

Native American Career and Technical Education Program (NACTEP)

GRANTEE: Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

TYPE OF INSTITUTION: Tribal Organization

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PROJECT SUMMARY:

The project is designed to provide American Indian individuals from economically disadvantaged families in Choctaw and Pushmataha Counties of southeastern Oklahoma with high-quality career and technical education program. Each program should result in an industry-recognized credential, certificate, or associate degree so participants are properly equipped to secure employment in high-growth, high demand occupations. The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma has a coverage area that includes over 11,000 square miles of remote, rural hill and valleys in southeastern Oklahoma. The area is extremely rural and poverty stricken.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- To work with up to 300 individuals each year to fully prepare them to enroll in programs of interest. To enroll a target number of students per year (minimum of 25) in career/technical education programs resulting in 12 participants successfully completing their training and locating employment each year.
- The Nation will carefully select, support, and work with participants to ensure that a minimum of 80% attain the program proficiency credential, certificate, or degree.
- To provide quality services that consists of: individual assessments, career guidance, financial support, academic remediation, and employment services upon completion of training.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL(S) OF PARTICIPANTS:

Postsecondary

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TRAINING AREAS:

AREA	CERTIFICATION STATUS
Manufacturing	Certificate/AAS Degree
Health Sciences	Certificate/AAS Degree
Education and Training (Media Specialist)	AAS Degree
Information Technology	AAS Degree
Business Administration	AAS Degree
Human Services	AAS Degree/Certificate
Transportation, Distribution Logistics	Certificate/AAS Degree
Hospitality and Tourism	AAS Degree
Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security	AAS Degree

AVAILABLE DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS:

Career Guidance and Counseling
Financial assistance with tuition, books, and fees
Academic Support
Employment Service Assistance

NUMBER OF PROGRAM SITES: 1

PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIVES:

Local Technology Centers and Community Colleges
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Choctaw Asset Building Program
Potential Employers

ACCREDITATION STATUS:

North Central Association of Schools and Colleges, Southern Association of Schools and Colleges