

Poarch Creek Indians Education Department

Close Up Application 2023

Student Selection:

Students will be selected based on application completeness and compliance with the requirements below. **Please fill out the application completely!**

Requirements to attend Close Up:

- Submit a completed application and submit the latest report card with GPA listed. Student must have and maintain an overall “C” average.
- Successful pass a Drug & Alcohol Test prior to being accepted and randomly throughout the program.
- Complete the Questionnaire portion on page 2 of the application.
- Complete the Essay portion of the selection process.
- Submit two required reference letters.
- Pay \$100.00 Deposit Fee. This will be refunded after student comes back from Close Up.
- Each participant must attend **mandatory classes** that will help prepare them for the trip. These classes will be held at the Education Department each month. These classes will cover a variety of topics including Community Service Project, US History, Tribal Government and Tribal History. These classes will help prepare you for the trip. We will also go over policies and procedures for the Close Up Program.

Student Contact Information:

Student's Full Name:
Date of Birth:
Home Address:
City/State/Zip:
Tribal Affiliation _____ Tribal Member _____ First Generation (Attach letter)
Cell Phone:
Email:
Grade:
School Name:
Principal/Guidance Counselor:

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name(s):
Work Phone:
Cell Phone:
Email:

Medical Info:

Emergency Contact:
Relationship to student:
Insurance Company:
Family Doctor:
Any known medical problems/allergies:

Questionnaire:

Answer the following questions below according to the state that you live in.

1. What is your U.S. Congressional District?

2. Who are your U.S. Representatives? (7)

3. Who is your state's U.S. Senators? (2)

4. Who are your Tribal Council Members? (9)

5. Please list your ancestors:

6. Summarize your leadership and citizenship experience in service to your school, church or the community.

Essay Requirements:

Your response to the essay questions will be included in the selection process.

1. Answer all three essay questions.
2. Use proper grammar and punctuation.
3. Each answer must be typed or written in blue or black ink.
4. Question 1 and 2 must be at least 300 words in length.
5. Include your first and last name on your paper.

Essay Questions:

1. If you had five minutes with the President of the United States, what topic would you discuss, and what points would you convey about that topic?
2. If you had five minutes with your Tribal Chairman, what tribal issue would you discuss and what points would you convey about that issue?
3. In two paragraphs tell us a little about your tribe and what it means to you? Please use a separate sheet of paper.

Reference Letter:

Each student must submit two letters of reference. Reference letters will be taken into consideration during the selection process. A good letter of reference is one that supports your achievements, skills and citizenship experience. These letters cannot be from family members or friends.

Indian Verification:

For 1st generation descendants please submit with application-a letter of Indian verification, which can be obtained by contacting the Tribal Enrollment office @ (251)368-9136 ext. 2209

Parent/Guardian Signature:

By signing below, I give permission for my child, _____ to participate in all Leadership related activities/meetings to prepare for the "Close Up" trip to Washington, D.C. 2023. In addition, I understand that there will be a required, refundable **\$100.00 deposit** that is due once I have been notified of my child's acceptance; this is in order to prevent last minute cancellations. If my child fails to attend Close Up for any reason other than an emergency situation, I understand that I will forfeit my deposit. Any request to withdraw due to an emergency situation must be approved by the Education Director and Community Services Division Director. I agree to attend at least 2 parent meetings, which will occur prior to Close Up. I understand that if my child should misbehave at any time during this trip, he/she will be sent home immediately, and that I have the option of (1) coming to get him/her, or (2) having him/her fly home unaccompanied. I understand that I will be responsible for all costs of having my child come home early.

Parent Signature

Date:

Parent Printed Name