



# Isleta Pueblo News

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December 2023

## Governor's Report

Maguwam,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health. We are fast approaching into the holiday season, and we hope to look forward to the Christmas Holiday. I want to remind everyone if you are feeling sick, please stay home to prevent the spread of any illness.

I would like to offer my apology for canceling the Community Meeting that was set for November 19, 2023. There were many conflicting events over the weekend that caused us to postpone for a more opportune time. Be on the lookout for more information.

There are many projects ongoing or set to start on the Pueblo. On Tribal Road 82, drilling has begun for the New Well Project. We will also be gearing up on another water line project on Tribal Road 90 and is tentatively set to begin mid-December.

I met with Assistant Secretary Connor to discuss a number of projects the Pueblo is working on with the Army Corps of Engineers. In particular, we discussed projects at Pottery Mound and several new funding opportunities for bosque and acequia restoration work that we hope to implement soon.



I also met with Army Corps leadership in the Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program (NALEMP), who visited the Pueblo from Washington D.C. I took them on a tour of several sites around the Pueblo and discussed the importance of cleaning up federal munitions debris on the Pueblo.



We ask you to please avoid the areas immediately west of the diversion dam. The machinery to repair the culvert underneath NM 147 must operate 24/7. The equipment may be dangerous, please stay away and exercise caution.

I would like to thank all tribal members and the Head Start children who attended and participated with our traditional dance at the Isleta Cultural Center for their Open House on Friday, November 17, 2023.

I would like to thank the Village of Bosque Farms who invited the Governor's office to attend the Native American Heritage event. I had the pleasure of giving the Opening Prayer and again, was so happy to see our children from the Head Start participate with our traditional dances.

We will also be having our Ham Distribution on Monday, December 11 and Tuesday, December 12, 2023 from 8:00am-6:00pm at the Recreation Center, see flyer with more information. Last, I want to send my condolences to the families of those who have lost their family members during the month of November.

Ha-Wuh

Max A. Zuni, Governor, Pueblo of Isleta



## Ham Distribution

**DATES:** Monday, December 11, 2023

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

**WHERE:** Isleta Pueblo Recreation Center

**TIME:** 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**FOR:** Tribal members residing in Isleta Pueblo, Los Lunas, Belen, Bosque Farms, Albuquerque, Rio Rancho and Bernalillo ONLY

We ask you provide proof of tribal membership and residency. Only 1 ham per head of household. The ham distribution is only on December 11 and 12, 2023 NO EXCEPTIONS.

Thank you.

  
Max A. Zuni

## PUEBLO OF ISLETA REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB) NO. 513-09-7621-5016-CS NM314/NM45/NM317 RE-ALIGNMENT CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

The Pueblo of Isleta (POI) Transportation Services Department is requesting proposals from qualified construction contractors to provide Construction Services for the Pueblo's NM314/45/317 Re-Alignment Project.

A Pre-Proposal Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 2023; 9:30 AM local time at the Pueblo of Isleta Facilities Maintenance and Operations Building Conference Room, located south of the Isleta Golf Course on Highway 47. The pre-proposal meeting is mandatory to ensure the project content is understood. Proposals are due no later than Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 2:00 PM local time. Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

<https://bhitracker.bhinc.com>

Requests for additional information or questions can be submitted to the following individuals:

Dale Kleinsmith  
Construction Operations Department Transportation Engineer  
Pueblo of Isleta

Email: [Dale.Kleinsmith@isletapueblo.com](mailto:Dale.Kleinsmith@isletapueblo.com)  
Phone: (505) 869-4965

Mary C Montoya  
Procurement Senior Buyer  
Email: [Mary.Montoya@isletapueblo.com](mailto:Mary.Montoya@isletapueblo.com)  
Phone: (505)-869-9831

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

**DEADLINE for January Newsletter articles is set for Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 4:30 pm.** Articles may be dropped off at the Library or emailed to [Nathaniel.Lujan@isletapueblo.com](mailto:Nathaniel.Lujan@isletapueblo.com). Should you email your article, expect a confirmation email. If you do not receive a confirmation email, odds are it never made it to me and then it’s time to panic, so call Nate at 505.869.9808.

People who wish to submit an article or flyer are responsible for generating their own article or flyer. Should you need help, please call the Library at 505.869.9808 and set up a date and time to sit down with a Library staff member who will help you throughout the process. The Library will NOT accept notes dropped off at the Library or information over the phone to generate your article.

