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A Common Thread: Students supplied

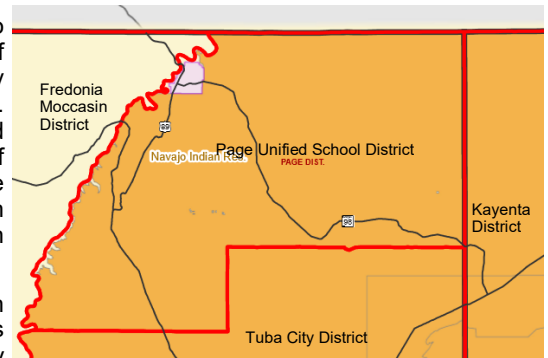
Often behind the scenes but sometimes in the limelight, our Indian Education Program is working hard to ensure that our Navajo children have equal access to all programs, services, and activities offered in Page Unified School District. By assisting and funding services for Navajo children in the classroom, all students in our school district benefit from their hard work.

Have you been by B building on the Page High School (PHS) campus to visit the smiling faces of Elouise Goatson and Evonne Yazzie, the director and secretary of our Indian Education Program, respectively? Funded primarily by the Johnson O'Malley (JOM) Act of 1934 which provides money to school districts educating Native American children, especially in rural areas, our Indian

Education Program also receives funding from Title VII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and Impact Aid. The JOM Act also decreased involvement with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and increased the ability of Native American parents to provide input in school district decision making.

To that end, the Indian Education Council (IEC) was formed to serve as the duly recognized body of PUSD to make sure that the needs of Navajo students are being met, to provide advisory input on programs that might affect Navajo children, approve proper distribution of funds, as well as provide oversight of the use of funds in the Indian Education Program. Our IEC serves over 2,000 students from the surrounding Navajo Reservation communities of Gap/Bodaway, Cedar Ridge, Bittersprings, Coppermine, LeChee, Kaibeto, and Ts'ah bii kin, as well as the town of Page.

These programs fund Reading Specialists, tutoring, Navajo Language classes, student enrichment and cultural heritage awareness activities like our District Culture Night last month. Ms. Goatson is our wonderful liaison to the reservation communities in coordinating programs like Navajo



School Clothing and parental cost assistance such as eyeglass and school supplies purchases. You'll see her out and about providing updates, organizing paperwork and audits, and preparing other details to assist the IEC. Our Indian Education Office works hard to improve the educational opportunities of our Navajo students and, in doing so, enriches the learning environment for all of our PUSD students.

The IEC meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Green Hogan at PHS. Everyone is welcome to attend. Check the calendar at www.pageschools.org for date/time changes.

Representatives are Stanley John Jr. (Page), Karen Barney (Bodaway/Gap), Desiree Fowler (Coppermine), Debrahe Boone (Kaibeto), Mitchell Dayzie (Ts'ah bii kin), and Renee Tsosie (LeChee).



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Find out FAST on Facebook!

- Lake View Primary School Eagles: 154 likes
- Desert View Intermediate Bobcats: 106 likes
- Page Middle School Panthers: 233 likes
- Page High School Sand Devils: 2,356 likes
- Manson Mesa High School Falcons: 19 likes
- Page Unified School District: 140 likes



You can make Arizona send money to Page Schools

The Arizona Tax Credit Donation is the ultimate win-win for taxpayers and schools alike. You simply direct the State of Arizona to send some of the tax money you are already paying to go to the AZ school of your choice.

Simply go to the front office of any Page school to pick up an Arizona Tax Credit Donation form or go to www.pageschools.org to print one out. Send in a

check along with the form and then you get to subtract that amount of money off the bottom line of your Arizona taxes. It is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in the amount of taxes you'll owe in April.

Single filers can donate up to \$200 and Married-filing-

jointly can donate up to \$400. You can specify which club or sport you'd like to support. Any AZ taxpayer can donate! Talk to your grandma in Phoenix and auntie in Chinle! Remember the deadline is December 31, 2015 to qualify for this tax year.

**Mail in
your check
before
December
31st!**

This is an easy way to support our local schools. It's not a new tax or override or bond. It's simply Arizona taxpayers telling the state to send their tax money to our schools.

Page Unified School District Tax Credit Accounts

Page High School

Athletics
Auto Mechanics
Avid
Band
Baseball
Boys Basketball
Boys Soccer
Boys Tennis
Building Trades
Choir
Color Guard
Comptia
Cross Country
Drum Line
Fine Arts
Football
General Fund
Girls Basketball
Girls Soccer
Girls Tennis

Golf
Graphic Arts
Health Occupations
Honor Society
Navajo Language
Orchestra
Science
Service Learning
Softball
Spanish
Spirit Squad
Track
Unity
Upward Bound
Vocational
Volleyball
Welding
Wrestling
Youth Transition

