



**ACE**  
Accessing Choices in Education  
The Muscogee Nation

# Muscogee Nation Accessing Choices in Education (ACE)

Enhancing student educational choices



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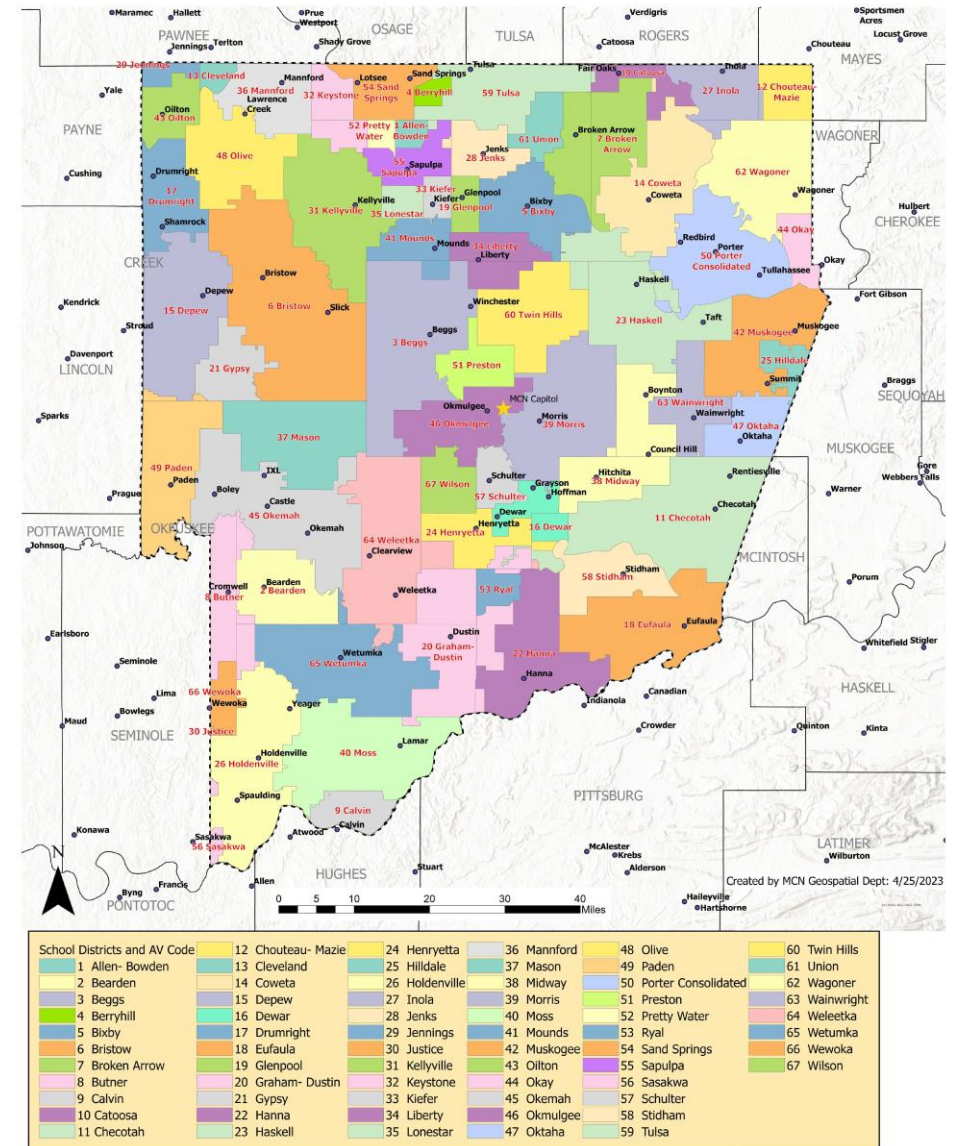


# ACE Goals

- ▶ Provide culturally responsive educational choices for Native students
- ▶ Expand and strengthen students' use of culturally responsive, evidence based educational support services that contribute to their academic success
- ▶ Strengthen and increase family engagement to support student learning through parent involvement and feedback.

# ACE Student Eligibility

- ▶ American Indian or Alaskan Native
  - ▶ Any federally recognized tribe
- ▶ PK thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
- ▶ Attend school within the Muscogee Nation Reservation boundaries
  - ▶ 67 school districts
  - ▶ Charter/Private: Location of school
  - ▶ Online/Homeschool: Home address
  - ▶ MCN Head Start: 4 year old/Attend Kindergarten August 2025



SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION ELEVEN COUNTY TRIBAL JURISDICTION



# ACE

Accessing Choices in Education

Quality Educational Opportunities for AI/AN Students  
From Pre-K Through 12th Grade



## COKV KERRETV ENHOPOKE ~ EDUCATIONAL CHOICE ~

The Muscogee (Creek) Nation Accessing Choices in Education Project enhances student and family educational choice by creating a Service Provider System that includes evidence-based, culturally responsive service options to improve Native American student academic outcomes.