**PROBATES** need to be published in the Newsletter for two consecutive months. Probates are considered court documents, therefore, all submitters must provide: 1) Name of Deceased, 2) Date of Deceased 3) Court Case # and 4) Date of Court Date. A Probate form can be found on the Newsletter Archive page at <http://www.isletapueblo.com/newsletters.html>.

**CLASSIFIED ADS:** The new administration has requested that the Newsletter start a Classified Ad section for Tribal members selling land, houses, mobile homes, vehicles, and farm equipment. Leasing of houses and mobile homes will be accepted. Smaller items which can be sold at the local flea markets or weekly yard sales will NOT be accepted.

Currently, this service is FREE to Tribal members. Land, houses, and mobile homes must be within the reservation boundaries. Ads must meet the 160 character limit. Ads that exceed the 160 characters will NOT be submitted into the Newsletter. A single picture may be submitted with the ad. Submitters of classified ads are responsible for generating their own ads as this is a FREE service.

As a reminder, Tribal business owners may submit a small flyer at no charge. Like the classified ads, business owners are responsible for generating their own flyers as this is a FREE service.

Classified ads and business flyers will be posted no more than two consecutive months. In the event where the Newsletter may exceed the 24-page limit, classified ads and business flyers will be “bumped” for newsletter articles. Again, this is a FREE service for Tribal members.

The Isleta Newsletter is owned and operated by the Pueblo of Isleta. Therefore, the Governor of the Pueblo of Isleta has the final say of all articles and contents within the Isleta Newsletter.

For additional questions, you may call the Library and speak with Nate or Diane at 505.869.9808.

Thank you,  
Nathaniel Lujan

Newsletters may be found at the fifteen distribution locations listed below. Remember, Digital copies of the Newsletter may be obtained from the Newsletter archive at <http://www.isletapueblo.com/newsletters.html>

The fifteen Newsletter distribution locations are:

1.

TR 2 & TR 22 - Chical SE of Community Hall

2.

TR 10 - Behind the old 47 Sales

3.

TR 1 & TR 5 – Ranchitos / Bosque Farms Reservations Line

4.

Ranchitos Park

5.

Post Office - Big Tree

6.

TR 82 & TR 84 - Teller Road

7.

TR 78 & TR 82 - Carlos Trujillo Sr.

8.

TR 90 @ Y - CF Padilla

9.

Mouse Town Park –

10.

Health Center – South end of Health Center Parking lot

11.

Library Sunlight & Moonlight Intersection

12.

TR 6 - 47 Intersection


13.

TR 12 - 47 & 147 intersection (Old Smoke & Save)

14.

TR 71 & TR 54 @ Y - Holiday Robot / Paved Road / Railroad Tracks

15.

TR 45 & TR 40 @ Y - Tata Mel (POI Signage)
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PROBATES

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:  
Renee Michelle Piro

Case No. CV-PR-0002-2023

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of Renee Michelle Piro, deceased 02/1/2021, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for Wednesday, November 22, 2023 at 1:30 pm at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:  
Gloria M. Abeita

Case No. CV-PR-0115-2023

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of Gloria M. Abeita, deceased 08/22/2023, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for TBD at TBD at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

TRIBAL COURT

Isleta Tribal Court is pleased to announce that on November 17, 2023, Chief Judge Felicia L. Jojola was duly appointed to the Tribal-State Judicial Consortium.

The Tribal-State Judicial Consortium is an advisory board of the Supreme Court of New Mexico.

The Tribal-State Judicial Consortium is composed of fourteen (14) members appointed by the Supreme Court. The fourteen (14) members are selected with orders that seven members be comprised of District Court, Metropolitan Court, and Magistrate Court Judges, and the other seven being Tribal Court Judges. Associate Justice Brianna Zamora, of the Supreme Court of New Mexico oversees the consortium as the liaison.

The Tribal-State Judicial Consortium builds relationships and maintains communication between state courts and tribal courts, to assure that matters of jurisdiction and sovereignty are maintained, while establishing a working relationship to uphold the law to maintain justice for all.

Chief Judge Jojola is profoundly honored to represent the Pueblo of Isleta as one of the 14 Judges called on to serve a 3-year term as a member of the Tribal-State Judicial Consortium.

Isleta Tribal Court Wishes you all a Merry Christmas!

ISLETA STRONG


STAY INFORMED

NEW QR CODE FOR TEXT UPDATES

PUEBLO OF ISLETA


is launching a text messaging system to keep you informed about important events or incidents concerning the Pueblo of Isleta.