Page Middle School

Athletics
Fine Arts
Field Trips
General Fund
Band
Orchestra
Science

Lake View Elementary

Athletics
Field Trips
Fine Arts
General Fund
Kindergarten

Desert View Elementary

Field Trips
Fine Arts
General Fund
Navajo Culture

District

McKinney Vento
Preschool
Special Olympics

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Page High: 434 S. Lake Powell Blvd. — (928) 608-4138
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Sandra Kidman, Member
Delores McKerry, Member
Jocelyn Beard, Member

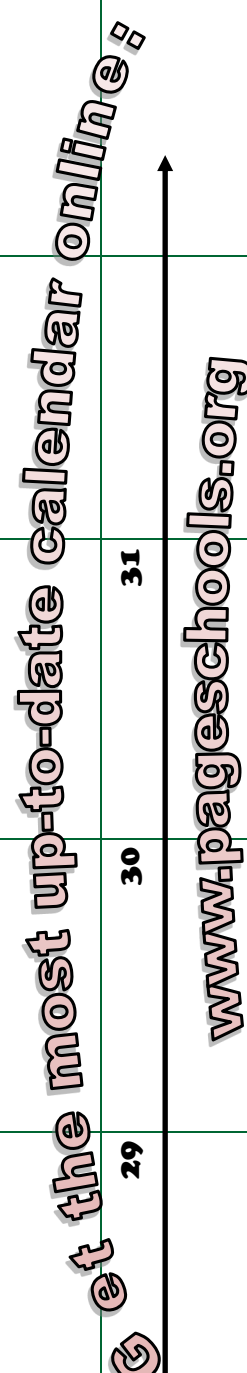
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	01 PHS Basketball v. Fredonia at 4:00, 5:30, 7:00PM PHS Boys Soccer v. NW Christian Academy 6:00PM	02 College T-shirt Day—first Weds of the month PHS Wrestling Multiple 2:30PM PTO—DV 4:00PM Site Council—DV 5:00PM	03 PMS Basketball v. Kayenta at 4:00 5:00 6:00 & 7:00PM AVID Parent Night—PMS 6-7:00PM PHS Girls NGS Basketball Tournament	04 The Nutcracker Ballet— CAB 7:00PM PHS Girls NGS Basketball Tournament	05 PMS Wrestling Invitational starts at 9:00AM The Nutcracker Ballet— CAB 7:00PM PHS Girls NGS Basketball Tournament
06 PTO—LV 3:30PM Site Council—LV 4:30PM	08 Music program—DV gym 5th grade at 10AM and 1PM Superintendent's Forum— District Office 4-5:00PM Board Meeting— District Office 5:00PM PMS/PHS Choir concert— CAB 6:00PM	09 Indian Education Council— PUSD Hogan 6:00PM PMS/PHS Orchestra concert—CAB 6:00PM Holiday Craft Night—DV 5-7:00PM at DV cafeteria	10 Music program—DV gym 4th grade at 10AM and 1PM PMS/PHS Band concert— CAB 6:00PM PHS Boys NGS Basketball Tournament	11 Music program—DV gym 3rd grade at 10AM and 1PM PHS Boys NGS Basketball Tournament	12 PMS Bball v. Red Mesa at 12:00 1:00 2:00 3:00 Lake Powell Concert Association: Christmas Celebration Concert— CAB 7:00PM PHS Boys NGS Basketball Tournament
13 PMS Basketball v. Tonalea at 4:00 5:00PM	15 Site Council—PHS 4:15PM	16	17 LV Awards Assembly 10:30AM PMS Basketball v. Kayenta at 4:00 5:00 6:00 7:00PM	18 1/2 Day of School LV PRIDE Assembly 8:15AM	19
20 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	22	23	24	25	26
27 NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK	29	30	31		



Congratulations to Kristy Rivers (PHS 21st Century Grant Coordinator) and Susan Van Nostrand (Lake View Primary Reading Specialist), our October P.R.I.D.E. recipients! Lavana Thompson and Keanu Todacheene, pictured above right, along with Ryleigha Sands, McKile Dove, and Dine "Ada" Youngmartin were Students of the Month! Our employees receive Personal Recognition In District Education (PRIDE) to share the outstanding efforts of our certified and classified staff and each school recognizes those students who are Positive, Respectful, Involved, Determined, and Excellent (PRIDE) in the way they act and go about the business of learning. Thank you for showing PRIDE in yourselves and your schools!

Campus Cruising

From last month: Where is this?

As part of his Restoring Youth (RY) class in the early 2000's, now-Pastor Al Nezy was looking for a project that would unify his students, give them something to work toward, and bring some beauty and interest into their world. A student art contest resulted in several inspiring images being submitted and the final one was voted upon in his class. Over the course of several weeks, students brought the 8.5x11" sketch to mural-size reality in the center of Page High School's campus. The artist sought to represent that people separated by geography, interests, and even time periods could come together as one human family.



Where are we this month?



This mural is found on one of our original campuses. Do you know the story behind it? Were you a part of its creation?

Share your story!



Like and follow us on Facebook to continue the conversation.

