



477 PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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HIGHER EDUCATION DEADLINE!!!!

Higher Education Scholarship deadline is approaching for fall 2007. ALL completed application & required documents must be clocked June 15, 2007 5:00 P.M.

EET will be hosting a Financial Aid & Scholarship Workshop on

- Tuesday, April 10th at 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 12th at 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 17th at 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 19th at 5:30 p.m.

Workshop will discuss requirements, FAFSA deadlines; acquire your Pin number, pros & cons of Student Loans & Much more. Workshop will be located in Room 110. For more information contact Claudia Washakie @ 478-3872 or Nadine Auck @ 4783978.

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

FILED YOUR 2006 TAXES?

April 12 is the last scheduled day for AARP Free e-file your 2006 taxes in the Fort Hall Library.

Information Needed for All Tax Returns:

- ✓ Social Security numbers & Date of Birth (yourself, spouse, dependents)
- ✓ W-2 forms
- ✓ 1099 (INV/DIV/B/R) information Forms
- ✓ List of income and expenses
- ✓ Copy of last year's return

Contact Tino Batt 478-3973 or Nadine Auck 478-3978 for more information or questions regarding you 2006 tax return.



Summer Youth Employment Program

2007 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM!

Application ready for this year SYEP, individuals may pick up an application at the EET/TANF office on the Westside of the HRDC Building, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

VERY IMPORTANT!! In order to consider your application for summer employment, the application and all documents **MUST** be submitted by stamping each and every document in at the EET/TANF Office **AND** giving them to the person at the front desk. If you need help with your application, you may contact Luwana Skunkcap, Intake Technician at 478-3845.

Deadline: Friday, May 18, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

We accept faxed applications and documents as long as they are received by deadline. It is the applicant and their parent or guardian's responsibility to communicate with the front desk and verify that the application and support documents are submitted by the deadline.

More information Contact Tino Batt @ 478-3973 tmejia@shoshonebannocktribes.com

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TANF CASH ASSISTANCE

The TANF program would like to remind our participants that Cash Assistance ("PAY DAY") is distributed on the first of the month. In the event that the "1st" falls on a Saturday, checks will be distributed on Friday. In the event that the 1st falls on a Sunday, checks will be distributed on Monday.

TANF TIME SHEETS

TIMESHEETS ARE DUE EVERY FRIDAY AND NEED TO BE FILLED OUT AND COMPLETELY AND SIGNED. IF YOU FAIL TO TURN IN YOUR WEEKLY TIMESHEETS, THEN YOU ARE IN JEOPARDY OF NOT RECEIVING YOUR CHECK THE FOLLOWING MONTH. REMEMBER, YOU NEED TO BE COMPLETING YOUR ASSIGNED WORK ACTIVITIES AND DOCUMENTING THOSE HOURS ON YOUR TIMESHEETS. THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PROGRAM.

PARENTING FACTS & MYTHS: ARE THERE PERFECT PARENTS?

Being a parent is the most important job you can do in your life. It also lasts a lifetime. It helps to ignore the common myths.

I should know all the answers.

You don't have to know everything. No parent has all the answers. There is no such thing as one 'right way' or 'one-style-fits-all' parenting. Parents need to understand and be able to respond to the unique personalities, strengths and vulnerabilities of each child. Have reasonable expectations of yourself. Have confidence in what you do know. It's OK to say I don't know. Find out more about the things you feel less confident in.

Parenting comes naturally.

Every parent has to work it out as they go along. Every parent makes mistakes and learns through experience. Mistakes only count if you keep repeating them. Parenting requires understanding, persistence, imagination, energy, knowledge and patience. And all parents need support.

Congratulate yourself on what you are doing well. Accept that there may be things you could do differently or better next time (although you usually only know this by looking back afterwards). Do not be too hard on yourself. Appreciate that parenting has its ups and downs and accept that this is normal.

Raising my children is my job.

Historically, extended families and

TANF CLASSROOM RULES

All participants attending TANF classes are expected to check in at least 10 minutes before classes begin each day. Use this time to check in with your SRS (if necessary), get coffee, and settle in before class begins. Classes will begin promptly at their scheduled times. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class (morning and afternoon). Make every effort to be timely as we are practicing good work habits.