To signup, just scan the following QR code or if you prefer send a text with the word "SUBSCRIBE" to 855-233-9179



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PUEBLO OF ISLETA





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call Tutor Doctor at (505) 545-8500

WATER RESOURCES DIVISION /  
NATURAL RESOURCES

Highway 147 Drain Pipe Replacement

The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy has begun on-site activities to replace a failed drainage pipe beneath Highway 147. The project is scheduled from this November to March 2024. Currently, the groundwater level in the project area is being lowered with dewatering pumps and the pumped water is discharged to the Rio Grande, Isleta Riverside Drain, and the Belen Highline Canal. The dewatering pumps will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for the duration of the project. Please be aware that there are high voltage generators and the associated electric lines and conduits at the site, and non-authorized foot traffic within the project area should generally be avoided, as well as, avoid tampering with the generators and other equipment. The result of the project will be a new 42-inch pipe beneath Highway 147 that connects the Isleta Riverside Drain from North to South. Moreover, the project will directly benefit tribal farmers on the Acequia Madre, as well as providing a repair solution to the collapsed pipe issue without interfering with local traffic.


DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL  
& HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ISLETA PUEBLO CULTURAL CENTER  
WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL  
THE ISLETA PUEBLO COMMUNITY FOR  
ATTENDING THE  
HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE!

....AND A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR  
VOLUNTEERS  
ISLETA ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS CAROLERS  
ISLETA PUEBLO HEADSTART DANCERS  
TATA MICHAEL ABEITA DRUMMER  
TIWA SANTA CLAUSE JUDY ABEITA-CHAVEZ  
MRS. RICHARD JARAMILLO

ISLETA CHR VOLUNTEERS NADINE CHIWewe  
JULIANN ROMERO BEATRICE VALLO  
NANCY GONZALES AND OUR VOLUNTEER FROM  
BELEN ERIC SORENSEN LORRAINE JARAMILLO  
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT  
AND PARTICIPATION!  
THANK YOU TO RUFFLES BAKED GOODS

Isleta Pueblo Cultural Center  
CALL FOR NEW Isleta Pueblo ARTIST WORK  
FOR CULTURAL CENTER DISPLAY CASES  
Please bring works to fit space  
size 4ft. width and 7ft. height  
ALL TYPES OF ARTWORK WELCOME!  
Please make an appointment with  
Isleta Pueblo Cultural Center  
@ 505-869-9767



**what it's like  
to be me**

**YOUTH PUSH PIN EXHIBIT**

**NOV 8, 2023 - JAN 8, 2023**

The Poeh Cultural Center is thrilled to announce our upcoming Youth Push Pin Art Exhibit, "What It's Like To Be Me". This exhibit aims to provide a platform for youth to express themselves, share their unique perspectives, and showcase their artistic abilities. We encourage young artists to submit their artwork to be displayed and celebrated in this exciting event!

**Opening Nov 8, 2023 at 4PM - 6PM**

**GUIDELINES:**

- All visual art forms are welcome, including painting, drawing, photography, and digital art. 3D art must be able to hang.
- No Age Limit
- Works cannot exceed 24in x 24 in. Artist may submit up to 3 works

For more information, please contact Daniel McCoy at [DMcCoy@pojoaque.org](mailto:DMcCoy@pojoaque.org) or 505.455.3533



**"Strengthening our Tiwa Language"**

Group Tiwa Language Classes

OPEN FOR ISLETA TRIBAL MEMBERS

Tuesdays & Thursdays

5:30pm-6:30pm

In the Library/DOE Complex

Classes will begin on Thursday

November 9, 2023

For more information call 505-869-9790





Job Postings

Visit us online at  
<http://www.isleta.com/career-opportunities.aspx>  
Fax: 505-244-8232

OUR LOCATION

Isleta Resort and Casino is located 7 minutes south of downtown Albuquerque at Interstate 25 and Hwy 47, exit 215. The Human Resources office can be found on the east side of the building through the Employee Entrance doors.



**SOUS CHEF - 20HCH1**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/23/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**IT INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/17/2023  
Level: Exempt



**IT SOLUTIONS ARCHITECT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/17/2023  
Level: Exempt



**SPORTS BOOK WRITER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/15/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK II (Prep)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/14/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**HDC SPECIALIST (UTILITY)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**ELECTRICIAN III**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/10/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**TRAINING COORDINATOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/06/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK I (Panda Express)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/02/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**FLOOR BEVERAGE SERVER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/31/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**RESTAURANT MANAGER (Beverage)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/30/2023  
Level: Exempt



**SECURITY OFFICER II**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/26/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BANQUET CAPTAIN**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/20/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SLOTS FLOOR ATTENDANT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/19/2023  
Job Family: Gaming  
Level: Non-Exempt



