



Jordan's Principle Back to School Funding Guidelines

Purpose:

To provide guidelines for the disbursement of one-time approved funding from Jordan's Principle to Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory children/youth for the school year starting September 2023.

Approved Costs:

Phase One:

- Clothing (18 months to 5 years) \$250.00/per child **receipts required*
- Clothing (6 years to 18 years) \$500.00/per child **receipts required*
- School Supplies (6 years to 18 years) \$400.00/per child **receipts required*
- Mileage (on-reserve) \$177.84/one-time payment
- Meals (on-reserve) \$84.00/one-time payment per child
- Meals and Mileage (off-reserve) \$50.00/one-time payment per child
- Food Costs (1 month) \$250.00/per month/per child

Phase Two:

- Winter Clothing (18 months to 18 years) \$500.00/per child **receipts required*
- Food Costs (2 months) \$250.00/per month/per child

Eligibility:

Those eligible must meet the following requirements:

- Children/youth ages 18 months to 18 years old (effective June 30, 2023) for the school year commencing September 6, 2023 to June 30, 2024;
- Children/youth must be registered WUT band members, or are eligible to be registered WUT band members under the Indian Act;
- Complete an application in full; and
- Submit their application by **Wednesday, January 31, 2024**.

Guidelines

1. These guidelines were approved by the Chief and Council on **September 25, 2023**.
2. All funding disbursed will follow the WUT Finance Policy and Procedures.
3. All disbursements will be by cheque, which will then be i) direct deposit or ii) mailed to the applicant. Cash will not be disbursed.
4. Youth not currently enrolled in school are ineligible for school supplies - but are eligible for all other approved costs.
5. For those families living outside of Canada, funding will be i) wire-transferred or ii) mailed in Canadian dollars.

6. Disbursed funding will not affect Ontario Works social assistance payments and/or Ontario Disability Support payments.
7. For those children in care, the primary caregiver (foster parent, kin-out, kin-in) can apply on behalf of the children/youth to be used for the purposes listed under approved costs. A letter verifying the caregiver must be provided.
8. Youth 16 and over, can apply themselves. Youth will receive a cheque in their name that will either be i) direct deposited or ii) mailed. Cash will not be disbursed.
9. For those children, with parents that have joint custody, both parents can apply equally.
10. No other amounts, except approved costs will be disbursed.
11. Funding will be disbursed within five weeks from the date the application is submitted in full. If the application is incomplete, the application will not be processed within the five-week period.
12. All applicants are required to submit all receipts for clothing and school supplies by **March 1, 2024**. Receipts can be submitted by:
 - a. Email: whcintake@wikyhealth.ca
 - b. Drop-Off: Wikwemikong Health Centre – Intake, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, ON, P0P2J0
 - c. Mailed to: Wikwemikong Health Centre – Intake, 16A Complex Drive, Wikwemikong, ON, P0P2J0
13. Detailed receipts are required from retailers and/or suppliers (i.e. Walmart, Shoe Company, Amazon, etc.). Receipts for clothing and school supplies should be equal to the amount disbursed. If receipts are over the approved amount, no added amount will be disbursed.
14. Submission of receipts will guarantee distribution of the second phase of funding (winter clothes and two months of food).