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May 2017 Newsletter

Upcoming Events:

Friday May 5th 5:30-8:30 Kiwanis Park	**NAPAC BBQ** Please join us in closing out the school year for an evening of food, games, and celebrating the hard work of our Native students this year. We will also be sharing plans for the Native American program next year.

News and Information

Come join the Native American Parent Advisory Committee for the annual NAPAC BBQ! Enjoy good food, fun, and conversation as we close out the end of the year. There will be board games, lawn games, face painting, and arts and craft activities for students and families to participate in. Your NAPAC Executive Board proudly sponsors this each year and looks forward to seeing you there!

If you are planning on attending, please RSVP by **Wednesday May 3th** by filling out and returning the bottom portion of the flier (attached) to your school.

Date: Friday, May 5, 2017
Time: 5:30PM-8:30PM
Location: Kiwanis Park
At the Intersection of
Baseline Rd. and Mill Ave.
6111 S. All America Way

Tempe, AZ 85283

Announcements

Shadowing Program at Aprende Middle School
Aprende Middle School has an active Native American Club and we invite you to join us during your middle school years. Middle school is a big transition. Please let us help you to make the transition a bit easier. We invite any 4th or 5th grade student who plans to attend Aprende to come shadow a current student from our Native American Club during a typical day in middle school. The Aprende Native American Club has a goal of leadership and we share a bond of friendship with our members. Our past service projects show our great sense of community. We provide friendships and foster leadership. We care about our community and invite you to join us. If you would like to arrange a shadow day, please email Mrs. Klett at tklett@kyrene.org, or call Aprende and leave a message for our club.

Summer Meal Program
For many kids, summertime means food, friends, and fun. For families who count on school breakfast and lunch, however, the summer months can be stressful and family good budgets have to be stretched even further. Free summer meals, funded by USDA, are available for kids and teens ages 18 and younger at summer meals sites across Arizona. To locate a free summer meal site near you, please visit http://eatwellbewell.org/summerfood or text FOOD to 877-877 or you can call the National Hunger Hotline at 1-866-3-HUNGRY or 1-877-8-HAMBRE (Espanol) Monday – Friday 8AM – 8PM EST.

506 FORMS
The Title VI office is currently auditing all of its files to ensure that all of our students' paperwork is complete. Please keep your eye out for any e-mails, phone calls, or paperwork regarding your child's participation in the program to ensure that he or remains eligible.

BACKPACKS
Check your child's backpack every day for homework, flyers, and paperwork from the school.

TRUANCY
If your child is going to miss school, make sure you call the school to let them know. After 5 unexcused absences or 19 excused OR unexcused absences, the student can be cited through the Juvenile Court with parent present.

UPDATE EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION
with your child's school when you move, change numbers, or have new emergency family contacts.

Program Spotlight

Kyrene Middle School's Native American Culture class enjoyed having Jared Massey speak and demonstrate the hoop dance for them. Jared is a member of the White Mountain Apache tribe. He is currently an ASU student and works for UNITY, which is a Native American youth leadership organization. Jared presented to the 7th and 8th grade students. He discussed hardships he overcame, issues of balancing his Native American identity, ideas for school success, his ASU experience, and the meaning behind the hoop dance and his regalia. He even taught the 7th grade students some hoop dance skills. The students were completely engaged in Jared's presentation and are still talking about it. He will also be presenting at CMS on May 3rd. We can't wait!

Student Spotlight

This month, our Student Spotlight comes from a teacher who wanted to recognize a Native American student. We are so excited that parents and teachers are becoming involved in spotlighting our students!

Leila Kelly is a wonderful second grade student at Kyrene de las Lomas. She exemplifies what a leader looks like in all areas of the school. Leila is on time and ready to learn, wearing that big beautiful smile, every day. Her heart and beauty shine from within. Whenever I, or another student need anything, Leila is the first to respond. She tries her best even when the task might be challenging for her. Leila is a very talented artist and her handwriting is much better than mine! I am so proud to call Leila one of my students and I can't wait to see what the world has in store for this outstanding little lady

Parents: Do you have a student who is shining in or outside or school? Feel free to email Becca with a short write-up and photo so that we can feature your child in our next newsletter!

Native American Community Educational Resources

Native Health	Same day appointments for Dentistry, Community Health and Wellness, Behavioral Health. www.nativehealthphoenix.org **602-279-5351**
Phoenix Indian Center	Phoenix Indian Center serves the American Indian community with culturally relevant youth services, language and cultural revitalization programs, education and workforce development. info@phxindcenter.org **602-264-6768**
Gila River Indian Community	The Gila River Indian Community is served by a number of departments that focus on community's needs such as housing, education, employment, property, healthcare, community service, public safety and more. info@phxindcenter.org **602-264-6768**
Salt River Indian Community	The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community envisions a balancing of the forces of economic development with the foundations of long-established Community values. 10005 E. Osborn Rd Scottsdale, AZ www.srpmic-nsn.gov **480-362-7740**
Pascua Yaqui Indian Community	The Division of Child, Family and Senior Services will strive to protect, assist and empower all tribal families by working together to build a resilient and thriving nation. 9405 S. Avenida Del Yaqui Guadalupe, AZ 85283 www.pascuayaqui-nsn.gov **480-768-2000**
Kyrene Family Resource Center	School supplies, food, and clothing are available at the Kyrene Family Resources Center 1330 E Dava Dr. Tempe, AZ **480-541-4772**

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