**OFF-SITE ATTENDANT (PW)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/19/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BARTENDER (777s)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/18/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SUPERVISOR F & B (TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/17/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SLOTS LAB TECHNICIAN**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Gaming  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COUNT MEMBER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SPA ATTENDANT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/17/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SERVER (EMBERS)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/17/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**MECHANIC I (Maintenance)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/15/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**GUEST SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/14/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**FOOD ATTENDANT (DAUBERS)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SLOTS TECHNICIAN SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK I (Fat Burger)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/10/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SUPERVISOR F & B (Fat Burger)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 11/02/2023  
Job Family: N/A  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SECURITY OFFICER I**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/31/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**NIGHT AGENT (OVERNIGHT)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/30/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/26/2023  
Level: Exempt



**CAGE CASHIER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/26/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**STEWARD (UTILITY)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/20/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SPRAY TECHNICIAN (GOLF COURSE)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/19/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK I (RISTRA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/18/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**LEAD STEWARD (UTILITY)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/17/2023  
Job Family: N/A  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BUSSER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/14/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SLOTS TECHNICIAN INTERN**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**TABLE GAMES DEALER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**POKER DEALER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COUNT MACHINE TECHNICIAN**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Finance  
Level: Non-Exempt



**HVAC TECH II**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**HDCT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**PLUMBER II**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK I (TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Food & Beverage  
Level: Non-Exempt



**CAGE SHIFT SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**PROMOTIONS MANAGER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Exempt



**BANQUET SERVER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SHIPPING & RECEIVING CLERK**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**PROMOTIONS COORDINATOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**FOOD ATTENDANT (RISTRA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**FOOD ATTENDANT (FAT BURGER)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BARTENDER (TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**EXECUTIVE HOST MARKETING**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Exempt



**ASSISTANT RESTAURANT MANAGER (777s)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Exempt



**BANQUET SERVER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK II (TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BARTENDER CART (GOLF COURSE)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**POKER FLOOR SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Gaming  
Level: Non-Exempt



**GUEST SERVICE SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK I (BANQUETS)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Food & Beverage  
Level: Non-Exempt



**SYSTEMS ANALYST**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Job Family: Information Technology  
Level: Exempt



**SERVER(TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**MAJOR APPLIANCE TECH III**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COOK II -(BANQUETS)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**MAIN BANKER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COCKTAIL SERVER**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**VALET ATTENDANT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**CUSTODIAN**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**FOOD ATTENDANT (PANDA EXPRESS)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**CASHIER (TIWA)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**TABLE GAMES FLOOR SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**IT SECURITY ADMINISTRATOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Exempt



**SURVEILLANCE AGENT**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**COUNT SUPERVISOR**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**BINGO ADMISSIONS CLERK**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



**HDC SPECIALIST (UTILITY)**

Location: Albuquerque, NM  
Publish Date: 10/13/2023  
Level: Non-Exempt



# FAFSA Tips



**USE THE HELP FEATURE**  
Use the "?" to the right of every question for guidance.



**FAFSA ESTIMATOR**  
For an estimate of federal aid, an estimator tool is available. Visit [studentaid.gov/aid-estimator](https://studentaid.gov/aid-estimator)



**FAFSA ONBOARDING**  
As you complete the FAFSA form there is a Q&A section with information that will help you through the process. The FAFSA form takes about an hour or less to complete.



**FSA CHAT**

**USE FSA CHAT HELP**  
If you have problems or questions, live agents are available at: [studentaid.gov/helpcenter/contact](https://studentaid.gov/helpcenter/contact)



**PARENT-CONTRIBUTOR INVITE**  
On the FAFSA form you will send an invite to your contributor to allow them access to log in and fill out their portion of the form.




**FIND NM SCHOOLS**

**RESEARCH SCHOOLS**  
Finding the right school is important. Spend time looking into what each school has to offer you.

- School Size
- Location from your Home
- Amount of Financial Aid

Visit: [collegescorecard.ed.gov](https://collegescorecard.ed.gov)

# FAFSA




**FUND YOUR FUTURE**

Use your mobile phone camera to scan QR codes to see websites

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid**  
The FAFSA is a form you complete to apply for money from a federal grant called the **PELL Grant**. This money can be used for school expenses such as tuition, fees, room and board, books, transportation, and supplies. Completing the FAFSA form also sends your information to the colleges, universities and/or trade schools selected from your FAFSA. They use your FAFSA information to calculate your financial aid need.

