

Gila River Indian Community  
Tribal Education Department

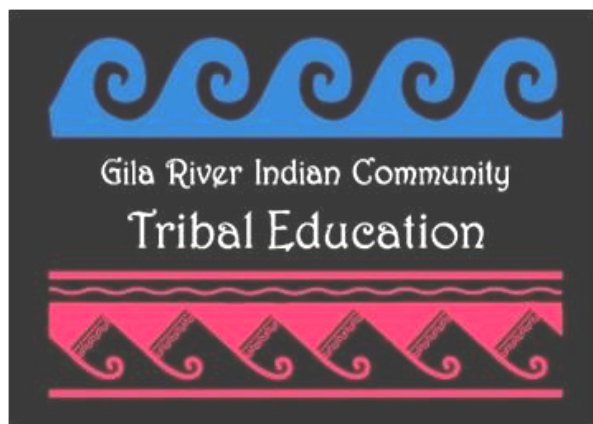
# 2019 CHIEF AZUL SCHOLAR AWARD

Achievement

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Leadership

Application Deadline:  
March 29, 2019



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Chief Antonio Azul “Mavith Kavdom” (Lion Shield) was born 1817. Azul was the last Head-Chief of the Akimel O’odtham. He always wanted what was best for his people. During battles he would unite with the Pee-Posh (Maricopa) and often led his army to victory. Under his leadership he was able to keep the tribe in its own traditional territory, rather than being relocated to Oklahoma. He died on October 1, 1909

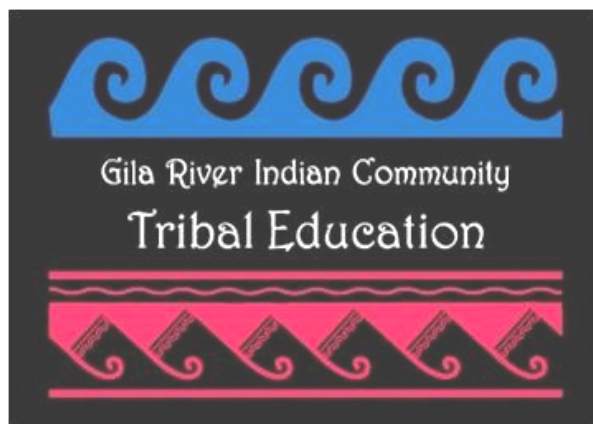
The Tribal Education Department is happy to announce the 2019 Chief Azul Scholar Award which recognizes educational achievements, academic excellence and leadership. This award seeks to recognize individual student scholars and provide motivation toward excellence for Gila River Students that aspire to reach high academic goals.

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## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD

- Enrolled Member of the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC)
- Enrolled Student in 4th-12th grade or
- Full-time Undergraduate College Student

**For more information or questions please call (520) 562-3662 or e-mail  
[Arlanna.Jackson.EDU@gric.nsn.us](mailto:Arlanna.Jackson.EDU@gric.nsn.us)**



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## NOMINATIONS AND APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

### **Students in grades 4th to 12th:**

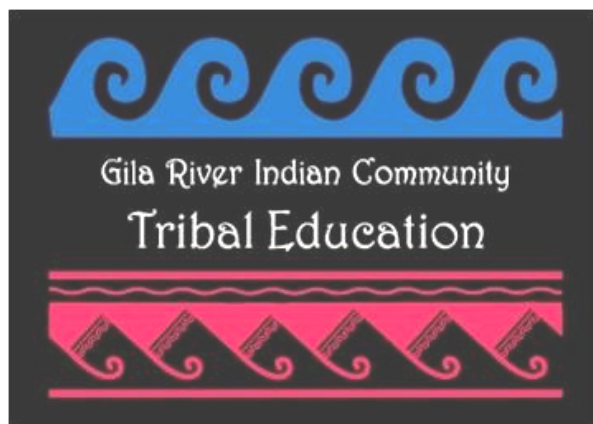
All nominations must be submitted on the Chief Azul Scholar Nomination Form. The form must be completed fully or indicate otherwise if no information is available. A member from the school, K-12 Advisor or Parent must complete the nomination form and submit on behalf of the student as well as include required supporting application documents indicated on the supporting application documents checklist.

