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Southern Oregon Indian Education

101 N Grape St. Medford OR 97501

<https://www.soesd.k12.or.us/migrant-ed-ell/>

END OF THE YEAR DATA:

FEEDBACK FORM:

<https://forms.gle/PGqF8YKSQkXigyex5>

Please complete this form for any event you have attended. We use this [form](#) to share our program efforts with the schools in our consortium, Tribes of Oregon, Grant Reports, and our SOESD administration.

Native Games: May 31st Saturday at 10AM

Car Pooling at Shop N Save 9:30 AM

Fred Myer Gift Cards provided for travel assistance

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/AdfxMVGko4QaFq9b6>

Waiver:

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/v/1TULwaiver>

Share our program with all you know!

How to register for the program

Parents/guardians needs to fill out the [Title VI Student Eligibility Form \(Form 506\)](#) (PDF file) in order to register their American Indian/Alaska Native student. Please use a separate form for each student. Please return the completed form to: SOESD Indian Education, 101 N Grape St. Medford OR 97501

Upcoming Events:

Enjoy your Summer!

May 31st- Native Games
Vesper Meadow

June 4th – AllCare
Listening session for
Native Communities
6-8PM at AllCare

June 7th 8th 25th Annual
Rogue Valley Veteran's
Powwow in White City

June 13th Last day for
SOESD Indian
Education

June 21st Hathkupasuta
River Festival-Cave
Junction at the Forks

August 25th-SOESD
Indian Education
Facilitator first day back
to work with SOESD in-
service training

**Huge thanks to Vesper
Meadow, Post Growth
Institute, AllCare, Care
Oregon for supporting
us this year!**



Indian Education

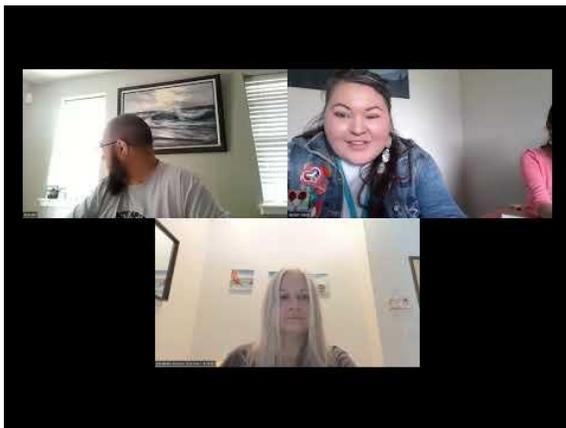
CPC: CONSORTIUM PARENT COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Our CPC is the SOESD Indian Education School parent board. They oversee our program providing guidance and oversight while approving our funding. Meetings are open to public. **Keep your eyes out for openings next year!**

2024-2025 CPC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL:

- Co-Chair Jackson Angélica Marbain
- Co-Chair Josephine Echo Miller
- Secretary Jacklyn Holzhauser
- Member Jamaya Obie
- Member Stephanie Ledford
- Member Randall McAllister
- Member Allison Mellelo Germano
- Student Jackson Giovanni Jackson
- Student Josephine Cheyenne Martin

[Meeting Recording for May:](#)



We will be recruiting new student leaders to serve on our council for the 2025-2026 school year! Please stay up to date with parent square for that announcement.

Thank you to our sponsor, Care Oregon, through Jackson Care Connect. We will be able to provide gas cards to our Native Youth and their families attending NATIVE GAMES on May 31st, 2025, at 10 AM at Vesper Meadow!



Special Thanks and Gratitude to our former SOESD Indian Education Facilitator, Candeeana Jackson (Klamath) for bringing us Native Games. May we honor you and your lasting legacy to our program as we play on the lands of your ancestors. Thank you.



NASU: NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT UNIONS

Grants Pass High School

- Advisor: Perry & Watson
- fperry@grantspass.k12.or.us
- Meets 1st and 3rd Friday at 3:20PM after school in room 206 Perry's classroom

Illinois Valley High School

- Advisor: Szijjarato
- jaime.szijjarto@threerivers.k12.or.us

Fruitdale Elementary School

- Advisor: Constance Palaia
- constance.palaiamarr@threerivers.k12.or.us

North Medford High School

- Advisor: Rebekah Wolf
- rebekah.wolf@medford.k12.or.us

Eagle Point High School

- Advisor: Sunshine Damico-Ivy
- DamicoIvyS@eaglepnt.k12.or.us

Ashland Middle School

- Advisor: Brittany Hardy
- Meets on Wednesdays
- Brittany.Hardy@ashland.k12.or.us

South Medford School

- Advisor: Danae LaQua
- Danae.laqua@medford.k12.or.us

Crater High School

- Advisor: Marcella Six
- marcella.six@district6.org

Bellview Elementary

- Advisor: Natalie Jackson

Walker Elementary

- Advisor: Felicia Florendo

Hellman Elementary

- Advisor: Tia McLean

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Mental Health Resources for Native And Indigenous Communities.

