

2025 graduates

The following students were recognized at the June 2025 Honor and Recognition Event at the Spirit Mountain Casino Event Center Friday, June 27.

Eighth grade promotions:

Kason Bailey, Perrydale Middle School; Callie Bennett, Santiam Christian; Gunner Bishop, Willamina Middle School; Eve Delai, Elikites Ed; Devin Doar, Willamina Middle School; Cohen Fugate, Talmadge Middle School; Chaska Gomez, Olympic Middle School; Channing Haller, Anderson Middle School; Samantha Hedrick, Willamina Middle School; Logan Kneeland, Willamina Middle School; Lance Logan, Willamina Middle School; Dandez Lopez-Martin, Taft High 7-12; Brody Lux, Willamina Middle School; Quentin Manangan, Somerset Academy; Raylyn Schweitzer, Oakville Middle School; Layla Self, Tillamook Junior High School; Jordynn Simmons, Doral Academy Pebble Campus; Qwinem Simmons, Walker Middle School; Landin Stewart, Gaiser Middle School.

High school graduates:

Nya Ainam, McKay High School; Chloe Ayala, Sheridan High School; Samantha Bishop, Willamina High School; Jessica Burton-McGee, Waldport High School; Austin Carrasco, Amity High School; Paisley DeLoe, Willamina High School; Keyona Dotson, Enterprise High School; Baylee Dumarce, Willamina High School; Keahi Duran, Willamina High School; Ava Fagundes, Willamina High School; Grayson Farr, Lebanon High School; Hailey Garl, Tumwater High School; Sam Gleason, West Salem High School; Madison Grant, Stayton High School; Noah Gregg, Mt. Spokane High School; Annabelle Guardiola, Willamina High School; Loren Holmes, Siletz Valley; Emilio Jaimes, Madras High School; Gavin Lane, Kingston High School; Moriah Langley, First Light Academy; Bayleigh Leno, Willamina High School; Future Leno, Willamina High School; Gracie Mercier, Willamina High School; Kaikanim Mercier, Willamina High School; Mikayla Mercier, Willamina High School; Renaldo Noffsinger, Lebanon High School; Chase Range, McKay High School; Keylie Runningbird-Redhawk, Willamina High School; Katherine Stryker, Ridgefield High School; Mathew Trump-Torres, Norman High School; Taytum West, Willamina High School; Izzy Youso, Sprague High School.

GED/high school completion

Brandon Bastin, Adult High School Completion; Tristen Denhem, Adult High School Completion; Koana Leno, Adult High School Completion; Molly Leno, Adult High School Completion; Rilee Mercier, Adult High School Completion; Ciera Petersen, Adult High School Completion; True Rimer, Adult High School Completion; Lisa Schmid, GED; Tiffany Tobiska, GED; Sianna Stone, GED; Tayer Stone, GED.

Certificates

Madison Aaron, Chemeketa Community College; Angelica Banton, Northwest Beauty College; Logan Bobb, Chemeketa Community College; Justine Flynn, Kansas State University; Makenzie Galvan, Phagans School of High Design; Shawn Haggerty, Southern New Hampshire University; Prommisse Thornley, Police Academy.

Associate degree

Christine Beal, Portland Community College; Braden Ebensteiner, Chemeketa Community College; Reece Ebensteiner, Chemeketa Community College; Michael Flores, Lee College; Hailey Haller, Shasta College; Edi Larsen, Portland Community College; Rhonda Leno, Chemeketa Community College; Melinda Mathews, Chemeketa Community College; Poppy Mitchell, Linn-Benton Community College; Jacob Olson, Linn-Benton Community College; Alec Palanuk Mercier, Chemeketa Community College; Conner Sabey, Chemeketa Community College; Susan Sabey, Lane Community College; Tarina Thornock, Grays Harbor Community College; Alexandria Thorsgard, Chemeketa Community College; Keith Wockenfuss, Texas State Technical College.

Bachelor's degree

Alexander Bliven, Western Oregon University; Aundrea Cooney, Santa Clara University; Brandon Emmerich, Bowling Green State University; Makenzie Hill, Heritage University; Rayna Hutton, Portland State University; Darien Leno, Oregon State University; Sierra Nor-west, Portland State University; Joshua Rye, Austin Peay State University; Payton Smith, University of Alabama; Mia Stanley, Portland State University; Jonah Strand, Oklahoma Christian University; Isaac Teixeira, University of California; Myriah Wetmore, Bushnell University; Sedona Williams, Oregon State University.

Master's degree

Timothy Allen, Davenport University; George Ankeney, Stanford University; Taylor Bradford, University of Nevada; Bailey Daniels, George Fox University; Samantha Games, University of Denver; Christina Morgan, Arizona State University; Olivia Morrow, University of Washington; Samuel Riding In, University of Oregon; Katherine Rodriguez, Eastern Oregon University; Kryshanne Searls, Eastern Oregon University; Christian Trimpe, Oregon State University.

Professional degrees

Christopher Mansayon, Oregon State University; Michael Reyes, Gannon University; Jordan Reyes, University of Buffalo. ■

Tribal members agreed to four changes ever to the constitution

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who are unfamiliar with constitutional amendment elections adding “additional challenges in recent years.”

Tribal members have only agreed in sufficient numbers to four proposals to change the constitution:

The 1999 enrollment amendment, in 2008 when they increased the relinquishment of membership from another Tribe from one to five years, in 2022 when they agreed to ban disenrollment actions unless fraud or dual enrollment can be proven, and when the lineal descendent amendment was approved in December 2024. ■

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS



TOTAL AMENDMENTS: 14
1999 – 2025

AMENDMENTS PASSED:
1999: ENROLLMENT
2008: RELINQUISHMENT PERIOD
2022: BANNING DISENROLLMENT
2024: LINEAL DECENT

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