### **Undergraduate Students:**

All nominations must be submitted on the Chief Azul Scholar Nomination Form. The form must be completed fully or indicate otherwise if no information is available. A Professor, Student Advisor, Parent, or Student (self-nomination) must complete the nomination form and submit on behalf of the student as well as include required supporting application documents indicated on the supporting application documents checklist.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- Excellent attendance record.
- Consistent performance at best level and demonstrates high academic engagement with a strong academic record.
- Demonstrates inspirational behavior and conduct; and continuously demonstrates a positive, friendly, and cooperative relationship with students, faculty, staff, and the community at large.
- Demonstrates desire and ability to overcome barriers and achieve their goals.
- Individual determination to succeed; self-motivated in completing challenging coursework.
- Demonstrates knowledge of and/or interest in the GRIC culture.
- Strong record and participation in extracurricular activities, volunteer/community service.



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## SUPPORTING APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

### **4th-8th Grade:**

- Official Transcript or Grade Report for SY 2018-2019
- Attendance Record
- Documentation of extracurricular activities, community service, awards or certificates
- Letter of Recommendation

### **9th-12th Grade:**

- Official Transcript for SY 2018-2019
- Attendance Record
- Documentation of extracurricular activities, community service, awards or certificates
- 2 Letters of Recommendation

### **Undergraduate:**

- Official Transcript for SY 2018-2019
- Enrollment Verification (Must be full-time student)
- Current Resume or Vitae that outlines student interests, volunteerism, community service, and achievements.
- One letter of recommendation from a current or former Professor/Instructor
- Personal Essay: "*What impact has education had on your life?*" typed, double-spaced, 12 point font

## JUDGING PROCESS

- Nominations will be reviewed by a panel composed of GRIC Tribal Education Administrators.
- The panel will rank the Nominations according to how well they meet or exceed the criteria and select the top 3 students per grade level.
- There will be one Chief Azul Scholar and two Honorable Mentions per grade level.

## SUBMIT NOMINATION APPLICATION TO:

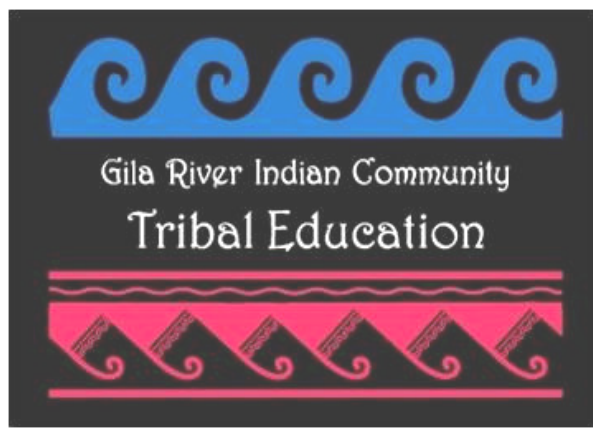
**By mail to:** Tribal Education Department  
ATTN: 2019 Chief Azul Scholar Application  
P.O. Box 97 Sacaton, AZ 85147

**By email to:** [Arlanna.Jackson.EDU@gric.nsn.us](mailto:Arlanna.Jackson.EDU@gric.nsn.us)

**Or hand deliver to:** Tribal Education Office Front Desk, 555 B. St. Sacaton, AZ 85147

**All nominations must be completed in full. Any portion left void of information may limit the student's chances of selection.**

To verify if your application and supporting documents were received, please call (520) 562-3662



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# CHIEF AZUL SCHOLAR NOMINATION FORM

Please fill out completely and accurately. Submit nomination form with supporting application documents. Applications received after deadline date of **March 29, 2019** will not be considered.

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by(Name and Title): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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## School's Official Use Only:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ School Official Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_ (90%-100%)

Positive Behavior: Yes/No                      Referrals: Yes/No

Homework/class assignments consistently completed? Yes/No

Student Accomplishments (Principal's list, Student Council, Honor Roll, Dean's List etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Types of Extracurricular Activities: \_\_\_\_\_