- **Indigenous Story Studio:** creates illustrations, posters, videos, and comic books on health and social issues for youth (Canada-based)
 - [Strength of the Sash](#) and [Tomorrow's Hope](#): suicide prevention
 - [Making it Right](#): community justice, policing
 - [Just a Story](#): mental health stigma
- **One Sky Center:** The American Indian/Alaska Native National Resource Center for Health, Education, and Research; mission is to improve prevention and treatment of mental health and substance use problems and services among Native people
 - [A Guide to Suicide Prevention](#)
 - [Presentations and Publications](#): number of downloadable resources by topic (addiction treatment, adolescents, crisis care & disaster management, disparity of health services, mental health management, and more)
- **WeRNative:** a comprehensive health resource for Native youth by Native youth, promoting holistic health and positive growth in local communities and nation at large, text CARING to 65664, text NATIVE to 741741
 - My Culture – [Wellness and Healing](#), [Identity](#)
 - My Life – My Mind – [Mental Health Difficulties](#), [Improve Your Mood](#), [Getting Help](#), and more (including specific MH issues)
 - My Relationships – [Unhealthy Relationships](#), [Communicating](#), [LGBT – Two Spirit](#)
 - [Ask Auntie](#): similar to advice column – type in your question and it will pull up similar ones; if none answer what you're asking, Auntie Amanda will write up an answer and notify you when it is posted
- **StrongHearts Native Helpline:** The StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-762-8483) is a confidential and anonymous culturally-appropriate domestic violence and dating violence helpline for Native Americans, available every day from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT.
- Crisis line for Indigenous youth call 1-877-209-1266 (US and Canada)



Indian Education

NATIVE GAMES

VESPER MEADOW



VESPER
MEADOW
EDUCATION PROGRAM

RSVP REQUIRED
WAIVER REQUIRED

First foods with Nourish
Atlatl*Archery*Hand Games*Shinny

Saturday MAY 31st

10 AM-3PM

Vesper Meadow: 16534 Dead
Indian Memorial Rd. Ashland OR

Car Pool meet at Shop 'N

Kart 9:30 AM



Jackson Care Connect™

Part of the CareOregon Family

🔍 JASILYN_SWICK@SOESD.K12.OR.US



WAIVER: <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/v/1TUlwaiver>

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/AdfxMVGko4QaFq9b6>

Questions contact Jasi, Jasilyn_swick@soesd.k12.or.us

Native Games: Traditional Games Played by our Ancestors



Figure 1 Cow Creek Health and Wellness Center

Native Games are a celebration of our cultures. We will be having a wonderful day of archery, shinny, hand games, atlatl, first foods, and more! “These ancient skills are important to all people: Just like storytelling, values of the culture are infused into the games. The games teach honor, respect, and responsibility to others - key values that have been lost, as modern society promotes to be “the individual best”. The games address American Indian health from a holistic stance as education is paired with spiritual, mental, and physical survival skills of past.”

[International Traditional Games Society](#)

Hand Games in Oregon from Shared History Tribal History: “Located along the Umpqua River, the Cow Creek Band used bones that were a little over 3 inches long. They were actually made from hollow bones. The marked bones were scored, which helped to keep the buckskin or leather strand tied to it. They also scored the ends of both bones.

The Siletz People used the same size bones, with a leather band around the middle.

Along the Hood River, the Wasco Nation called the game tlukuma, and they cut a groove and marked the end, but instead of going around the bones, they made five deep incisions at the end called yakimutema, and the bones were a little bit shorter at only three inches long. The unmarked bones were called “cola” meaning man, and the marked bones were called “skaguilak,” meaning woman.

The Klamath Tribes called the game loipas. The bones for them were called Skútash and instead of carving into the bones to help the buckskin or leather band stick, they used sticky black gum from plants. There was anywhere from six to 12 sticks to help keep track of which side was correctly guessing. Again, each tribe played for a different number of points, and the counting sticks were made from materials such as willow branches that were light, portable, and sturdy. The Klamath Tribes called these kshesh and painted them red with a point at the end, while the Siletz had a black burned band at the top.

