

The 2018-19 Lil' Miss Warm Springs Pageant



Miss Warm Springs Thyreicia Simtustus with the new 2018-19 Senior Lil' Miss Warm Springs Jessica Bruised Head, Junior Lil' Miss Warm Springs Julia Wolfe, and Lil' Miss Warm Springs Kyra Eastman (from left).

Norene Sampson/Recreation

Thank you all who attended this year's Lil' Miss Warm Springs Pageant, and made this program possible.

Thank you judges, our cooks and our master of ceremonies Aldo Garcia. All the contestants were

awesome, and I am proud of each and every one of you.
Norene Sampson, Warm Springs Recreation.



On hand for the Pageant were the outgoing 2017-18 Lil' Miss Warm Springs Royalty: Junior Miss Gigi David; Lil' Miss Kihanna Allen, and Senior Miss Coreena Stywer.



Jayson Smith photos above



2018-19 Lil' Miss Warm Springs Kyra Eastman (above); and Junior Lil' Miss Warm Springs Julia Wolf (left).

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During the year leading up to the pageant, the future contestants work on many different kinds of projects.

"We try to follow the seasons," Norene said. There are trips for root digging and huckleberry gathering. The girls make wing dresses, and aprons for the longhouse, and tule mats. At Valentine's Day they made cards for the residents at High Lookee Lodge. These are to name just some of the activities.

The Lil' Miss Warm Springs Royalty attend many events: Honor Seniors Day, Lincoln's Birthday Powwow, the Warm Springs Academy Assembly, powwows at Grand Ronde, Nisqually, Umatilla, Celilo Village, Muckleshoot and Portland State University, among many activities.

Second year

Recreation held the first Lil' Miss Warm Springs Pageant in 1983. The first Recreation team to organize the event were Carol Alison, Caroline Tohet, Nina Rowe and Arlene Boileau.

The pageant was an annual tradition for more than 20 years. Then as times changed the pageant went away. The Recreation Department last year revived Lil' Miss Warm Springs. So 2018 is the Second Annual new Lil' Miss Warm Springs Pageant.

2018-19 Royalty

Senior Miss Warm Springs is **Jessica Bruised Head**. She is 14, and is in the eighth grade at the Warm Springs Academy. Her parents are Sammy and Clint Bruised Head. Her maternal grandparents Kenny and Frances Allen, and paternal grandparents are Peter and Margret Bruised Head.

In her future Jessica wants to be a dentist, and a champion barrel racer. She likes riding horses, playing basketball and volleyball, and dancing.

And she is a good helper for the HeHe Longhouse, and enjoys working for he elders.

Junior Miss

Junior Miss Warm Springs is **Julia Wolfe**. Her parents are Chasen Lahr and Agnes Wolfe. Her maternal grandparents are Flossie and late James Wolfe Sr.; and paternal grandparents are Ivanna Bailey and Harlen Lahr.

Julia is 11, and goes to the Warm Springs Academy. She is part of the Soaring Butterfly group, and attends the Wasco Dance Class.

Later this month she will be at the Language Bowl representing the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

Julia was a very active member in the Lil' Miss Warm Springs program since the first day of the 2017-2018 program.

In the future she wants to be a teacher, and one day would also like to be Miss Warm.

Lil' Miss

Lil' Miss Warm Springs is **Kyra Eastman**. She is a 9-year-old who attends the Warm Springs Academy. Her parents are Sheylene Greene-Boise and Jake Buffalo Horse Eastman.

Her maternal grandparents are Angie Spino and Tony Boise; and paternal grandparents are Rocky Eastman and Roberta Kirk.

Kyra is an active member of the Simnasho Longhouse, and participates in Sunday Waashut services. She had her first Root and Huckleberry ceremonies when she was 5.

Kyra participates in social dance, and the Canoe Journey. She enjoys attending the Sun Dances in South Dakota every year.

She loves to draw, dance at powwows and play softball. When she gets older she wants to be a police officer.

Appreciation

This year's judges for the pageant were Carol Sahme, also a Miss Warm Springs coordinator; and Marge Kalama, who made the Senior and Junior Miss Warm

Springs Crowns. Lorien Stacona made the sashes.

Also on the judges' panel: Kasheena Stevens, one of the last Lil' Miss Warm Springs members; Tatum Kalama of Recreation; and Norne Sampson, also of the Recreation Department.

This year's cooks were Carol Lawrence, Arnetta Saludo, Terry Saludo, Joey Johnson and Greg Youngman.

The floor opener was Greg Arquette. Master of Ceremonies was Aldo Garcia.

Past Lil' Miss Warm Springs on hand for the pageant were Kihanna Allen; Junior Miss Warm Springs Gigi David; and Senior Miss Warm Springs was Coreena Stywer.