**New Mexico** colleges and universities use your FAFSA information to award State Aid, Scholarships, Grants and Work-Study positions offered at their institutions.

**Where and when do I apply?**  
Apply online at [StudentAid.gov](https://StudentAid.gov). The FAFSA form will be available December of 2023. Financial Aid is a first-come, first-serve basis. Each year you attend a college, university or trade school you must complete and submit the FAFSA form.



**StudentAid.gov**



**PUEBLO OF ISLETA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**  
150 MOONLIGHT DR. ALBUQUERQUE, 87105



# Tutoring Services k-12

2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

**W H E N**

WE BEGIN AUGUST 21ST 2023

MON-THU FROM 3-6PM

**MATH \* ENGLISH \* WRITING \* ETC.**

2 HRS OF DAILY TUTORING WITH 1 HR OF ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

MONDAY: ENGINEERING

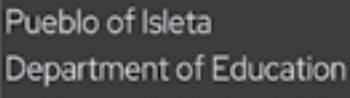
TUESDAY: CROCHETING

WEDNESDAY: ARTS & CRAFTS

**W H A T  
W E  
O F F E R**

MON, AUG 28	FRI, OCT 13
WED, AUG 30	WED, OCT 25
FRI, SEP 1- MON, SEP 4	WED, NOV 1
TUES, SEP 5	MON, NOV 6
WED, SEP 27	FRI, NOV 10
MON, OCT 9	MON, NOV 20- FRI, NOV 24
THU, OCT 12	THU, DEC 21-(JAN 2, 24)

WE WILL NOT BE IN SESSION ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS



**Pueblo of Isleta  
Department of Education**


# TIWA SHAWL WORKSHOP

**Workshop Dates**

- Mon, Nov 27
- Wed, Nov 29
- Mon, Dec 4
- Mon, Dec 11
- Wed, Dec 13

5:30pm -6:30pm

Use the QR code or link below to register:



**Shawl Making Workshop with Tiwa Immersion**

Join us at the Department of Education for a shawl making workshop. Pre-registration required. This workshop is limited to 10 participants dedicated to attending 5 classes.

**\*\*A lottery will be held if there are more than 10 applicants.**

**Register**

[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/weaving\\_shawl\\_class\\_copy](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/weaving_shawl_class_copy)

Or call 505-869-9790



## ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (APS)

Greetings from Indian Education at Albuquerque Public Schools!

Enrollment in all APS schools is open to all students who reside in Isleta with free busing available to the following schools:

Los Padillas Elementary School  
Polk Middle School  
Rio Grande High School

To register, the first step is for one parent to log in to ParentVue, If you do not have a ParentVue account, you can create one here:  
<https://www.aps.edu/students-parents/parentvue-studentvue/create-your-parentvue-account>

Registration for each of your children is completed through your ParentVue account. There is currently a bug in the system for many home addresses. If you have difficulty, please use the school address for Los Padillas (2525 Los Padillas Rd SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105) to complete registration and then work with your child's school to fix the address when you visit the school.

If you would like for your child to attend one of the other 145 APS schools, you can place a transfer request to the APS school of your choosing. As a member of the Pueblo of Isleta, who resides in Isleta, your transfer is given the highest priority.

The transfer request process can be found here:  
<https://www.aps.edu/schools/transfers/new-students-request-student-id-and-transfer>

Please be sure to select the reason for your transfer as "residing on non-taxable trust lands within a 50 mile radius of Albuquerque" so as to ensure your transfer request receives priority.

--  
Phil Farson  
Senior Director  
APS Indian Education Department  
505.884.6392 ext 80039

## TRUANCY

Happy Holidays,

We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families and are looking forward to an amazing Christmas. Before you know it, the Christmas season will be upon us with the hustle and bustle of family gatherings, community events and traditional festivities.

The first semester of school is almost over with, and soon our students will be enjoying a short vacation before the beginning of a new year. We look forward to continue working with our students to encourage and support them in reaching their goals of educational success. Although it may seem difficult at times, each of your goals are achievable with patience and persistence.

Setting goals, time management, monitoring attendance and keeping up with class work are all important factors in becoming educated. The goal of the Truancy Department is to share this information and assist those who still have difficulty attending school daily and getting there on time. Please do not hesitate to contact our department if you need assistance. Keep in mind that the end of the 1st semester is in a few weeks, so be diligent in turning any assignments and attending school to get your class finals completed. GOOD LUCK!

The Truancy Department would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a safe holiday season!



