



## Muscogee (Creek) Nation Department of Education and Training Virtual Learning Support Program FAQ Fact Sheet

The Virtual Learning Support Program is offered to equip all enrolled Muscogee (Creek) Nation (MCN) students with technology tools, including but not limited to laptop computers, tablets, and internet access that will better enable distance learning necessitated by COVID-19. Student-applicants will receive a one-time \$850.00 allowance per eligible MCN citizen. To receive this assistance, enrolled tribal citizens will be required to attest that the COVID-19 Pandemic has negatively impacted their learning opportunities.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

**Q1:** Will MCN be providing students with laptops and internet service?

**A1:** Approved student-applicants will individually receive a one-time payment of \$850.00 to purchase any necessary equipment or services to assist them with virtual learning as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic. Funds from the Virtual Learning Support Program may be used for one or more of the following items including but not limited to;

- Laptop/Desktop computer, tablet
- Printer/Scanner/Copier
- Wifi/Hotspot
- Other related resources needed
- Microsoft Office/Educational Software

**Q2:** Who is eligible to receive the Virtual Learning Support?

**A2:** Eligibility includes all MCN citizens who are currently enrolled as a student (PreK-12, Vocational-Technical, Post-Secondary, Graduate school, or Other). Student-applicants must be able to verify MCN citizenship and school enrollment.

**Q3:** Is there an application to complete to receive the funding?

**A3:** Yes, an individual application is required for each student. The deadline for submission is December 1, 2020. Student-applicants, under the age of 18, must have a parent/guardian complete the application to receive the funding. For processing and tracking purposes, parents/guardians must submit individual applications for each student. Contact the Department of Education and Training (DET) at 918-732-7727 for the application, or for faster processing time use the following link to apply online, [https://eforms.mcn-nsn.gov/lincdoc/doc/run/muscogeeh/ET\\_VirtualLearningApp](https://eforms.mcn-nsn.gov/lincdoc/doc/run/muscogeeh/ET_VirtualLearningApp).

**Q4:** What documents are required to submit?

**A4:** Student-applicants will need to submit a copy of their MCN citizenship card and school enrollment verification (i.e., copy of the school schedule or a letter from the school, etc.). After receiving the funds and purchasing approved virtual learning support item(s), receipts will need to be submitted via email or regular mail to DET by December 31, 2020. Receipts must be from the Fall 2020 school term. Reimbursements from previous school terms are not allowed under the CARES Funding guidelines.

**Q5:** How soon will I receive the funding?

**A5:** Completed online applications and direct deposit payments may be processed in 2-3 weeks, depending on the number of applications received. However, completed hardcopy applications and mailed checks may take twice as long due to the nature of the process. **For a faster processing time, ensure all the required documents are submitted with the completed application.**

**Q6:** Will there be any tutoring assistance available to help parents/guardians with homework/lessons?

**A6:** As part of this program, DET will be supporting communities within the MCN Reservation to provide virtual academic support to primarily PreK-12 students. Students in other school levels and/or outside of the boundaries may seek additional academic support by contacting the DET office. More information will be provided in the coming days.

**Q7:** Do you have to live within the MCN Reservation boundaries to receive the Virtual Learning Support.

**A7:** No, this program is available to all MCN citizens who are currently enrolled students beginning the Fall 2020 school term.