

TITLE VII Newsletter

Right: Flossie Spencer from Big Brothers, Big Sisters Alaska teaches students Native Values and Inupiaq language at our Evening Program.



Join us for our College Fair! 01/14/12



Join us as Title VII Indian Education presents its first Alaska Native and American Indian College Scholarship and Fair on January 14th, 2012! Junior and senior high school students and their parents or guardians are welcome to attend. We will have sessions on the following:

- Scholarship searches

- College applications
 - Scholarship essays & portfolios
 - Financial aide
 - The Alaska Performance Scholarship
 - Science & Technology
 - Nursing
- Representatives will be available from the Alaska Native Medical Center, the Alaska Native

Tribal Health Consortium, the Alyeska Pipeline, BP, Cook Inlet Tribal Council, UAA, and of course, ASD to talk with students. The Fair will be held in the ASD Education Center at 5530 E Northern Lights Blvd. Please contact our Project Manager, Josephine Edwards-Vollertsen, with any questions at 742.4872. See you there!

Important Meeting Dates [Public Hearings]

Marilyn Balluta, Administrative Assistant

The Native Advisory Committee members would like to invite all parents/guardians and teachers of Alaska Native and American Indian students in the Anchorage School District to attend Public Forums Part I and II for the 2012 Title VII Formula Grant application Process.

PUBLIC FORUM PART I:
ASD Assessment & Evaluation will present current academic data on Native Students.
Thursday, February 23rd, 2011
ASD Education Center, Board Room
5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd

PUBLIC FORUM PART II:
Assist with developing programs for Native students for the Title VII 2012-2013 formula grant.
Thursday, March 24th, 2011
ASD Education Center, Board Room
5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd

Parents can submit comments online at asdk12.org/depts/IndED.

If you have any question,s please call our Office at 742-4445.

Evening Program [Update]

Lauren Shutt, Cultural Enrichment Specialist

Thank you to everyone who attended our Evening Program this semester and helped to make it a success! We had the pleasure of hosting weekly guest speakers, in addition to our regular language classes (Yup'ik, Tlingit, Unangax, and Gwich'in Athabascan), a Native Values class, art for younger and older students, open gym, and of course, homework help and academic skill building. We had

lessons in Eskimo dancing from Mary Youngers every week! It was a privilege to get to know all the parents and students who attended.

Next semester, the Evening Program will be going through some changes. We will still be offering regular homework help, but our cultural enrichment outreach will be offered on a monthly basis at rotating school sites, so we can reach students all over Anchorage. Stay tuned for more information, or contact Lauren at shutt_lauren@asdk12.org or 742.7867.

We are always looking for volunteers! If you're interested in sharing your talents, teaching a skill, or just helping with the kids, get in touch with us! We'd love to have you.

Project Puqigtut [Update]

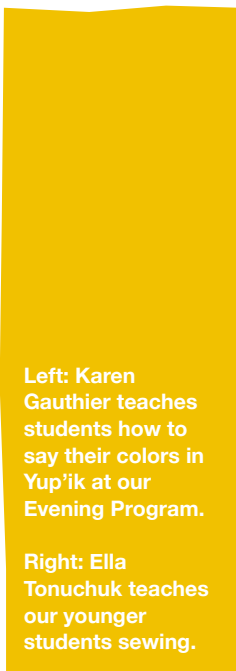
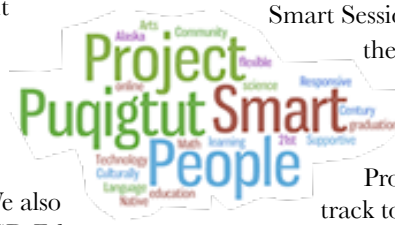
Karen Phillip, Project Manager

Project Puqigtut is now accepting applications for the Spring 2012 semester. We offer Algebra I, A & B, World & US History, AK Studies, and English 9 & 10. Don't have internet access or a computer? We can help. We loan out computers to our students and can provide internet keys so you can work on your Puqigtut classes at home. We have study sessions called Smart Sessions Monday through Thursday at various high schools. We also have Super Smart Sessions at the ASD Ed Center every other Tuesday 4-7 PM with the course teachers available to help you. Don't have a ride? We

can help with that too. Alaska Native and American Indian students can ask their high school counselors about Project P or apply online at <http://www.asdk12.org/depts/IndEd/projects/puqigtut/>

Project Puqigtut students also can participate in field trips to King Career Center, Job Corp or as we did in November to UAA. We occasionally have guest speakers come to our Super Smart Sessions to talk with our students. At the end of each semester we have a potluck to celebrate course completion.

Project Puqigtut can help you get on-track to graduate or help improve you GPA by re-taking a class with us and replacing a low grade. Graduate from high school with the help of Project P.



Left: Karen Gauthier teaches students how to say their colors in Yup'ik at our Evening Program.

Right: Ella Tonuchuk teaches our younger students sewing.

mark your calendars!	december	january	february
<p>Take note of these important upcoming dates!</p>	<p>16 End of Second Quarter, State Released Inservice Day</p>	<p>3 Winter break ends, ASD Administration offices open.</p>	<p>15-16 Parent Conferences</p>
	<p>19 Winter Break begins!</p>	<p>16 MLK Holiday</p>	<p>16 Elizabeth Peratrovich Day</p>
	<p>23 ASD Administration offices closed through January 2nd.</p>		<p>17 State Released Inservice Day</p> <p>20 Presidents Day</p>



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NAC Dates:

January 19th, 2012

6:30-8:30 PM, Orange Room

February 23rd, 2012

6:30-8:30 PM, Board Room

The ASD Education Center is located at 5530 E Northern

>> A Note about our 506 Form

Did you receive a Title VII eligibility 506 form in the mail for a student in November? If so, then that student was missing his/her eligibility 506 form for ASD Title VII Indian Education. We appreciate the effort you made to complete the form and mail it back. Every eligible form counts toward the funding of Title VII programs for next year. If you have questions about your student's eligibility for Title VII program services, please call me at 742-4449. Thank you again to the many parents and guardians who responded.

Elders & Youth Conference 2011 [Update]

Thank you to all who worked hard to make AFN this year a success! Especially our Elders & Youth Conference! We were able to bring 143 middle & high school students (plus chaperones), and students were able to fully participate, gaining first-hand experience through important dialogue, speakers, and workshops. We look forward to everyone's participation next year!

What is the NAC?

Good question! NAC stands for "Native Advisory Committee". The stated purpose of the committee is to review and make recommendations to the Title VII Indian Education Program and to the School Board relating to the education of Alaska Native/Native American students K through 12 districtwide.

Title VII has a blog!

ASDTitleVII.blogspot.com

To give educators easier access to all of the great resources that Title VII has to offer, we are pleased to announce the launch of our “Cultural Enrichment Corner” blog! You can visit us at ASDTitleVII.blogspot.com. We will be uploading articles, multimedia, and lesson plans that address culturally responsive classroom practices and Alaska Native history and culture. Please pass our web address along to your child’s teacher and school!

You can get our blog updates right in your inbox! Just go to the blog site, enter your email address in the sidebar under “subscribe”, and voilà! If you have something you would like to share on the blog, or if you are interested in becoming a contributor, please email shutt_lauren@asdk12.org or call 742.7867.



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Rochelle Adams,
our Gwich'in
Athabascan
teacher, shows off
student projects
at our Evening
Program.

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