# LOS LUNAS SCHOOLS

is seeking

# NATIVE AMERICAN LIAISON

- ELEMENTARY LEVEL
- SECONDARY LEVEL

## OVERVIEW OF JOB DESCRIPTION

To assist in creating a school environment in which Native American students are encouraged to develop their unique capabilities within the affective as well as the cognitive areas.

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's Degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- New Mexico Public Education Department Licensure as a School Counselor or Teacher

For more info, call 505-865-9636 or  
Apply Here: [l.schools.tedk12.com](https://l.schools.tedk12.com)





## THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IS IN NEED OF

# CONTRACT STUDENT TUTORS

*to offer academic supports for  
students grades 3-12 and College  
courses for the Spring 2024  
semester.*

### Offering \$20/hour!

*Tutors must  
commit 4 to 10  
hours/week*

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

(505) 869-9790  
[ISLETAPUEBLO.FORMSTACK.COM/FORMS/  
CONTRACT\\_STUDENT\\_TUTOR](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/contract_student_tutor)

*We're in need of academic tutors in all  
subjects, however we have a high need for  
Math and Science tutors. If you are able to  
offer support, please apply!*







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<https://www.isletapueblo.com/tribal-programs/educational-services/>



THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA

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GovDeals®  
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Please watch [www.GovDeals.com](http://www.GovDeals.com) starting  
in October as the Pueblo of Isleta (POI) will start  
listing surplus vehicles, equipment, and supplies for

PUBLIC AUCTION



Please note that all auctions will be held on-line only.  
You must register for a FREE account on the GovDeals  
website in order to bid on items. Check back  
regularly for new listings!

Good luck, and happy bidding!

Isleta Little League

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL  
Registration for the  
2024 season

\$50

ONLINE  
ONLY

EARLY REGISTRATION NOVEMBER 20 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

PRICE WILL INCREASE TO \$75.00  
JANUARY 1, 2024 - FEBRUARY 17, 2024

LATE FEE \$100.00 STARTING FEBRUARY 18, 2024

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MUST TURN 4 BY  
AUGUST 31, 2024



SENIOR DIVISON  
FLAT RATE OF  
\$75.00. LATE  
START SEASON

<https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/isletalittleleague>



\*HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE\*

CHRISTMAS WEEK:  
Mondays trash collection: Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup>  
Mondays recycle collection: Wednesday December 27<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesdays trash collection: Tuesday December 26<sup>th</sup>

NEW YEARS WEEK:  
Mondays trash collection: Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Mondays recycle collection: Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Tuesdays trash collection: Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Have carts out by 7am. Have a Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year!

\*TRANSFER STATION HOLIDAY HOURS\*

Christmas Eve Day December 24<sup>th</sup> & Christmas Day  
December 25<sup>th</sup>: CLOSED  
December 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>: 7am-12pm  
December 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>: Normal business hours  
New Year's Eve Day December 31<sup>st</sup> & New Year's Day  
January 1<sup>st</sup>: CLOSED

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Pueblo of Isleta Career Opportunities

Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date	Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date
ACADEMIC SUCCESS COACH	Department of Education	Open Until Filled	IRRIGATION & LANDSCAPE TECHNICIAN	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
ACCOUNTANT	Treasury	Open Until Filled	LABORER (3 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
ASSISTANT TRIBAL PROSECUTOR	Prosecutor	Open Until Filled	LABORER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
AUDIOLOGIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled	LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONAL COORDINATOR	Department of Education	Open Until Filled – Within Only
BOSQUE AND RIVERINE RESTORATION MANAGER	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled	LIBRARY AIDE I	Library	11/21/2023
BUYER	Procurement	Open Until Filled	LIFEGUARD ASSISTANT (3 Positions)	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
CAREGIVER	Assisted Living	Open Until Filled	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	Public Works	Open Until Filled
CARPENTER I (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
CARPENTER III (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled	NARCOTICS DETECTIVE	Police Department	Open Until Filled
CERTIFIED CODER	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
CHILD / ADOLESCENT THERAPIST	Health Services	12/04/2023	PATIENT REFERRAL COORDINATOR I	Health Services	11/21/2023
CHILD CARE PROVIDER I	Head Start	Open Until Filled	PERSONAL CARE SERVICE AIDE	Elder Center	Open Until Filled – Within Only
COMPUTER IT SPECIALIST	Department of Education	Open Until Filled	PHYSICAL THERAPIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE I	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT	Health Services	Open Until Filled
COOK I	Assisted Living	Open Until Filled	PLUMBER	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
COOK I	Head Start	Open Until Filled	POLICE OFFICER I	Police Department	Open Until Filled
DENTAL ASSISTANT	Health Services	Open Until Filled	POLICE OFFICER II	Police Department	Open Until Filled
DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled	PROJECT ASSISTANT	Social Services	Open Until Filled
DISABILITIES COORDINATOR	Head Start	Open Until Filled	PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE INSPECTOR	Public Works	Open Until Filled
DISPATCHER I	Police Department	Open Until Filled	PURCHASED / REFERRED CARE ACCOUNTING CLERK	Health Services	Open Until Filled
EARLY HEAD START TEACHER I or II	Head Start	Open Until Filled	RANGE LAND DATA MONITOR	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled
EMT – PARAMEDIC (2 Positions)	Health Services	Open Until Filled	RANGE LAND MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled
FACILITIES WORKER	Head Start	Open Until Filled	RECORDS CLERK / RECEPTIONIST	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
FAMILY SOCIAL WORKER	Social Services	Open Until Filled	REGISTERED NURSE / CARE COORDINATOR	Health Services	Open Until Filled
FINANCIAL PLANNING & ANALYSIS DIRECTOR	Treasury	Open Until Filled	ROADWAY MAINTENANCE WORKER I	Construction Operations	Open Until Filled
FITNESS INSTRUCTOR	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled	SALES ASSOCIATE	C-Stores	Open Until Filled
GROUNDSCKEEPER	C-Stores	Open Until Filled	SECURITY OFFICER	Health Services	Open Until Filled
HEAD LIFEGUARD	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled	SHIFT LEAD	C-Stores	Open Until Filled
HEAD START STAFF ASSISTANT	Head Start	Open Until Filled	TEACHER ASSISTANT	Head Start	Open Until Filled
HOME CARE ATTENDANT	Elder Center	Open Until Filled	TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled
IRRIGATION TECHNICIAN	Agricultural Division	Open Until Filled			



Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date
TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION TECHNICIAN	Cultural & Historical Preservation	Open Until Filled
UTILITY WORKER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
VETERAN SUPPORT SERVICE MEMBER	Elder Center	Open Until Filled – Within Only
VICTIM ADVOCATE	Prosecutor	Open Until Filled
WATER/WWTP OPERATOR I-IV	Public Works	Open Until Filled



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*Pueblo Of Isleta*

**JOHNSON O' MALLEY**

INDIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

(IEC)

**Seeking**

*IEC Members*

**&**

*Student Representative*

SEEKING INDIVIDUALS WITH EXCITING IDEAS FOR FAMILY NIGHTS AND OTHER JOM EVENTS. INCLUDES STIPEND FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS. BE PART OF REVIEWING AND APPROVING PROGRAM BUDGETING AND MUCH MORE!

Express your interest using the QR code or link: [https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/iec\\_interest](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/iec_interest) OR call 505-869-9790



HR news from Isleta  
Resort & Casino

POI/IRC Health & Wellness Fair – Friday, October 13th in the Isleta

Ballrooms from 9am to 3pm  
o Come out and learn about the new benefits for both POI and IRC team members!

- Enhanced medical benefits for employee family members.
- Enhanced dental benefits to include orthodontic coverage for adults.
- Addition of MDLIVE which offers reliable 24/7 health care by phone or video for medical and mental health support.
- Pet insurance coverage.
- AND MORE!!!

October Career Fair – Wednesday, October 18th from 10am to 3pm in Triple 7's

- Meet face-to-face with Hiring Managers who will be interviewing and hiring on the spot!
- Learn more about all of the great career opportunities and benefits Isleta Resort & Casino has to offer.



For immediate assistance with school supplies, register at:

<https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/schoolsupply2023>



For more information on the services and reimbursements provided by the department of education, visit our website!



[WWW.ISLETAPUEBLO.COM/TRIBAL-PROGRAMS/EDUCATIONAL-SERVICES/JOM/](http://WWW.ISLETAPUEBLO.COM/TRIBAL-PROGRAMS/EDUCATIONAL-SERVICES/JOM/)

PUEBLO OF ISLETA  
**Johnson O'Malley**  
Program

**PRE-K**  
**- 12TH**  
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION

950 MOONLIGHT DR SW  
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87105

505-869-9790

*Merry*  
**Christmas**  
**& HAPPY NEW YEAR**

*Join our Team!*



Scan the QR Code to learn more about our opportunities and additional reasons why to JOIN OUR TEAM!



