

Youth Fellowship Funds Policy and Procedures

These funds are received from the General Council Welfare Fund and are intended to help students with the burden of buying school clothing. Students must be enrolled tribal member(s) of the Seneca Cayuga Nation. These funds are for students who are enrolled in public or private schools from Pre-K – 12th grade (age 4 & up) and qualified home school students. A complete Youth School Clothing Application is required before funds are issued. A completed application consists of:

- **Application** (filled out with correct information).
 - Must be physically signed or accepted verified electronic security signature must be provided.
- **Copy of the student's tribal enrollment card**
 - Legal name must match on all documents
- **Copy of parent/legal guardian tribal enrollment card** (if the parent is not tribal, a state-issued ID will suffice).
 - Legal names must match on all documents. If legal name has changed the SCN tribal ID will need to be updated before a name change can occur with the accounting department.
- **Proof of enrollment** (School Enrollment Verification Form, must be completed by the school official, available on our website).
 - Proof of enrollment for the previous school year will not be accepted as proof of enrollment for the upcoming school year.
 - In lieu of the School Enrollment Verification form, a signed and dated letter from the school on letterhead stating the student's name, date of birth, current enrolled grade, and student's address and legal guardian's name whom they reside with.
 - No student portal screenshots will be accepted.
 - Children enrolled in a Pre-K program through daycare/learning center will not be accepted. To be eligible for Youth School Clothing under the Head Start category/Qualified Home School Program the child must be currently enrolled in a federally funded Head Start program.
 - Homeschool/Online students must provide proof of purchase of curriculum or proof of enrollment in program.
 - Verification of enrollment must be provided prior to approval. If your child meets this criteria please provide proof of enrollment documents for our office to review.
 - Tribal members must be 4 years old at time of application.
- **Proof of legal guardianship** (if the school letter does not indicate with whom the child resides).

Other requirements may be needed for the full process of applications, such as but not limited to Custody Agreements, proof of adoption & ECT. All applications must be completed by November 1, 2026, or will not be funded.