

HPUL Education Newsletter



Announcements-Higher Education



On behalf of the HPUL Education Center we would like to recognize HPUL Tribal Member December Snow who completed the requirements for the Practical Nursing Program from Northwest Mississippi Community College on December 11, 2020!



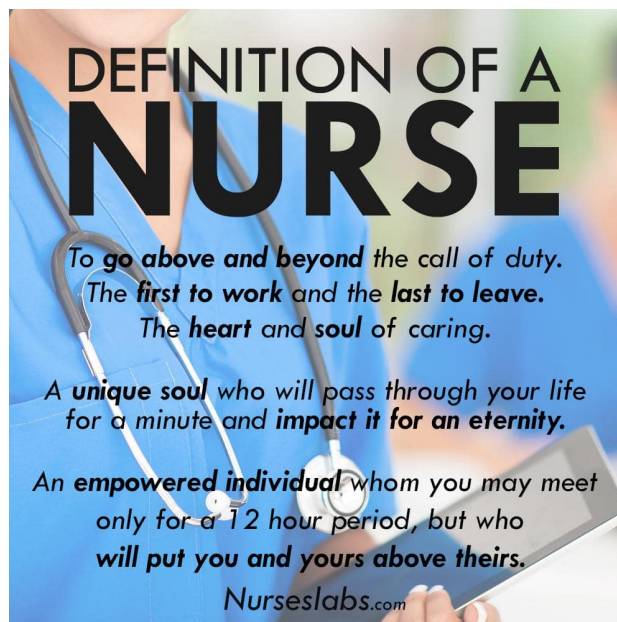
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Right now, health care workers are putting their lives on the front line to help people affected by the COVID-19 virus! Don't forget to thank them, they are our super heroes!

On behalf of the HPUL Education Center we could like to congratulate December on her heroic accomplishment and thank her for her heroic service!



Youth Program-Star Award

If you know of a deserving youth, please submit an application on their behalf! Previously, these programs were only awarded to youth attending the Education Center. The Super Youth Awards services **ALL** HPUL Youth K-12th grades. This new program combines the Heart, Star and Student of the Month into one program which extends to all HPUL Tribal Youth residing inside and outside our local area. Youth may be recognized for any of the following categories (1 category per academic year):

Star Award-Chosen for "out of this world effort" (i.e. making the team, good grades, or trying their best).

Heart Award-Chosen for "random acts of kindness" (i.e. showing compassion, playing nice, or giving a helping hand).

Youth of the Month-Chosen for "personal growth" (i.e. self-improvement, leadership, or sportsmanship).

Awardees will receive a \$20.00 Amazon gift card. All submissions will be recognized in the HPUL Education Newsletter. To apply, parents, guardians, or relatives must submit a Super Youth application with a photo of the youth to the Education Staff or via the Tribe's website on the member portal (hpultribe-nsn.gov) All submissions are due by or before the 25th of each month with the exception of holidays. If you have any questions, please contact the Education Center as we are happy to assist you!

Announcements-Youth Event



On December 4, 2020 the HPUL Education Center held a Gingerbread House Drive Up Thru Event servicing 50 youth! HPUL Tribal Member Sophie Siracuse-Jackson sent us pictures and the cutest video of her decorating her Gingerbread House entitled "Santa's Gingerbread Workshop!"

Youth Announcements-Karate

Karate students display their rank by their color of their belt. Recently, pictured from left to right, Talisua Niko, Rudy Brown, Presley Niko and Samuel Ambrecht advanced in their training and switched their belts out from white to yellow! Congratulations boys, keep up the great work! As we know karate takes great discipline!

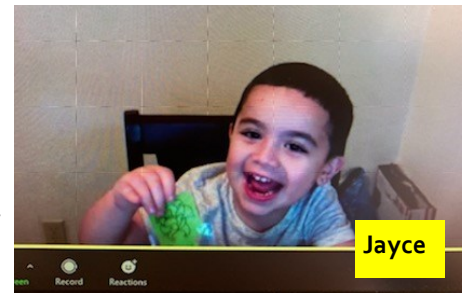
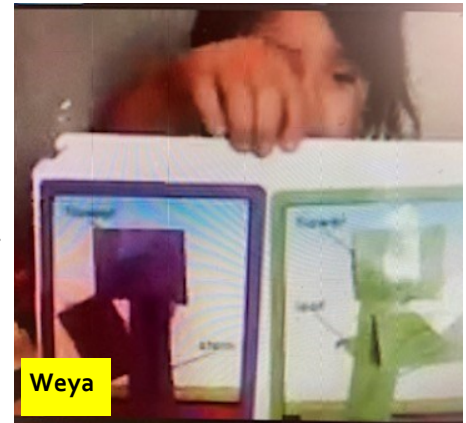


Youth Announcements-ECEP Show Case

The HPUL Education Center would like to show off "Plant Parts Activity" artwork from both HPUL Youth Members (top to bottom) Weya Niko and Jayce Ramos. Both Weya and Jayce participate in the Tribe's Educational Virtual Program where they are able to share weekly projects with other students and teachers Joy & Mike.

