee will be Final.

## High School Dual Credit Scholarship Application

Applicant Information			
Name: Last:		First:	
MI:			
Mailing address:			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
Phone:	Email:	Maiden Name:	
Semester/Student Status			
<input type="checkbox"/> Spring <input type="checkbox"/> Fall		Number of Credits _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> New Applicant	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Applicant	Grade:	
Ahtna Status			
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled Shareholder <input type="checkbox"/> Class L Stock			
Your Ahtna or Village Affiliation			
<input type="checkbox"/> Cantwell	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheesh'na	<input type="checkbox"/> Chitina	<input type="checkbox"/> Kluti Kaah
<input type="checkbox"/> Gakona	<input type="checkbox"/> Gulkana	<input type="checkbox"/> Mentasta	<input type="checkbox"/> Tazlina
<input type="checkbox"/> At-Large			
School Information			
School Name:			
Student ID # (needed for check process):		Main Phone:	Financial Phone:
Financial Aid Office Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
MAJOR: 1 <sup>st</sup>	2nd		
MINOR: 1 <sup>st</sup>	2nd		
What other financial aid have you applied for?			
<b>List any school, community, volunteer, and/or cultural activities, awards, honor societies, and/or leadership, which you were involved.</b>			
<b>List any additional information or special circumstances you want the TAHF Scholarship Committee to consider. Please attach an additional sheet if needed.</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE- please check this box if you are male over the age of 18 and have registered for the selective service.			

## Scholarship Conditions and Signature

By my signature below, I hereby certify that the information provided in this initial or renewed form is, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct, and that I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could jeopardize consideration of my application; and by submitting this application I give Ahtna Heritage Foundation permission to verify any and all information in this application.

I understand that in order for my scholarship to be approved I must have maintained at least a 3.00 GPA during high school, or if a continuing student, I must have maintained at least a 3.00 GPA per funded semester, **and completed all the classes in which I have enrolled during last semester.**

I understand that the Ahtna Heritage Foundation Scholarship Committee will consider exceptions to the two above conditions (low GPA or incomplete classes) only in rare cases of extreme personal hardship during the last semester, including but not limited to, death in your close family, personal illness, and other personal hardship; and that a detailed letter of explanation and appropriate documents is required.

I understand my application and signature must be postmarked by the deadline. If my application is received after the Fall or Spring semester deadline, it will not be approved. I also understand that there is no exception to the deadline except in rare cases of extreme personal hardship during the last semester, including but not limited to, death in your close family, personal illness, and other personal hardship; and that a detailed letter of explanation and appropriate documents is required.

I authorize Ahtna Heritage Foundation and Ahtna Inc. to release my name in connection with any public announcement of scholarship award. I also authorize Ahtna Heritage Foundation to share my information to Ahtna Inc. Subsidiaries for future intern or job placement.

I understand that the scholarship, if awarded, will be paid directly to the institute, college, university, or program at which I am enrolled and registered.

I have read and understood the above statements and will abide by the conditions of the award, if approved.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ PRINTED NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ PRINTED NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature required only if student is less than 18 years of age