

Full-time Graduate Program

The Full-time Graduate Scholarship Program assists adult members of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon while attending full-time graduate-level university studies at regionally accredited nonprofit colleges and universities.

The goal of the program is to assist Tribal members with the financial costs associated with acquiring graduate-level higher education – thereby providing the opportunity for personal and professional development that leads to self-sufficiency and economic independence.

The Full-time Graduate Scholarship program supports participants with a scholarship of \$6,000 per term/quarter or \$9,000 per semester depending on the school's academic calendar – for a total of \$18,000 per traditional school year. For students who wish to attend summer sessions at their university, an additional \$6,000 is available. There are no residency or income restrictions on eligibility.

The initial application must be completed and submitted to the Education Department at least 30 days before the start of the school term when first entering the program. For subsequent terms of enrollment, a new application does not need to be completed; students can contact the program specialist by phone or e-mail to make arrangements for continuing in the program after the first term of participation.

For more information on the program or to have an application sent to you, contact Bryan K Langley at 1-800-422-0232, ext. 2275, or by e-mail at bryan.langley@grandronde.org.

Tribal Library

Tribal Librarian: Marion Mercier

Library Aide: Jeff Davidson

LIBRARY SERVICES:

Circulation Services: Perform check — in/check-out services, catalog search and retrieval services and outreach as requested. Library-to-library lending through the inter-library loan services with Oregon State Library.

Reference Services: Provide assistance with catalog search for the library collection items. Provide assistance with computer searches, database access and basic skill instruction. Provide limited printing, copying and fax service. Library staff will facilitate library tours as requested.

Computers with Internet/Wi-Fi Access: The Tribal Library has five computers available for patron use. The library has a link to DMV practice tests for the driver's permit and or license tests.

Oregon State Library (OSL) provides access to the following databases free of charge to the library:

- **Learning Express:** Access job search-related material, academic programs that include lesson plans and study supplements for elementary and high school students and adult education programs with GED, GMAT, SAT and GRE practice tests.
- **GALE Cengage:** Offers access to a multitude of periodicals, newsprint and other materials.

Department of Motor Vehicles provides a link to practice tests for the learning permit and the driver's license on the library computers.

Smoke Signals: Tribal Library information is in the Tribe's newsletter. **Library Statistics for 2017**

- Cards issued 78
 - Visits 8,130
 - Circulations 8,451
 - Donations 1,401
 - Computer Use 1,188
- (Elementary: 32; Young Adult: 177; Elders: 566)
- Days of service: 264.5.

Library Cards: Tribal and local community members may apply for a library card free of charge. Verification of Tribal ID or local residence is required to issue a library card.

TRIBAL LIBRARY COLLECTION: The collection holding is at approximately 18,000 items.

- **Additions to the collection:** We added 1,281 items to the library collection in 2017.
- **Donations:** Donations are welcome. Items must be clean and in good condition. We do not add all donated items to the collection. Duplicate items, items in poor condition and/or outdated content items are not added. Cassette and VHS tapes are no longer accepted.
- **Weeds:** We weeded approximately 1,412 items from the collection in 2017.
- **Collection Value:** The estimated collection value is \$293,000. Collection items are purchased with Tribal and IMLS grant funds. Donated items

comprise about 25 percent of the collection.

PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

- **Start Making a Reader Today Program:** The Library hosts this paired reading time each week between October and May. Averages about 70 participants per session. The ECE Program coordinates the SMART Reading Program. A huge thanks to all of the volunteers for their time in reading to the youth in the SMART program each week. We appreciate our dedicated volunteers.
- **Chinuk Immersion Program:** Weekly library visit for a story and library time. 17-22 participants.
- **K-5 Program:** Weekly visit by two groups, the Ina (K-2nd) and Mulak (3rd-5th) for a story and library time. 17-25 participants per session.
- **Young Adult Library Time:** Teens visit the library independently. Many visitors in this age group generally come to use the computers for e-mail, Internet and homework purposes.
- **Summer Program:** June 18-July 31. The 2018 theme was "Libraries Rock!" Activity stations were set up each week for visitors and K-5 groups participated in the story themed activity each week. Movie time at the library was Saturdays at noon. Story time at housing during the lunch hour each week of the summer lunch program.
- **Summer Reading Incentive Program:** 2018 theme was "Libraries Rock!" Twenty-nine youth registered for the program. We had 18 active readers who read 373 books for a total of 13,211 minutes.
- **Winter Reading Incentive Program:** 2018 theme was "Get Fired Up For Reading!" Readers of all ages read 337 books during the four-week program.
- **Newborn Program:** Forty-three packets containing early literacy information and a new book were mailed out in January to each newly enrolled infant of 2017.
- **Adult Foster Care Lodges:** Short story reading at each of the lodges twice a month and the library hosts a monthly movie at the library for the residents.

Exhibits and Displays

- **On Loan Display:** A basket made by Martha Jane Sands is currently displayed in the library. The basket is on loan from Martha Jane's great-granddaughter, Margo Mercier. One of Margo's basket is on display with her grandmother's basket. Displays change each month on bulletin boards and throughout the library that may include:
- **Monthly & Seasonal Themes:** Exhibits of books and materials that relate to local, state, national and Tribal holidays or events occurring in the particular month and seasons.
- **Reading & Early Literacy Theme Program:** Displays of information and books.
- **Youth Art:** Displayed in the children and youth areas when received.
- **New Books and Materials:** All new items to the collection are displayed on the shelving nearest to the library entry for about 30 days.

PARTNERSHIPS/COLLABORATION: The Tribal Library maintains ongoing partnerships with:


Institute of Museum & Library Services: The Tribal Library has a long-standing partnership with IMLS. Our new 2018-19 grant award will provide funding for staff, staff development and new shelving.

Oregon State Library: Resources available to the Tribal Library include:

- Inter-Library Loan Program that connects us to library-to-library lending with OSL;
- Databases free of charge: GALE Cengage and Learning Express;
- Brochures and the application for Braille services.
- Professional development opportunities.



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