Parents, please send a picture of your preschooler holding their favorite project, activity or worksheet to showcase it in the upcoming monthly newsletters. We would love to see what they are working on!

We are hoping your preschooler is enjoying their monthly HPUL activity packets as much as we are enjoying creating them! Remember, make them your own, be creative and most of all have fun!



Distance Learning-HPUL ECE Virtual Program

The Early Childhood Education Program has been revamped into a Virtual Program which became available through distance learning via Zoom to all HPUL preschool aged youth (3-5). All youth receive a monthly HPUL packet. Packets include both Parent and Teacher instruction. Parents along with preschoolers will have the option to join us for virtual instruction on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Areas of development will include science, math, art, motor skills (gross & fine), and language. Subject areas will include colors, shapes, numbers, letter recognition, association and sound. Additional resources will include Alpha Buddies, story time, sharing, interactive activities and virtual socialization. Parents interested in the distance learning via Zoom can obtain an Acknowledge of Terms Form and Virtual Registration Application on the Tribe's new website on the member portal (hpultribe-nsn.gov) or upon request. Please look for the Zoom link on your preschoolers packet (the one with the monthly calendar)! In addition, please check your emails for the Zoom invites. If you are not receiving the Zoom invite and would like to do so, please be sure to contact the Education staff so that we can include you on upcoming meetings (staff contacts cited on page 8)!



Distance Learning-After School Tutoring Program



Parents, we are here to support you and your youth during this pandemic. The Tribe's After School Tutoring Program will tutor students K-12th grade via Zoom Monday through Thursday during 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Registration is required and students will be scheduled accordingly. Applications are available on the Tribe's new website or upon request. Please note, slots will be limited, therefore, they will be offered on a first come first served basis. We will do our absolute best to keep students academically enriched.

Please note, the HPUL Education Center will be open from 2-5:00 p.m. daily for those students who are receiving onsite learning at their local school district ONLY. Due to the fluidity of this pandemic, this may change at anytime due to state and local guidelines. Please note, shall the student's school district resort back to the distance learning option, the HPUL Education Center will follow suit and onsite tutoring at the center will no longer be available, to minimize the risk to all students and staff.

Keeping students safe is our priority! Due to the pandemic, a mandatory health check is required for everyone before entering the Education Center premises. In addition, all adults and unregistered students are not allowed inside classrooms or offices to minimize the risk. To protect each other, all attending students will be required to wear a face mask at all times (except when eating or drinking) while onsite and will be exercising social distancing from other households. Students will be grouped together by households, then by school districts (as we serve 3 local school districts). We will ensure cohort groups will remain the same and will not intermix. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding!

The HPUL Education Center is diligently working to follow CDC guidelines to ensure safety for all students, staff and families. Please bare with us as operations, protocols, and guidelines change daily. We will keep you updated as much as possible. Please feel free to reach out to us for any questions or concerns and we will do our best to assist you.

Lastly, the HPUL Education Center is looking for qualified tutors to be paid if interested in tutoring middle and high school students in areas of math and science. Payment can be provided through the Tribe's Tutoring and Pre-School Tuition Reimbursement/Advancement Program. Please call the Education Center for further details.

