

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Grand Ronde Head Start/Preschool applications now being accepted

Grand Ronde Head Start/Preschool applications for the 2009-10 school year are now being accepted. Contact Sandy Bobb at 503-879-2161 or by e-mail at sandra.bobb@grandronde.org for an application. Completed applications must be turned in no later than Friday, July 17, at 5 p.m. Selection will take place Friday, July 31. Children with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply (transportation may be provided).

Application assistance will be available June 9 at noon and at 5:30 p.m. in the Adult Education building.

Child Care Development Fund Public Hearing & Tribal kindergarten registration

Tuesday, June 9 — 5-6 p.m.

Youth Education covered area

Call Vikki Bishop at 503-879-2287 with any questions.

Summer internships for high school students

The Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering (ASE) Program matches high school students interested in the sciences with mentors for an eight-week paid summer internship. CMOP internships provide a \$1,000 stipend to the student, as well as an experience that will provide professional training and looks great on college and job applications. Students from low-income families (qualify for the federal free or reduced lunch program) will receive a \$2,000 stipend.

We are seeking Native American high school students for four summer internship positions with the Center for Coastal Margin Prediction and Observation (CMOP). There are four positions: Carbon Cycling in the Columbia River Estuary, Environmental Sensor Development, Internship in Ocean Observatories and Remediation of Environmental Contaminants.

Students must submit a preliminary application form, two letters of recommendation from adults, a copy of their official school transcripts, an essay targeted for their desired positions (up to three positions), a final application form and a \$25 application fee. The application fee is waived for all students who qualify for federal free or reduced lunches. For more information on how to apply, please visit the ASE Web site www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE/StudentInfo/HowToApply/tabid/71/Default.aspx.

K-5 Summer Program

There will be a limited number of openings for the K-5 Summer Program. The program will run from Monday, June 8, to Friday, Aug. 14, 2009.

Applications for students who attended kindergarten-fifth grade during the 2008-09 school year can be picked up or requested from Youth Education beginning at 9 a.m. Friday, May 1.

Completed applications, along with the June payment of \$50, can be returned to Youth Education from May 4 at 8 a.m. through May 7 at 5 p.m.

Eligibility requirements state that parent(s)/guardian(s) must be in school, working or in a training program during the hours that the student participates in the K-5 Summer Program or the student must meet the requirements for a "Special/High-Needs" student.

The K-5 Summer Program is open to all K-5 Native American youth, with preference given to Tribal and/or "Special/High-Needs" youth.

For families who qualify, a sliding fee scale is available and enrolled Tribal youth may use the CTGR Youth Sponsorship.

Contact Toni Mercier at 503-879-2101 or Matt Bucknell at 503-879-2224 for additional information.

American Indian Graduate Center Fellowships

Each year, the AIGC fellowship program provides \$1.2 million in fellowships to more than 350 Native American and Alaska Native graduate students. Graduate fellowships are monetary awards made to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate or professional degree-seeking students, who meet all eligible criteria. The U.S. Bureau of Indian Education federally funds the fellowship program. The fellowship amount is typically between \$1,000 and \$5,000 per academic year (not including summer), and varies from year to year, depending on the availability of funds and unmet financial need.

To be considered for an AIGC fellowship, the applicant must be:

- ◆ Pursuing a post baccalaureate graduate or professional degree as a full-time student at an accredited institution in the U.S.
- ◆ Able to demonstrate financial need.
- ◆ An enrolled member of a federally recognized American Indian or Alaska Native group, or provide documentation of descendency (possess one-fourth degree federally recognized Indian blood).

The deadline to submit a 2009-10 AY application is June 1, 2009. For more information and an application, please visit www.aigc.com/02scholarships/aigc/fellowship.htm

FULL-TIME STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. All full-time students are required to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year. A copy of the FAFSA and Student Aid Report (SAR) must be submitted to the Tribal Education Program.
2. All full-time students are responsible for having their grade reports sent to the Higher Education Programs upon completion of each term/semester.
3. All full-time students must maintain a 2.00 GPA and successfully complete a minimum of 12 credit hours per term/semester to remain eligible for funding.
4. Full-time students who do not meet the minimum academic requirements will be placed on academic PROBATION. Students who are placed on PROBATIONARY STATUS will not be awarded the following term until they have provided a copy of their grade report/transcript.

NO AWARD WILL BE MADE UNTIL GRADE REPORT/TRANSCRIPTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

5. Failure to meet the minimum academic requirements during the probationary term/semester will result in SUSPENSION from the program.
6. Full-time students must notify the Higher Education Programs of address, telephone and e-mail changes as soon as they occur.
9. Each year full-time students must sign a "Release of Information" form allowing correspondence with the school of attendance regarding financial aid, educational budget, attendance and grade reports.
10. Students who withdraw or do not complete a term/semester will be required to reimburse the Higher Education Programs for funding received for the term/semester.

Please keep in contact with the Higher Education Programs; we are here to provide assistance and support you while you are attending school.



The A. Susana Santos' Journeys in Creativity • August 9-22, 2009: Traditions in Metal to fourteen amazing art-packed days, sixteen teens will embark on a journey together through the remarkable world of Native American art and culture. Their guides on the expedition will work side-by-side with them in intensive, hands-on art workshops, share cross-cultural experiences with them, and take with them to local museums and galleries. This creative cultural exploration will take place on the beautiful campus of Oregon College of Art and Craft in Portland, Oregon.

History: The Journeys in Creativity program was founded in partnership with OACAC, The Museum of Warm Springs and Highway 99 to help OACAC and the A. Susana Santos, an OACAC alumna, and Warm Springs tribal member Santos and OACAC's goal to help foster the study of Contemporary Native American Art and Craft for Native American students who might pursue a secondary education or profession in the arts.

Who is eligible: Summer teens ages 15-19 who are an American Indian or Alaska Native.

Where it will happen: Workshops and artist residencies will occur at the OACAC campus, Warm Springs, and take place at various locations in Portland, and to regional cultural sites in both Washington and Oregon. All teens will stay in campus in Astoria during the summer.

How to apply: Check out the application requirements on the next page for all the details. The deadline to receive applications is Wednesday, June 3, 2009. All materials must be received by this date.

How much does it cost: The program is fully funded by many generous sponsors, so the program is free for the sixteen selected participants. All participants must make their own arrangements for travel to and from the camp. We do not have travel insurance and travel must be arranged by the participants. However, arrangements can be made with camp staff to pick up youth leaving in Portland to bus, train or plane.

Who can I contact if I have questions? Call David Thomas at 503-253-4142 or email dthomas@oacac.edu