



Tribal Scholars Program
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Ketchikan Indian Community's Tribal Scholars Program has openings for tribal youth residing within the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District. The program is open for enrollment for the 2017/2018 school year for youth in grades 9-12.

The Tribal Scholars program is aimed at preparing tribal youth for post-secondary education, providing culturally relevant academic courses, and teaching the high school students about Southeast Alaska ways of life and history.

Beyond preparing the students for college, the program is meant first to assure the student's graduate high school by building a holistic model that is based around student's life experience. Education then becomes a way of life it becomes an identity boost, a cultural boost, and a way of learning that will give students the encouragement they need to move forward in their future endeavors.

The Goals for the Tribal Scholars Program

- Engage Native students through personalized learning
- Increase testing competencies
- Create a learning atmosphere where **relationships, respect, and accountability** are paramount
- Correlate education to students' lives and future aspirations

Tribal Scholars Program Elements

- Certified educators
- Develop an individualized learning plan
- Teach Core Courses of English, Science, Math, and Social Studies from 8 a.m. until noon
- Integrate culturally-responsive teaching methods and activities into curricula
- Match students' interests with career observation & mentoring opportunities
- Serve in community projects
- Engage in post-secondary academic camps & learning on the local college campus
- Access community resources through on-site educational opportunities in Ketchikan, i.e. Discovery Center, Public Library, Totem Heritage Center, etc.
- Technology based education using:
 - Online learning
 - Digital imagery
 - Basic and advanced computer application courses

The Tribal Scholars program meets at KIC's Tribal Youth Center located at 615 Stedman St. from 8:00 a.m. until noon covering their core classes of English, math, science, and social studies. The youth then take a bus to Ketchikan High School to complete their school day by taking their elective courses.

Applications are available at Ketchikan Indian Community at 615 Stedman Street.

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Tribal Scholars Coordinator



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Student Documentation Checklist	
	Completed Tribal Scholars Application/ Student Release of Information
	KGBSD Enrollment (if not previously enrolled)
	If applicable, Individualized Education Plan
	Student Recommendation Form (Students may be referred by District faculty, administrators, or parents.) First time only.



Tribal Scholars Program

Funded through Indian Education, Ketchikan Indian Community and the Ketchikan School District are partnering in a new academic initiative, the Tribal Scholars Program (TSP). All TSP courses are taught by Alaska-certificated Educators and are located at KIC's building at 615 Stedman Street. The TSP is for students who thrive in a dynamic, community-focused learning environment, and fills an educational gap for high school-aged students.

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- Listen to guest speakers and trainers in professional and cultural pursuits
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Students need to arrive to the youth center by 8 a.m. and will be transported by bus to Kayhi for lunch and afternoon elective classes at noon. Students may be referred by District faculty, administrators, or parents.

You can contact Sonya Skan at 228-9374 or sskan@kictribe.org or Tiffany Pickrell 228-9237 tpickrell@kictribe.org with referrals or questions.



Tribal Scholars Program Application

Tribal Scholars Applicant Information

Name _____
Last First MI

Address _____
Number Street

_____ City State Zip Code

Birthdate __ - __ - __ Age ____ Gender __ M __ F Present Grade __9 __10__11__12

_____ City of Birth State of Birth

How did you find out about the Tribal Scholars Program?

Parent/Guardian Information

_____ Parent/Guardian #1

_____ Parent/Guardian #2

_____ Relationship

_____ Relationship

_____ Home Phone Work Phone

_____ Home Phone Work Phone

_____ Cell Phone Email

_____ Cell Phone Email

I have reviewed this application and hereby give my permission for my student to participate in the Tribal Scholars Program. I agree to help ensure that my student arrives at the Tribal Scholars Program at 615 Stedman at 8:00am daily. I acknowledge that per their learning plan through Tribal Scholars, students will return to Kayhi before 12:30pm M-F. In order to ensure that the Tribal Scholars Program has the information needed to plan for my student's learning, I authorize the release of information (including special education services documentation) from previous KGBSD Programs to the Tribal Scholars teachers.

_____ Parent/Guardian Signature

_____ Date



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Student Recommendation

Student Information:	
Name	Date of Birth
Grade	Enrollment: <input type="checkbox"/> KHS <input type="checkbox"/> Revilla <input type="checkbox"/> FastTrack <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Cell Phone #	Home Phone #
Email	
Parent/Guardian Information:	
Name(s)	
Cell Phone#	Home Phone #
Email	
Please explain why you believe this student would be a good candidate for the Tribal Scholars Program?	
Referred by:	Contact Phone #:





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Field Trip/Community Experience Permission Form

I hereby give my permission for _____, who attends the Tribal Scholars Program, to participate in various field trips related to the individual learning program designed for _____ during the 2017-2018 school year. Field trips will be supervised by qualified adults employed by the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District and/or the Ketchikan Indian Community. Field trips may include, but are not limited to, trips to cultural sites, visits to the Ketchikan Public library, Totem Heritage Center, various parks, agencies or businesses within the community. Transportation for field trip activities will be provided by, KGBSD District bus/vehicle, KIC bus/vehicle, public transportation, or Laidlaw contracted bus services.

In the event of an accident or injury, as parent, or legal guardian, I authorize a qualified physician to examine the above-named student and in the event of injury to administer emergency care and to arrange for any consultation by a specialist, including a surgeon, as deemed necessary to insure proper care of any injury. I understand that every effort will be made to contact parent or guardian to explain the nature of the problem prior to any involved treatment. In the event it becomes necessary for the Tribal Scholars staff-in-charge to obtain emergency care for your student, neither the staff-in-charge, the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District, or Ketchikan Indian Community assumes financial liability for expenses incurred because of accident, injury, illness, and/or unforeseen circumstances.

Please complete the following:

Student Physical Address:	
Student home phone:	
Date of Birth:	
Any medical conditions the student may have including allergies:	
Parent/Guardian contact numbers—home, work, cell, etc.	
In the event of an emergency, two contacts-names and phone numbers, in case a parent/guardian cannot be contacted.	

I have read the attached permission form and understand that the Tribal Scholars Program will make every reasonable effort to provide a safe environment during any field trip. As the parent/guardian of the above named student I understand that there are inherent risks associated with participation in these activities including physical injury, and/or other consequences. ***I acknowledge that school rules apply on all field trips.*** This permission form expires at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

 Signature of parent or guardian

 Date