The Umatilla tribe tied the two bones together and wrapped a cord around one of them” [Tribal History Shared History](#)

Hathkapasuta



Illinois River Celebration

Parade of Puppets, all ages invited to join in!!

Sat. June 21st 11am-6pm

Illinois River Forks State Park

¼ mile south of Cave Junction

FREE EVENT

Playful Arts and Nature Experiences for the Whole Family

Hands-on History and Nature Exhibits • Fun Games and Crafts

Live Music with Frankie Hernandez, Josephine Jukebox and Charity Fox

Food Vendors

Free Craft Booth for kids of all ages by IRVAC

Recycled Raft Race at 3:30pm

And Much More to be Announced!

This is an alcohol and drug-free event

Brought to you by CEEN. For more information on the event

call Tim 541-291-8860

<<MEMBERNAME>>
<<STREET>>
<<CITYSTZIP>>



Dear <<MEMBERNAME>>,

Hello, again! I would like to invite you to a special meeting to improve quality healthcare access for our AllCare Health Native American/Alaskan Native members. **The meeting will be held Wednesday, June 4th, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at AllCare Health Community Rooms, 1701 NE 7th Street, Grants Pass.**

We want to hear what works, what doesn't work, and your ideas about how to make it easy to see your Primary Care Provider. Please, tell us how we can do better. There will be incentives for those who come to the meeting. Your answers will be used to improve the quality and access to healthcare providers for our Pacific Islander members.

This letter is a follow up to the survey I sent out in January. If you are interested, please RSVP by scanning the QR code by May 30th. It would also help if you could answer the questions in the survey below.

Have any of the following kept you from scheduling regular doctor's visits? (check all that apply):

- No health insurance.
- Long wait times for appointments.
- Discrimination from your provider. (this can be based on race, immigration status, sex, gender, sexual orientation, etc.)
- No transportation or can't take time off from work.
- Not speaking English well or needing an interpreter.

Additional comments:

SCAN TO RSVP



<https://bit.ly/42URFmK>

I really appreciate your help to improve healthcare for our Native American/Alaskan Native members. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me anytime.

Sincerely,

Quinn Eric Arrington

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Language Access (888) 260-4297

AllCare is inviting us to provide feedback.

RSVP: [CLICK HERE](#)

Wednesday June 4th 6-8PM

25th ANNUAL ROGUE VALLEY VETERANS POWWOW

June 7th and 8th, 2025

VA REHABILITATION CENTER AND CLINICS,
8495 CRATER LAKE HWY,
WHITE CITY



PUBLIC WELCOME
FREE ADMISSION

SATURDAY 7th

GOURD DANCING 10:00 AM
GRAND ENTRY 1:00 & 7:00 PM
FEAST: 5:00 – 7:00 PM

SUNDAY 8th

GOURD DANCING 10:00 AM
GRAND ENTRY 1:00 PM
CEREMONY CLOSES 4:00 PM

HONORING ALL VETERANS
Gold Star and Blue Star
Mothers

MC: Bob Tom
Arena Director: Stuart Whitehead
Host Drum: Steiger Butte
Honor Drum: Warrior Society
Gourd Drum: Chet Clark
Head Man: Victor Fry
Head Woman: Jahanna Fry

NO DOGS, DRUGS, ALCOHOL OR WEAPONS ALLOWED
To Reserve your Vendor Space call: Abbey Ozkan at 918-409-5010
For more information Call: Nick Hall at 541-659-0309

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK AT ROGUE VALLEY POWWOW
Any food donations for the Feast will be gladly accepted!



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR SET UP, CLEAN UP, HELP IN THE FOOD BOOTH

CALL TERESE HALL: 541-295-5606

Recycled Raft Race

Homemade Rafts Race down the Illinois River
125 yds during Hathkapasuta River Celebration
June 21, 2025 at Illinois River Forks State Park

2 Divisions: Adults- 16 & over Youth- 10 to 15



Categories: most unique, funniest, fastest etc. for both divisions. This event is about ingenuity, creativity and most of all FUN!

Rules: Rafts must be handmade. Floats can be small inner tubes, water jugs, capped PVC pipes, barrels etc. Use your imagination! **No large inner tubes, tahitis etc.** Paddles & oars only. 1 or 2 riders allowed; torso must be above water. Life jackets must be worn.

