FAMILY GATHERINGS & CULTURE NIGHTS

PLEASE JOIN US AT UPCOMING EVENTS!

Family Gathering & Culture Nights are scheduled once a month during the school year and are open to those students and families that are enrolled in the TPS Indian Education Program.

A light dinner is served, followed by cultural teaching, activities, and/or projects. In November, Cultural Consultant, Angelina Nockai-Miller (Colville & Navajo), presented storytelling and her daughters, Lily and Nizhoni performed a dance demonstration.

In January, parent Nikki WhiteEagle (The Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation), made and shared fry bread, and showcased a large bison hide and shared cultural knowledge regarding bison.

If you and your family would like to present about your tribe, contact David Syth.







2023 NORTHWEST NATIVE AMERICAN BASKET WEAVERS ASSOCIATION GATHERING

OUR INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM HAD OVER 20 STUDENTS ATTEND THIS EVENT IN OCTOBER

Over 20 Tacoma Public Schools Indian Education Program / School Native Club students attended the 2023 Northwest Native American Basket Weavers Association Gathering in October at the Emerald Queen Casino along with many other Native students from around the region. Led by experienced presenters, students had the opportunity to weave a variety of items such as baskets, cedar rings, bracelets, and ornaments, reed mats, and much more.

Students gained confidence, gained new skills, learned a variety of traditional Native weaving techniques, and earned the satisfaction of completing multiple projects.

After the weaving event, a small group of iDEA, SOTA, & Lincoln Indian Education Program students visited Write 253, where they learned about designing & making prints and posters using vintage letterpress equipment. The students designed and printed beautiful posters that read: WE ARE STILL HERE / Native Youth of Tacoma.







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