

Native American Program Family Newsletter

Spring 2019

Believe it or not, the end of school is fast approaching!

The Native American Parent Committee will be meeting May 13th from 12-2pm at the Mark Stanford Education Center. We will be reviewing the Indian Education Grant guidelines and finalizing next years budget. This meeting is open to all parents and guardians. Your presence and voice is greatly appreciated when it comes to our youth.

If you have a graduate who wants to attach an eagle feather/plume to their tassel, please fill out the American High School Graduation Attire Accommodation Request form and return by May 10th.

With that said, there will be a celebration for all our young Pre-K, K, 5th, 8th and 12th grade Native American graduates attending both Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. Please join us May 15th at Central Middle School in East Grand Forks (1827 Bygland Rd SE) from 6-8pm for a light meal to celebrate and recognize their dedication and accomplishments.

Families are also invited to attend East Grand Forks Career Night on April 29th at Central Middle School. Indian Tacos will be served starting at 6pm then followed by 4 short presentations/speakers.

Once again, there will be Summer Encore starting June 3-June 27th from 12:00-5:30pm at Century and Winship Elementary. Any current K-5th graders attending Lake Agassiz, Ben Franklin, Century, Wilder, West, Viking, Lewis & Clark, Phoenix are welcome to register. Please see attachment for fee information.

The 2019/20 Encore Registration will be held in the cafeteria at Community High School (500 Stanford Road) on:

-Monday August 5th 8:00-5:00pm -Monday August 13th 8:00-3:00pm
-Tuesday August 6th 8:00-3:00pm -Tuesday August 14th 8:00-5:00pm

As always, please call/email with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

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GRAND FORKS
NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

Important Dates

April 24th

1:30pm Early Release
for Elementary

May 8th

1Hr Late Start for HS
1:30pm Early Release for
Elementary

May 10th

Strom Make-Up Day School
in Session

May 13th

NAPC Meeting 12-2pm

May 22nd

1:30pm Early Release
for Elementary

May 27th

Memorial Day- No School

May 29th

Last Day of ENCORE

May 30th

Last Day of School

May 30th

Community HS Graduation
7pm @ Alerus Center

June 2nd

RRHS Graduation 1pm
Central HS Graduation 4pm
Both at Alerus Center

Are you the Parent/Guardian of a Native American Student in the Grand Forks Public School District?

You may be eligible for services provided by the Native American Program if:

- Your child is an enrolled tribal member,
- OR**
- A parent or grandparent is a member of a tribe, by state or federal recognition.

If you have not already done so, please contact your school secretary to fill out a Title VII Eligibility form, or '506 Form'. Alternatively, you can receive one by mail, e-mail or by picking one up from the Mark Sanford Education Center. To request a copy be sent to you, please call or email Chad Ward.

Services Available...

- Cost assistance for:
 - ENCORE Program
 - ZAPS ACT Prep Course
 - Jeffco Credit Recovery
 - Duel Credit tuition
 - AP Course Testing
- Tutoring
- Cultural Activities
- Culturally focused learning materials, which includes access to program library.

** Be sure you are meeting and speaking with your High School Guidance Counselor about those listed above, as well as College visits, applications and scholarships.

It's never too early to start thinking about the future!

