

Dr. Jacob McKay Honour Scholarship

In memory of the late Dr. Jacob McKay, a new scholarship has been established to support students attending BC's Indigenous adult education and higher learning institutes.

Two awards will be provided annually in the amount of \$2000.

About Dr. McKay

Dr. Jacob Vincent McKay, Simo'ogit Bayt N'eechl, (1938 - 2009) was a founding member of the Indigenous Adult and Higher Learning Association (IAHLA) and a Nisga'a hereditary chief. He was strongly rooted in his Nisga'a language and culture, and deeply passionate about passing on that legacy to young people.

He spent over 30 years on the Laxgaltsap Village Government and represented his community on the First Nations Education Steering Committee, a body that he co-founded in 1992. He also served 6 years on the First Peoples' Heritage, Language and Culture Council, and contributed to many regional, provincial, national and international education committees.

Jacob was a trustee in the School District 92 for 15 years. He was also a well-respected chairman of Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute, an Aboriginal post-secondary institute in the Nass Valley that he helped to establish.

How to apply

Eligibility

This scholarship is open to Aboriginal students who have attended an IAHLA institute and will be continuing at the IAHLA institute or attending a BC public post-secondary institution in the fall of 2011.

Application Requirements

1. One letter describing your education journey and your goals
2. Two letters of reference
3. Your most current school transcript

Apply by mail or fax to

Dr. Jacob McKay Scholarship Committee

c/o Indigenous Adult and Higher Learning Association

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Application deadline:

June 10, 2011

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