Sign up and line up at 3:00pm to the left of the pavilion.

Free and open to the public

Call Jill Talise at 541-415-6699 for questions

Hathkapasuta is a sponsor-funded event hosted by the Cultural & Ecological Enhancement Network (CEEN)

Traditional drummers, dancers, singers, and vendors welcome

- Traditional artwork
- Crafts and Jewelry
- No tobacco sales

Dry camp only. No electric, water, or RV hookups.

Water will be provided during the event.

No alcohol, drugs, or weapons allowed

MASTER OF CEREMONIES
Bob Tom, Grand Ronde

HOST DRUM
Steiger Butte, Klamath Tribe

HEAD WOMAN DANCER
Crystal Ansuere, Cow Creek Umpqua

ARENA DIRECTOR
Alan Mata, Cow Creek Umpqua

MORE INFORMATION:

Lottie Hamrick (541) 643-4814
Tammy Anderson (541) 672-3861
Teri Hansen [Text] (541) 821-4893
Jacob Ansuere (541) 630-0486



47TH ANNUAL COW CREEK TRIBAL POW WOW

FRIDAY, JULY 18

Set up - Salmon Dinner 6 PM

SATURDAY, JULY 19

Pow Wow - Grand Entry 7 PM
(No meal provided)

SUNDAY, JULY 20

Raffle 10 AM
Breakdown and clean up

SOUTH UMPQUA FALLS
Campground at Tiller, Oregon

56th Annual Pi-Ume-Sha Treaty Days Pow Wow June 27, 28 & 29, 2025



170 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS CULTURE



ALL DANCERS & SINGERS INVITED

Thursday 6/26/25 6pm -
Memorials/New Joiners/Re-joiners

GRAND ENTRY TIMES

Friday 6/27/25 7pm
Saturday 6/28/25 1 & 7pm
Sunday 6/29/25 1pm

MC: Carlos Calica
Whipman: Ray "Captain" Moody

SPECIALS

- Cassie Katchia Shell Dress Special
- 60+ Short Fringe Special
- "Miss Pi-Ume-Sha Girls" (ages 7-11) Traditional Special
- Men's Round Bustle Special
- Team Dance Special
- 3 Man Old Style Hand Drum Special
- "Miller Family" Hoop Dance Special
- E.J. Denny Grass Dance Special (All Ages)
- Jingle Dress Special

FOR MORE INFORMATION

TRADITIONAL DRESS PARADE
Rainona Cresnie-Raez
541-460-0077

RODEO
Alfredine Smith
541-460-3257

VENDOR COORDINATION
Sharon Katchia
541-295-6046

STICK GAME TOURNAMENT
Vanessa Knight-Crane
541-460-0103

POW WOV CHAIRMAN
Gorkey Mitchell
41-323-2968

POW WOV INFO
Cyrille Mitchell
541-460-0241



THIS IS A DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT

Pow Wow Committee is Not Responsible for Theft, Damage, or Stolen Items

48th Annual South Umpqua Falls Traditional Intertribal Pow Wow

South Umpqua Falls is 45 miles East of I-5 at Exit 99
Canyonville Or.

All Drummers & Dancers
are welcome!

Hand Drum Contest Friday @ 7pm
July 25th, 26th & 27th
Grand Entry Sat @ 6:30pm

Culture Classes
Saturday 10 am to 2pm

4th Annual Bones Gambling
Tournament
Bring your Bets! (no Money)
Saturday 11am

Raffle
Sunday 10am

Alvaro Kepokamaztli Tellez & The Aztec Dancers

Master of Ceremonies David Rudder
Arena Director Allan Mata
Head Man Earl Huitt
Head Woman Echo Miller
Host Drum Elk Thunder
PowWow Chairwoman Tabbitha Mataya Site #18

*Zero Tolerance For Drugs & Alcohol
*Bring Drinking Water
*Open Camping- Left Field Only
*All other Campsites are RESERVED
*Fires ONLY in Provided Fire Rings
*All Dogs Must Be On Leashes
*Campers Must Clean Up After Themselves
*All Trash Goes Into Big Yellow Dumpster

For Vendor Information, Contact Christy Huse 541-580-2795

S.Umpqua Falls Traditional Pow wow is a 501 (C) (3) Organized entirely by Donation

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YOUTUBE: SOESD STAFF TRAINING VIDEOS

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for free, 24/7 support.

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