Education Department Programs & Services

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1. Adult Education Program (AEP) services ages 18-24, assists in obtaining your GED or high school diploma and applying for a HPUL Scholarship. Point of contact Michael Y. Marcks, Education Coordinator.
2. After School Tutoring Program services ages K-12th grade, operates Monday thru Thursday onsite for students who are registered at their school district for onsite learning option only. **Application Required.**
3. After School Virtual Tutoring Program services ages K-12th grade, operates Monday thru Thursday via Zoom for students who are registered at their school district for the distance learning option only. **Application Required.**
4. Apprentice Program, youth employment opportunity, services ages 12-18 and operates during the summer break. Point of Contact Joy Marcks, Education Director
5. Back to School Gift Cards services ages Pre-K thru 12th grade.
6. Bake Sale Fundraiser all proceeds go towards HPUL youth/education. **DUE TO SIP ORDER WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING DONATIONS AT THIS TIME.**
7. Creative Communication Poetry & Art Contest for assistance with entry submissions, contact Joy Marcks, Education Director.
8. College Bound Program for financial assistance up to \$1,500 per academic year for associated costs (application, test prep, standardized testing, and consultation fees) **Application & Receipt Required.** Point of contact Michael Y. Marcks, Education Coordinator.
9. Computer Lab-Onsite Use **DUE TO SIP ORDER AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.**
10. Cultural Teachings (aka Youth Storytelling; notice of future classes will be forthcoming with instructor, Thomas Brown) **DUE TO SIP ORDER CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**
11. Early Childhood Education Program **DUE TO SIP ORDER ONSITE INSTRUCTION CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE;** Early Childhood Education Virtual Program; operates during the school year on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; (preschool ages 3-5)
12. Education Graduation Incentive Program Stipends awarded to 8th grade, high school, GED, Associates, Bachelors, Masters, Law and PHD graduates, and certificate, vocational and trade certifications. **Application & Credential Submission Required.**
13. Educational Clothing Allowance Program (ECAP), annual awards are as follows: \$100.00 for preschoolers, \$200.00 for K-5th grade students, \$250.00 for 6-8th grade students and \$300.00 for 9-12th grade students annually. **Application & Receipt Required.**
14. Easter Seals Assessments & Referrals (service ages: birth up to 5) Point of contact Joy Marcks, HPUL Education Director
15. Gymnastics Program effective 8/28/20 during the school year: **DUE TO SIP ORDER CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**
16. Higher Education Program (HEP), services high school juniors & seniors for college readiness assistance: SAT, ACT, FAFSA, Registration, Orientation, HPUL Housing Assistance & Referrals, HPUL Scholarship Assistance & Referrals, Letters of Recommendation. Point of contact Michael Y. Marcks, Education Coordinator.
17. Higher Education Grade Incentive Program (HEGIP) Students are capped at \$200 for full time students & \$100 for part time students. **Application & Report Card Submission Required.**
18. Imagination Library Program (service ages: 0-5); 1 complimentary pre-selected age appropriate library book a month. Point of contact Joy Marcks, Education Director
19. Leadership Program (service age: 6th-12th grade); the HPUL Education Center recruits HPUL Tribal Youth to partake in leadership programs. Point of contact, Joy Marcks, Education Director. **Application, Essay & Current Report Card All Required.**

Education Department Programs & Services Offered

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20. Literacy Enrichment Program awards 2 youth per school year a \$50 Visa gift card as follows: 1 award for most outstanding (above grade level) and 1 award for being the most improved reader (from beginning to end of the school year). Awardees will be determined based on a collaboration of the Education Staff, report card data and teachers' input. **End of year report submission required.**
21. MoTiVaTeD! Program is designed to encourage youth to strive for individual academic progress or improvement. This program operates only during the school year. HPUL students must submit their **end of the year school report card** to the HPUL Education Center in order to be eligible. The student with the most academic progress or improvement over the course of this school year will be awarded a \$50 Visa gift card categories cover: elementary, middle school and high school.
22. Overachiever's Program is designed to encourage academic success. Youth, pre-school through 12th grade need to submit a copy of all 100% test scores acquired during the school year, the student with most accumulated tests will receive a \$50 Visa gift card while the student with the highest-grade point average (GPA) will also receive a \$50 Visa gift card. Students with a GPA will need to **submit a copy of their end of the year report card to the HPUL Education Staff** to be eligible.
23. Pomo Language Class seeking class instructor flexible to virtual style lessons; \$100 stipend per class. Please contact Joy Marcks, Education Director for further information.
24. Reward Writing and Phonics Program (operates during the school year; school year start date to end date). Initially, this program serviced registered youth who attend the HPUL Education Center however **PLEASE NOTE THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO ALL HPUL TRIBAL YOUTH** with a points system that focuses on literacy building skills such as phonics, decoding words and vocabulary. The youth completing the most lessons, will be awarded a \$50 Visa gift card. Parents can contact, the Education Staff for questions/information or to sign up their youth. Grade level packets available upon request. **PLEASE NOTE THIS PROGRAM WAS UNDERUTILIZED AND MIGHT NOT BE OFFERED NEXT YEAR IF LACK OF PARTICIPATION CONTINUES.**
25. Student Grade Incentive Program services ages: K-12th grades. Stipends capped at \$60 for elementary, \$75 for middle school and \$100 for high school. **Application & Report Card Submissions Required.**
26. Summer Program 2021 (service age: K-12th grades)
27. Summer Reading Program services ages 0-18. Categories/stipends for top readers: 0-5 \$25, elementary \$50, middle school \$75 and high school \$100.
28. Super Youth Award services K-12 grades. Three possible categories: Star Award-chosen for "out of this world effort" (i.e. making the team, good grades, or trying your best); Heart Award-chosen for "random acts of kindness" (i.e. showing compassion, playing nice, or giving a helping hand); and Youth of the Month-chosen for "personal growth" (i.e. self-improvement, leadership, or sportsmanship). Youth are eligible to be awarded 1 once per school year per category and will receive a \$20.00 Amazon gift card. **Application and Photo Required**; submissions due the 25th of each month.
29. Traditional Pomo Dance for Youth; last instructor Yvonne Quintero; 1 class per month; no set schedule yet (\$50 instructor stipend per class). **DUE TO SIP ORDER CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**
30. Tutoring and Pre-School Tuition Reimbursement/Advancement Program services ages: 3-24. Offset tutoring/tuition costs up to \$200.00 per month. **Application & Progress Report Required.**
31. Y.E.S. (Youth Empowerment & Support) Program services ages 5th-12th grade in separate groups, middle school & high school, 8-week onsite course. **DUE TO SIP ORDER CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