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# MCN ACE Services

## ▶ Service Selection

- ▶ Service Provider System (SPS), MCN ACE website - [www.mcnaceservices.com](http://www.mcnaceservices.com)
- ▶ Applications will be available starting at **Noon** on the date specified for each service.
- ▶ All services listed require an electronic application available on the MCN ACE website. Please note that MCN ACE does not use the MCN Camphouse Portal.
- ▶ Applicants may have to refresh their browser if the application does not appear at Noon.
- ▶ Due to the high volume of applications per service, some services may close within minutes.
- ▶ MCN ACE services are first come, first served.
- ▶ Some services require documentation that will be requested upon application approval.

# Application

**APPLY TODAY!**

## Website Posting:

### Cultural Experience-Meet the Artist Session #3

Eligible Grades: PK-12<sup>th</sup>

**Application Opens: November 19, 2024**

Connecting students to culture, art, and various artist. Students will be emailed the virtual presentation where they will be introduced to an artist and receive an enrichment bundle based on the session. (While supplies last)

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# Service Offering

October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025

- ▶ Cultural Labs
- ▶ MCN Cultural Experience
- ▶ Education Materials
- ▶ College Concurrent Fee Assistance
- ▶ College Application Fee Assistance
- ▶ Indigenous Readers
- ▶ ACT Test Prep Workshop
- ▶ STEM



# Cultural Labs

(PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

Cultural Labs will provide a learning experience centered around art experimentation. Students will gain insight into Mvskoke art through hands-on activities such as moccasin making, painting, creating cornhusk dolls, beading and storytelling. These labs culturally enrich students' knowledge of Mvskoke people while also incorporating a variety of styles and methods.

- ▶ Britteny Cuevas-Brown, FOUR LOCV
- ▶ Scheduled Events- Flyers on Website / Emailed
- ▶ Catalog on website
  - ▶ Email her for scheduling; PK-12<sup>th</sup> Grades



# MCN Cultural Experience

## ▶ Meet the Artist (PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

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- ▶ Two virtual sessions

## ▶ Educational Trunk (PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

The Cultural Experience Trunk is a hands-on, cultural experience for students, PK-12th Grade in classrooms and communities. ACE Cultural Academics Specialist utilizes Mvskoke artifacts and lesson plans to bring this cultural learning opportunity to life for students.

- ▶ Request form for the Educational Trunk is on our website.

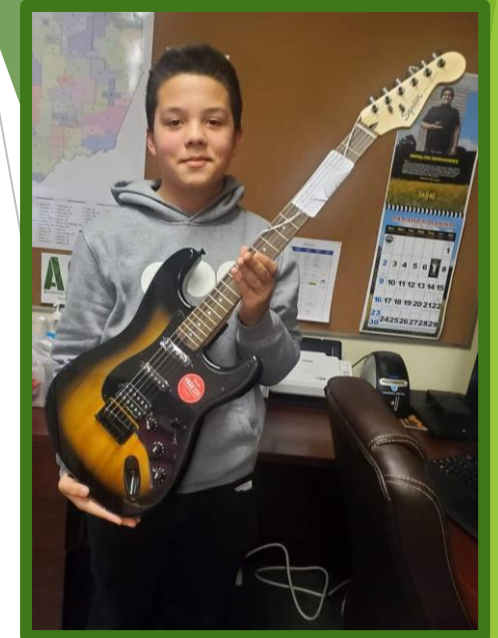
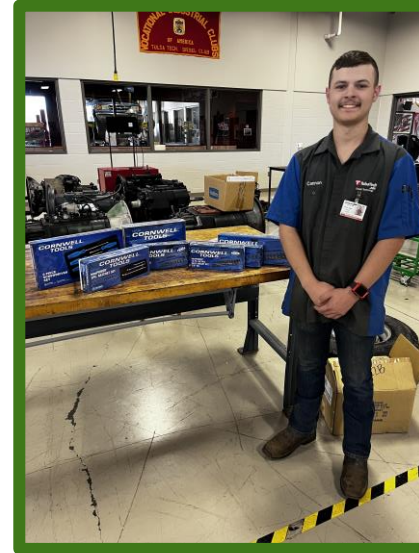


# Education Materials

(PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

The purpose of the ACE Education Materials option is to provide materials needed by students to assist in their educational success at school. Funding is used to enhance current classes the student is enrolled in.

