

April 2017 Newsletter



Title VI Native American Program

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Greetings Parents and Students:

You may or may not know that the Title VI Native American Program is a program funded by a federal grant. Thus, our team has been working hard this year to ensure that all of our paperwork is complete and accurate. This has been a learning process for us as we have discovered more and more about what is required of the paperwork we submit for our grant application each year. Thank you for your continued support as we've undergone this process.

Title VI staff

News and Information

Many of you have received communications from us this year requesting additional information about your child's eligibility for our programs. We cannot tell you how much we've appreciated your cooperation and patience through this process. We want to share now that you may be receiving one more final request regarding your paperwork in the coming weeks. We will be sending out a number of forms to be signed by parents to ensure that all of the information we've gathered is accurate. If you receive a form to be signed and returned, please be sure to complete all fields that are not already filled in, sign, date and return the form to your school as soon as possible. If you need to make changes to the form, please write in the correct information and initial next to it. We appreciate your continued support and patience through this process.

It is extremely important that we receive these forms back (and completed) as soon as possible to ensure that your student remains eligible for our programs. If you do not receive any paperwork to sign, then your child's paperwork is all set!

Upcoming Events

NAPAC BBQ

Friday, May 5

5:30-7:30

Kiwanis Park

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.

Announcements

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 she is not removed from it.

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.

Program Spotlight



Kyrene de las Brisas's Native American club performed a Navajo Coyote story. The group, which is made up of fourth and fifth grade students, performed a play at an assembly for the school's kindergarten and first grade classes. The

students prepared once a week during their lunch and recess time to learn their lines, practice, and create their backdrop and props. The students not only displayed their acting talent, but also demonstrated their leadership abilities. Staff and students enjoyed the program. The club is looking forward to their next performance. Congratulations to the Kyrene de las Brisas Native American Club!

Student Spotlight

"Julia Bowen is a ten year old, fifth grade student at Colina Elementary. She is a bright, compassionate, and intelligent young lady, who enjoys playing basketball, drawing, writing stories, and spending time with her brother and sisters. Julia is a straight A student and has recently been inducted into the National Elementary Honor Society. She plans on continuing to be a positive role model for her younger siblings and her goal is to become a veterinarian...or as she likes to call it, an "animal rescuer. Way to go Julia!"



Our next Student Spotlight is Marquairah Salazar, and 8th grade student at Akimel A-al Middle School. Marquairah received the student of the Week award two weeks in a row! On her Student of the Week award, her teacher praised her hard work:

"Thank you, Marquairah, for your incredible work ethic. I truly admire your "never quit" attitude and outlook on life." In addition to recent academic

achievements, Marquairah keeps herself busy with year-round sports. This past year Marquairah was on the Akimel A-al Varsity Softball team and is currently on the City of Tempe Lady Hawks Softball League. Beyond her roles as a student and an athlete, Marquairah is a member of the Akimel Friends Across the Border Club. The club recently completed another successful foreign student exchange. The list doesn't stop there, this bright young lady is also very creative and expresses her artistic abilities through drawing and painting. Two of her art pieces were published in local children's books. Marquairah is full of potential and understands that with determination and hard work she is capable of accomplishing her goals.

Native American Community & Educational Resources

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www.nativehealthphoenix.org

Same day appointments for Dentistry, Community Health and Wellness, Behavioral Health.

Phoenix Indian Center

info@phxindcenter.org

602-264-6768

Gila River Indian Community

infor@gilariver.org

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Salt River Indian Community

10005 E. Osborn Rd

Scottsdale, AZ

480-362-7740

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Pascua Yaqui Indian Community

9405 S. Avenida Del Yaqui

Guadalupe, Az 85283

480-768-2000

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Kyrene Family Resource Center

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