Applications available on the Tribe's new website at hpultribe-nsn.gov

HPUL Seven Generations Scholarship Fund (SGSF)

- Higher Education
 - ⇒ \$20,000.00 4-year College or University
 - ⇒ \$5,000.00 2-year Junior/Community/City College
- Vocational/Trade School-\$10,000.00
- Adult Education-\$3,000.00
- Youth Education-\$1,000.00 (TK-8th Grades)
- Youth Education-\$1,250.00 (9-12th Grades)
- Pre-Elementary-\$500.00 Maximum per Cycle
- Educational Electronic Device/Peripherals \$1,500.00
- To submit an application visit the Tribe's new website at hpultribe-nsn.gov or the tribal office
- Point of Contact Scholarship Fund Selec-

tion Committee (SFSC):

scholarship@hpultribe-nsn.gov

- Upcoming SGSF Meeting Dates to be announced.
- Application Submissions Deadline 2 working days prior to scheduled SFSC meetings by 11a.m to SFSC or the tribal office.

"There are no such things as limits to growth, because there are no limits to the human capacity for intelligence, imagination and wonder." -Ronald Reagan



LUSD-Native American Advisory Council

The Lakeport Unified School District holds monthly Native American Advisory Council (NAAC) meetings for the school administration, tribal representatives, youth advocates and parents/guardians monthly.

Parents/guardians interested in attending monthly meeting virtually or for further information, please contact Jill Falconer, LUSD Superintendent at jfalconer@lakeport.k12.ca.us

ULUSD-Native American Action Committee

Upper Lake School District holds monthly Native American Advisory Council (NAAC) meetings for the administration, tribal representatives, youth advocates and parents/guardians. This committee meets the 3rd Friday of every month from 8:15-9:15 a.m. For a Zoom invite, please contact Joy Marcks, HPUL Education Director at jmarcks@hpultribe-nsn.gov

RESOURCES

County of Lake Health Services

Lake County CA Coronavirus Response

Discover the latest resources, maps and information about the coronavirus (COVID -19) outbreak in your community:

lake-co-ca-coronavirus-response-lakecoca.hub.arcgis.com



Verily's Project Baseline

Coronavirus testing information:

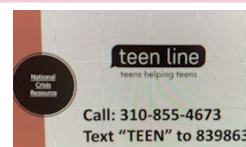
<https://www.projectbaseline.com/covid-19>

As a friendly reminder and a precaution, we would like to remind parents and guardians to refrain from sending youth to the HPUL Education Center if your child exhibits any cold or flu like symptoms. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Crisis Help Lines

Teens Helping Teens

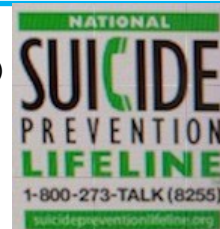
Call: 310-855-4673 or
text "TEEN" to 839863



The Trevor Project for
LGBTQ Teens (24/7) Call 1
-866-488-7386 or text
"START" to 678678



National Suicide Prevention
Lifeline 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
or text "HELLO" to 741741



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