Thank you to Norene Sampson for helping with this article.

COCC hosting summer Native American program

Central Oregon Community College this summer will host Strive—Summer Training to Revive Indigenous Vision and Empowerment.

Strive will be from June 28-July 2 at the COCC Bend campus. Strive is a residential summer program for Native American high school students in Central Oregon. The goal of the program is to provide cultural and academic support, and give young Native students leadership skills.

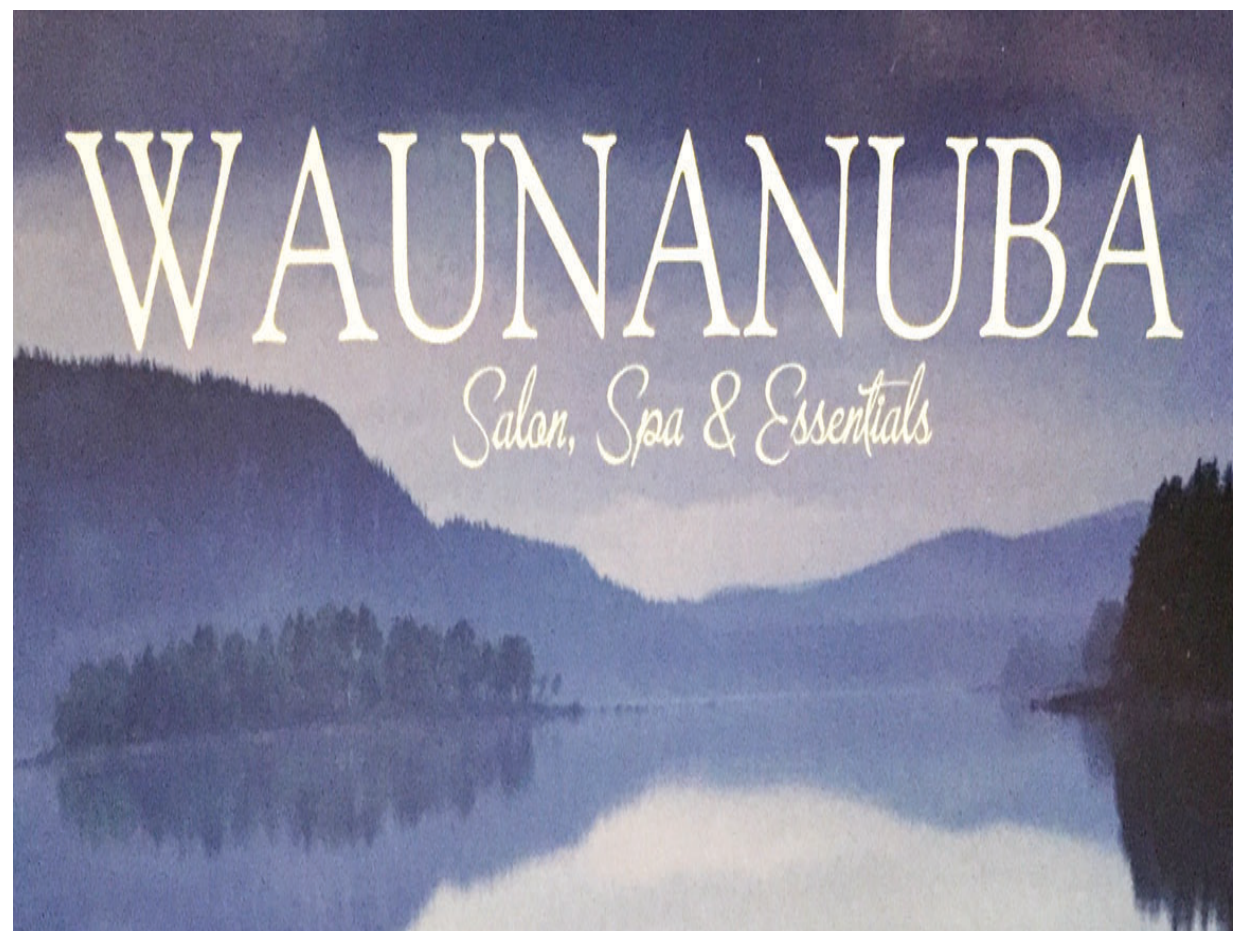
Students take culturally appropriate classes from college professors in a variety of subjects, and also work with suc-

cessful Native American college students.

Strive is free. Students must have a 2.0 GPA in high school, and be incoming freshmen to seniors.

For more information about Strive and COCC's Native American program, contact Kathy Freeman, The Good Road program coordinator at 541-330-4369.

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