



National Johnson-O'Malley Association Chief Ellis \$2,500 Scholarship

Chief A .D. Ellis was elected as the Principal Chief of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to a second four-year term on November 3, 2007. He served as Second Chief from January 2000 to December 31, 2004. Prior to that, he served four consecutive two-year terms as a National Council Representative from the Okmulgee District.

August 2007, he was appointed to serve a three-year term on the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission by Governor Brad Henry. Another special recognition he received was a personal invitation from President George W. Bush, to visit the White House, for a second time.

Chief Ellis was born in Pawnee, Oklahoma to Doolie Ellis and Nellie Bruner Ellis of Concharty, Twin Hills Community. He graduated from Twin Hills in 1953, then attended Tulsa Business College, later enlisted in the United States Air Force and then the Oklahoma National Guard. He retired from the International Teamsters Union in 1989 with thirty-five (35) years of service.

He married the former Gail Billings of Morris, Oklahoma. He and his family reside at this lifelong home on his mother's original allotment on Bixby Road. He and Gail have five (5) daughters and five (5) sons residing throughout the United States. The Principal Chief Ellis is of the Turtle Clan, his tribal town is Locvpoka, and his church is Concharty Indian Methodist Church.

Chief Ellis has been one of the driving forces in the fight to maintain the JOM programs on a national level. He has assisted the National JOM Association in speaking to Congress and urging Tribal Leaders throughout the Nation to take up the fight for their children's future.



Chief Ellis Scholarship Criteria and Application

The National Johnson-O'Malley Association is honored to sponsor the Chief Ellis Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 to a deserving student. This scholarship is given to honor the work of Chief A.D. Ellis not only for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation but for his work in securing JOM funds on a national level for JOM programs throughout the Nation. The scholarship will be announced at the Annual NJOMA Conference in Phoenix, Arizona

Criteria

1. Must be a member of a federally recognized tribe (copy of CIB or tribal citizenship card)
2. Chief Ellis Scholarship application completed and submitted by deadline.
3. A one page types personal statement on your goals and career choice with an emphasis on how the JOM program effected your school achievements.
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. If you are a **2010 graduating high senior** you must complete the following:
 - a. Submit a copy of your high school transcripts
 - b. If selected, you must submit your admission letter before scholarship is released
 - c. One of your letters of recommendation must be from your current high school staff
 - d. Planning to attend a two or four year college or university
6. If you are a **current college student**, you must complete the following:
 - a. Submit a copy of your college transcripts
 - b. You must have maintained a grade point average of 2.75 or higher for the past semester
 - c. Must currently be attending a two or four year college or university

National Johnson-O'Malley Association
Chief A. D. Ellis Scholarship Application

Name: (last) _____ (first) _____ DOB _____

Social Security Number: _____ Gender: ___ Male ___ Female

Current Mailing Address: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number _____ cell number _____

Email Address _____

Tribal Affiliation: _____

Student Status: (check one) ___ high school senior ___ college student

Check list:

<u>High School Student</u>	<u>or</u>	<u>College Student</u>
___ Copy of CIB or Tribal Citizenship card		___ Copy of CIB or Tribal Citizenship card
___ Completed Application		___ Completed Application
___ Two letters of recommendation One from your high school administration		___ Two letters of recommendation
___ Copy of High School transcript		___ Copy of College transcript showing 2.75 or above
___ One Page Personal Statement		___ One Page Personal Statement

School Information

School you will be (are) attending: _____ State _____

Type of school: ___ University ___ College ___ Jr. College ___ Technical Other

Status while attending: ___ full time ___ part time

My signature below verifies that all of the information contained in this application is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant: _____ DATE _____

Due Date: October 9, 2009

Submit to: Eleanor G. Thomas, PO Box 1950, Window Rock, AZ 86515