- ▶ If you have applied for Ed Materials in the past APPLY AGAIN. This is a new service year and all can apply.
- ▶ Items provided to select from:
  - ▶ Tutoring
  - ▶ Technology (Laptop, Chromebook, or iPad w/ Case)
  - ▶ Athletics/GYM PE
  - ▶ AG related items
  - ▶ Band
  - ▶ Concurrent
  - ▶ Literacy (books)
  - ▶ Inclusion
  - ▶ Other items needed for classes the student is currently enrolled in.
- ▶ Reimbursements for services are not allowed.
- ▶ No documentation is needed at time of application however, proof of enrollment will be requested once the application is approved.

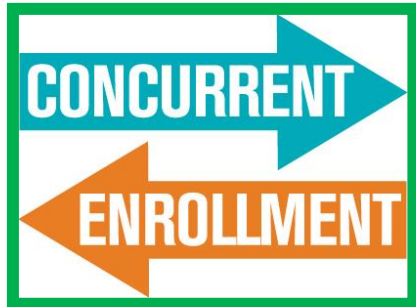


# College Concurrent Fee Assistance

(11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

College Concurrent Fee Assistance covers expenses (tuition, fees, and books) incurred during the Fall 2024 or Spring 2025 semester, up to \$500. Application processing is first come, first served. College Concurrent Fee Assistance closes when funds are exhausted. Students can only receive funding once during October 1, 2024-September 30, 2025.

- ▶ Fall 2024 - Application Opens November 2024
- ▶ Spring 2025- Application Opens April 2025
- ▶ ACE pays school directly



# College Application Fee Assistance

(12<sup>th</sup>)

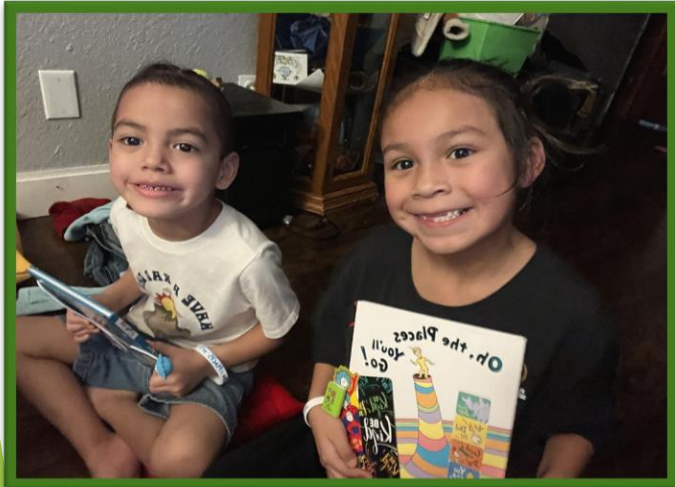
College Application Fee Assistance provides financial assistance up to \$60 (reimbursement with proper documentation), to students enrolling in a college they will attend Fall semester after graduation from high school. Application processing is first come, first served. College Application Fee Assistance closes when funds are exhausted.

# Indigenous Readers

## Sessions

- ▶ Elementary (PK-5<sup>th</sup>)
- ▶ Middle School (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)
- ▶ STEM (PK-12<sup>th</sup>)
- ▶ Read Across America (PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

Virtual sessions for students where stories are read ‘aloud’. The topics of the stories focus on enhancing student’s understanding of the value of family and communities, native culture, determination, and resiliency. By hearing each story brought to life in a literary adventure, ACE hopes to foster a love for books and Indigenous authors. Students will receive a book bundle that fosters literacy. (While supplies last)



# ACT Test Prep Workshop

(8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

MCN ACE provides students with a practical, hands-on workshop designed to increase student's ACT© test scores. The workshop covers general test-taking strategies as well as focused interventions for English, Math, Reading, and Science questions.

At the workshop, students will receive notes and concepts discussed in the presentation. Upon completion of the workshop, students will also receive a Texas Instruments TI-84 calculator to assist with the math portion of the test. \*Students will be referred to the Muscogee Nation Employment & Training Department for assistance with ACT testing fees.



# STEM

## (PK-12<sup>th</sup>)

Connecting Native Students to experiences in STEM areas-Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. This service will provide a selection of in-person or at-home options. Engaging students with opportunities to learn and be inspired by the fastest-growing industry and job fields in both the present and future.

- ▶ Items available this year (one selection per student):
  - ▶ LEGOs serving PK-12<sup>th</sup>
  - ▶ Little Passports PK-5<sup>th</sup>,
  - ▶ STEM Learning Opportunities selected by the student (all payments paid to the vendor).
- ▶ Reimbursements for services are not allowed.



# QUESTIONS?

[www.mcnACEservices.com](http://www.mcnACEservices.com)

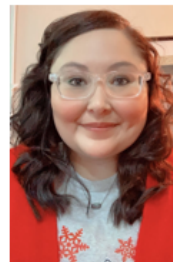
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