

EDUCATION REPORT

The months of November and December bring Mid-Term and Final exams to many Tribal members who are participating in community college or university programs. If any of these students are in your households as daughter, son, spouse, please lend a sympathetic ear. Mid-terms and finals can be stressful.

Currently, the Tribe is assisting 19 with Higher Education grants and 8 students with Adult Vocational Training.

Students who are attending school during Fall Term 1988 are participating in these programs:

FOUR YEAR DEGREE PROGRAMS

Marion Henry - WOSC -Law Enforcement
 Cecile Kneeland - WOSC -Elementary Education ECE
 Brent Merrill - WOSC - English Journalism
 Susan Martin -WOSC - Law Enforcement
 Corrine Fugate -UofO - Elementary Education
 Kelly Fugate -UofO -Pre-Law
 Tracy Olson -UofO -Journalism
 Andrew Jenness -UofO -Psychology
 Christopher Leno -OSU - Business Administration
 Jeffery P. Brickell -OIT - Computer Science
 Jacqueline Grant -EOSC -Business Admin./Psychology
 Brenda Gray -Treasure Valley, - Nursing
 Debbie Mudgett -Clark - Nursing
 Kelly Nelson -CSU/Sac. -Chemistry/Biology
 Ann Ritchey -Evergreen Col. -Science
 Kimberly Harrelson -Highline -Business Administration
 Camille VanVleet -CCC -International Political Scien.
 John Allen -CCC -Pre-Law
 Leticia Tinoco -CCC -Tourism Management

TWO YEAR DEGREE/CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

Teresa Bailey -CCC -Nursing
 Phebi Peone -CCC -Computer Programming
 Jesse Peone -CCC -Welding
 Joannie West -Linn Benton -Real Estate
 Tamara Williams -Phagans -Cosmetology
 Lisa Kleinschmidt -Linn Benton -Medical Receptionist
 Jeanne Larsen -CCC -Secretarial Administration
 Roger Harrison -IAIA -Graphic Arts/Studio

FINANCIAL AID FILING DEADLINES

Both new and returning students who plan on attending a community college, a four year college or university next Fall 1989, remember you will need to file your Financial Aid Forms (FAF) for the 1989-90 school year, in January 1989 and should be completed no later than January 30, 1989.

You can obtain these forms from your respective Office of Financial Aid, or your Counseling Center (high school students).

The FAF is necessary for all students seeking a Tribal Higher Education or Adult Vocational Training grant. Your Tribal application will not be considered unless this process has been completed.



FAMILY MATH

The Oregon Indian Education Association will be sponsoring a Family Math workshop on December 2 & 3, 1988, in Warm Springs Oregon.

The workshops are intended to help parents work and have fun with their children with math.

The JOM/Adult Education Programs may be able to pay expenses for a limited number of people. Call Dean Azule at 879-5211 for more information.

HIGHER ED. AND CAREER AWARENESS WORKSHOP SET FOR DECEMBER 1, 1988

On December 1, 1988, a HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER AWARENESS WORKSHOP, will be sponsored by the Education and JOM Programs of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the Grand Ronde Title IV Program.

Colleges who will be participating include: Western Oregon State College, Eastern Oregon State College, University of Oregon, Portland State University and Chemeketa Community College.

The workshop is open to all interested persons, and high school students are especially encouraged to attend, especially those anticipating on going to school next year, 1989-90. Parents of students who are wanting to learn more about the application process and adult Tribal members who are possibly thinking of school are also invited.

Areas to be covered during the workshop include:

- How will you pay for college?
- Applying for Tribal/BIA grants?
- Qualifying for Oregon Minority Tuition Scholarships?
- What services colleges offer?
- Why college?

The workshop will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Nazarene Church, (tentative) in Grand Ronde. High School students wishing to attend should contact Ms. Donnie Curtis, JOM Program at 879-5211.

All others interested in attending, please call the Education Program at 879-5211. We need to make arrangements for lunch.

INDIAN DOCTORS AND NURSES NEEDED

Former dentist urges youth to become doctors and nurses to help meet medical needs in Indian Country.

More American Indians must become doctors and registered nurses if they expect ever to gain a controlling influence in the delivery of health care to the 1.5 million people in their communities, a retired assistant U.S. surgeon general said Saturday in Portland.

George Blue Spruce Jr. of Phoenix, Ariz., a Pueblo Indian who in 1956 became the first American Indian in the United States to graduate as a dentist, urged young American Indians to go to school, stay in school and get the "union card" necessary to join the "superelite" of the medical profession. The elite, he said, are the doctors and registered nurses with advanced degrees.

Blue Spruce, 57, was the keynote speaker during the 10th annual Willamette Valley Racial Minorities Consortium conference at Portland State University.

Drawing on his own experiences as a dental surgeon and health administrator, Blue Spruce declared "Indian self-determination is a myth." He said that 30 chief medical officers in the Indian Health Service, all medical doctors, determine health care priorities for American Indians, and that only two of those doctors are American Indians.

Furthermore, only six of the 50 hospitals of the Indian Health Service - a division of the U.S. Public Health Service - have been taken over for operation by American Indian tribes, he said.

Most American Indians who work as professionals delivering health services to other American Indians, he said, are in the "lower ranks" of hospital aide and technician jobs.

Since retiring two years ago, Blue Spruce has worked as a consultant encouraging American Indian children to go to college and medical school. He also has urged medical schools to intensify their recruitment of American Indians.

He said his message to young students is, "if you want to shoot for the M.D., go for it," he added that many youngsters get little encouragement from parents who often are undereducated and unable to grasp such goals as attainable.

Blue Spruce was the first American Indian dentist to hold the post of assistant surgeon general, a ranking equivalent to that of a Navy admiral.

There are 32 assistant surgeon generals, most of them administrators of federal health programs or agencies, he said.

-from The Oregonian.