

Indian Education Program

Anchorage School District

April - May 2005 Bulletin Updates and Information
For Parents and Students K through 12



Service High School and Native Community Welcome IEP Community Counselor

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On March 14, 2005, Service High School celebrated and welcomed its first Indian Education Community Counselor, Rachel Hoover.

Several Native leaders and dance groups showed their support. Nelson Angapak, Vice President of Alaska Federation of Natives and Mary Marks, ASD School Board member were among the guest speakers.

Principal Lou Pondolfino said, "We were honored to have such guest speakers. I know their words made an impression on our (SHS) community." The Fireweed Dancers performed, and Principal Pondolfino added that many

Native leaders and elders from the community attended.

The students played a big role in making the position become a reality. Hoover said she has been working with students to shape the program, and they are modeling what East and West High Schools have done. Principal Poldolfino said, "We are fortunate to have Rachel's talent, energy and compassion. She is off to a remarkable start." Hoover, who is Aleut and hails from Port Graham, intends to start a culture club and to add classes next year.

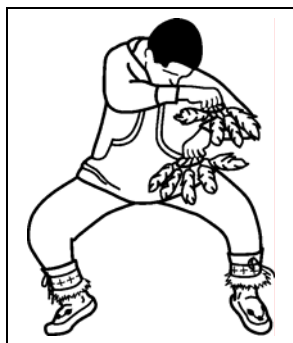


Service High School Principal, Lou Pondolfino, with Shane Michael, Sara Keech, Kimberly Kirkman, Shannon Hawkins, Chad Shade, Rachel Hoover (Indian Ed Counselor), Jerry Osborne

West High School Comm. Counselor Sends a Note to Students

"Club is raising money to send 10 students to the Gathering of Nations next year."

~ Glenna Maulding



Alaska Native Ways ... What our Elders have taught us.

*Accept what life brings ~ You cannot control many things.
~ Aleut*

I hope all of you from West High had a good spring break. We have only nine weeks with you until the end of this year. We will hold another annual awards ceremony at the end of this year. We will combine it with the picnic that we hold during the last week of school. This year students will be called out of class to participate. Students must have permission from their teachers if they have classes outside the Cove.

On another note, Club has been active during the months of February and March. Club will continue to

be busy in April. We are fundraising to take 10 students to the *Gathering of Nations* next year. One of our big events is a PowWow/Gathering here at West High in the Gym. There will be dancing, of course, and we are going to auction-off wrapped surprise items that will be fun for everyone. The date and time will be announced soon - we will look forward to seeing you there.

All for now,

Glenna C. Kiana Maulding

IEP Community Counselor, West High

Preview of Summer School Programs - Be on Target with Your Summer Plans!

Indian Education Program - 742-4445

Summer Enrichment Program - July 20 - Aug. 24, Monday - Friday, 1:00 - 5:30 pm, Grades 1-8. Denali Elementary School - Activities include: Two Native Languages, Physical Wellness, Reading/Writing, Cultural Activities, Computer Lab

ASD Traditional Summer School - www.asdk12.org/summer/Elementary - June 20 - July 28. For students K-6 needing help in reading, writing or math - contact school or the office of Elementary Education 742-4254

Middle School - Two Week Summer Enrichment Camp, Six Week Summer Institute, or Full-day Remediation. Contact your School for dates/times of Parent Informational Nights

High School - High School summer school is scheduled for June 22 - July 29. For more information contact High School Education at 907-742-4256. ASD Web site WWW.asdk12.org/summer/

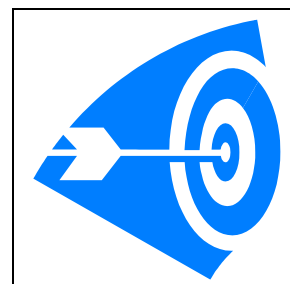
Cook Inlet Tribal Council - 297-2000

Summer Youth Employment Program - on Site training for youth 14-21 years.

Summer School Program - TBA

Title I Schools

Elementary Program - July 5 - August 4
For grades K-5. Williwaw Elementary School. Contact 742-4254 Elem. Ed.



Multicultural Class for Educators

Indian Education Program Director Doreen Brown teamed up with former Director Edna Lamebulla to offer a course, *Multicultural Studies for Alaska's Teachers* (3 cr., UAA). The course fulfills the necessary multicultural credits for new and continuing teachers in the state.

Brown said the course featured many guest speakers from the Native, African-American, Phillipino, Korean, and Hispanic communities. "These speakers told them about their own childhood

educational experiences," Brown said. "This information is not available in books, and it was very powerful for the teachers."

The course presented good insight to the representative cultures in the Anchorage School District, providing more resources and tools for better instruction. One teacher commented, "I enjoyed the panelists who came to share with us. Their perspectives have changed my perceptions and caused me to examine my communication."

The course will be offered again.

Many Thanks!

Special thank you goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Elsenbast for donating food and supplies to our students at East High School.

Close-up Washington DC Program

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EVENING PROGRAM CELEBRATES

IEP's Evening Program ends On **May 19** and will close out the year with a

Summer Kick-off Celebration

Frybread - Literacy - NYO -
Parent Info - Cultural Activities
Info on Indian Ed. Summer



Programs. Come to join the fun!

May 19 6:15 - 8:15 pm North Star Elementary

Native Youth Olympics

May 5, 6, 7, 2005

Sullivan Arena

Anchorage, Alaska

Sponsored by

Cook Inlet Tribal Council

For information

Contact

Courtney Sullivan

297-1772

SUPPORT YOUR TEAM!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT EAST HIGH

PRIMETIME ENTERTAINMENT

April 22, 2005, 7:00pm, East High Auditorium
Featuring Apache hope Tewa Comedian Drew Lacapa
And Motivational Speakers, Earl Keggulluk Poke, Jr.
and John and Andrei of Inga For Real
Special Performance by ANHC Student All-Stars

COMMUNITY GATHERING

April 23, 2005, 4:30-7:00pm, East High
Community Celebration and Student Forum
INFO: Alaska Native Heritage Center 330-8027 or
www.alaskanative.net



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April - May Highlights

April 11-14: Parent Conferences Week.

April 15: State released In-Service Day.

April 19: NAC Meeting, 6:15 - 8:15 p.m. Guest speaker Erik Tollefsen, HR Executive Director, speaking on ASD Hiring

Procedures.

April 22: Primetime Entertainment, East High, 7:00 pm, sponsored by the Alaska Native Heritage Center 330-8027

April 23: Community Gathering, East High, sponsored by the Alaska

Native Heritage Center, 330-8027.

May 19: Evening Program Celebrates last day and Summer Program Kick-off 6:15-8:15 pm North Star Elementary

May 30: Memorial Day Holiday

Next Issue will come out in May-June 2005

Graduation dates vary from school to school. Be sure to check the ASD calendar.

Grads, if you haven't done so already, now is the time to get those college applications turned in to the school

of your choice. Be sure to get applications in to prospective employers for seasonal or full-time jobs.

About The Indian Education Program . . .

The Indian Education Program of the Anchorage School District has staff in 50 schools within the district. The program concentrates its efforts in three areas: academic assistance, counseling, and cultural enrichment. Unfortunately, there is not enough funding to place staff in every school. However, if you or your child is interested in participating in activities, please call our offices at 742-4445. The Indian Education Resource Room is located at 1016 West 6th Ave., Anchorage.