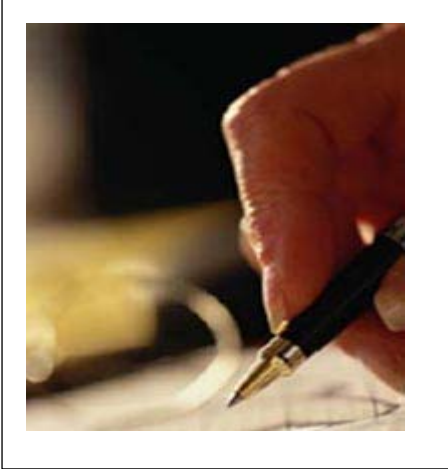
neighborhoods shared the responsibility of caring for children. Today, more than ever before, parents are viewed as solely responsible for raising their children.

You may feel judged and alone. Many mothers and fathers do. But if you ask, you will find that many other parents feel exactly the same way! **Asking for support is a positive thing to do for you and your child.** Seek support from family, friends, community and family support services.

Parenting is a community activity - many people play a significant role in children's lives. Grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends, teachers and neighbors all contribute to and support family life.

Parenting facts

- Children and parents learn together.
- Children and parents learn from each other.
- There is no such thing as a perfect parent.
- There is no such thing as a perfect child.
- There are many ways to parent. There is no one right way to do it.
- As a parent, you constantly learn more and more about your children as they change and grow.
- Your parenting changes with the changing needs of your children.



NEW ISU GED TESTING HOURS

GED classes are available at the HRDC Building on the Westside in room 110. The hours of services are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

A 477 application must be filled out first in order for individuals to receive incentives for each test and sent to ISU testing center.

ISU New Hours for April & May are as follow:

April 5- All Day

April 11 & 12- 7:30-12 noon

April 20- All Day

April 25 & 26- 7:30-12 noon

May 3- All Day

May 8 & 9- 7:30- 12 noon

7:30	Check in Time
8:00-9:20	Science
9:30-10:40	Social Studies
11:00-12:05	Reading
12:30-2:30	Writing
3:00-4:30	Math

For more information contact:

Shirleen Stash @ 478-3974

Chris Green @ 478-3883

TRIBAL YOUTH PROGRAM

Tribal Youth Department has been doing tutoring for the youth in the Nutrition room this spring. Parents are encouraged to send their students to the nutrition room once school is out. Tutors assist students in homework and other subject areas of need. All students in need of tutoring or homework help are more than welcome to receive help in the Nutrition Room. Parents or Guardians who would like for information contact Loretta Edmo & Candice Yokoyama @ 478-3851

BORADING SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The Tribal Youth Education Department is coordinating the Junior and Senior High School Boarding School Application Process for the Tribes. If you have any questions contact Loretta Edmo & Candice Yokoyama @ 478-3851




Tutoring in the Nutrition Room





Programs -- Weekly Class Schedule -- April 2007

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	GED Class 8- 5 Room 110 Instructor Chris Green & Shirleen Stash				
8:00	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants
	ISU - JET Classes 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learning Lab Area, Instructor Karin Ramirez				
9:00	Weight & Fitness 9-10 a.m.	Weight & Fitness 9-10 a.m.	Weight & Fitness 9-10 a.m.	Weight & Fitness 9-10 a.m.	No TANF Classes Instructor & Staff Meeting 
10:00	Job Search/Readiness 10-11 a.m.	Job Search/Readiness 10-11 a.m.	Job Search/Readiness 10-11 a.m.	Job Search/Readiness 10-11 a.m.	
11:00	Mavis Keyboarding 11-12 noon	Mavis Keyboarding 11-12 noon	Mavis Keyboarding 11-12 noon	Mavis Keyboarding 11-12 noon	
12:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
1:00	Healthy Lifestyle 1-2 p.m.	Healthy Lifestyle 1-2 p.m.	Healthy Lifestyle 1-2 p.m.	Healthy Lifestyle 1-2 p.m.	
2:00	Parenting 2-3 p.m.	Parenting 2-3 p.m.	Parenting 2-3 p.m.	Parenting 2-3 p.m.	
3:00	Substance Awareness 3-4 p.m.	Substance Awareness 3-4 p.m.	Substance Awareness 3-4 p.m.	Substance Awareness 3-4 p.m.	
4:00	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants	Transport Participants

Dates to Remember:

- 2-Apr Pay Day No TANF Class **only GED & JET Classes**
- 5-Apr JET Vocational Office Technology I Ends
- 5-Apr Post Test for JET 9 a.m. BE ON TIME Learning Lab
- 10-Apr First Aid Course 5 p.m. in Learning Lab *register in room 204
- 11-Apr CPR Course 5 p.m. in Learning Lab *register in room 204

I believe that we are solely responsible
for our choices, and we have to accept
the consequences of every deed, word,
and thought throughout our lifetime.

-Elisabeth Ross