## From the Pueblo of Isleta Department of Education

### PreK-12 News & Updates

As the leaves change and winter approaches, we find this moment perfect to reflect on the academic accomplishments from the fall semester. Students, take a moment to reflect on the hard work, dedication, and resilience demonstrated throughout these past few months. The Department of Education continues its initiative supporting students through its tutoring program, school supplies, and reimbursements. This semester has included trips to Los Lunas Middle School informing Isleta students about the numerous resources that we currently offer. We have also continued to expand our tutoring program. The Department of Education is striving to support our students in every way possible. This coming Spring semester we will begin holding tutoring sessions at the Chical Reception Hall. We hope this new expansion will prove successful. The first half of the fall semester has been spent visiting the high schools of the Los Lunas Public School district. In the following weeks I hope to place some visits to the elementary and middle schools.

The end of the semester will be celebrated with one of our Family Nights. Family Night will take place on December 20th 5pm-8pm at the Chical Reception Hall. This event seeks to highlight Christmas season within our state. We look to provide a fun and safe environment for your family to celebrate this Christmas season. If you wish to sign up for this fun event, please register using the QR Code. We hope to see your family there.



### Johnson-O'Malley

The Pueblo of Isleta supports Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) programming for eligible Indian students enrolled in public schools (Los Lunas School District). It is supported by the Indian Education Committee (IEC). Currently serving on the Indian Education Committee are Ryan Hickman, Felicia Jojola, Patricia Lujan and Shannon Torres. JOM a federally funded program and is authorized to provide services through the Johnson O'Malley Act of 1934. JOM supports the educational objectives addressing the needs of the eligible student(s). The JOM IEC is currently looking for eligible community members to include student representatives who may be interested in serving on the committee.

Please share your interest by filling out the form using the link or QR code below or calling the Department of Education (505-869-9790).



[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/iec\\_interest](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/iec_interest)

### School Choice

It's the time of the year to start thinking about your child's education for school year 2024-2025. With charter schools, public schools, BIE schools and private schools there are many options for you to choose from. Education is important and we encourage you to really look at your current school, and determine if it is meeting your students needs. Be sure to research all options!

Many charter schools operate on a lottery system and applications are due in January. These applications also require letters of recommendations. In addition, Santa Fe Indian School and private schools also have entrance exam dates already set with application deadlines in January.

If you would like to learn about the experiences some of our Isleta families have had with various public, private or charter school, please contact our office so that we can connect you.

In addition, if you are considering a private school be sure to look into the type of financial aid they provide. Many private schools provide financial assistance. The Pueblo of Isleta also provides tuition assistance for private education to tribal members residing within a 60-mile radius through the Education Assistance fund. This fund allows for 30% of tuition assistance, not to exceed \$3000.00. To learn more, call our office or visit our webpage.

### Academic Success Office

December greetings from the Academic Success Team,

### High School News:

**Students**, we are fast approaching the last grading period for Semester 1. It is important that if you are missing any assignments that you talk to your teachers to see if it is not too late to turn them in. Even if you are offered partial credit that is better than no credit, just take it and complete the assignment.

For the students who have already been told that they are not going to pass their class for the semester, please reach out to your counselor to get signed up for credit recovery. ***It is best that you make up the credit as soon as possible.***

**Parents and Guardians**, remember that each school district has multiple ways for you to stay on top of your student's grades. Do not depend on your student(s) to tell you if they are passing or failing, check for yourself. If you do not have access to their grades, please call the school to assign you a user name and password.

**Our department** has been working closely with several students at Century High School. Students who have been meeting with the department weekly have started to show growth within their academics. We are very proud of them! With that being said, I would like to thank the Pueblo of Isleta Truancy Department for providing students at Century High with breakfast burritos before their Thanksgiving break.

Not only has the department been working with Century, we have also had a great number of high school students attending our after-school tutoring program. These

students have dedicated their time after school to come in and work with our tutoring staff and it is starting to show, keep up the good work.

A visit to Rio Grande High school was also made in the month of November to provide information to Isleta students. We look forward to supporting and learning about our Isleta students and families at upcoming meetings with new dates set for this month.

As the remainder of the year goes on, I would like to start to meet with families and students through the rest of the school year. Please check your emails for important information. If you would rather receive a text message about our program, please send a text to 505-869-9793.

As a reminder, tutoring is being offered after school until 6:00pm Monday – Thursday. We can also set up virtual tutoring with Varsity Tutors for you to receive sessions while at home. You may use the following link to sign up your student.

[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/doe\\_afterschool\\_tutoring\\_copy\\_1](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/doe_afterschool_tutoring_copy_1)

Take advantage of all the resources and you can to be successful in your high school years.

### First Year College News:

As the semester is finishing up, you should have started to meet with your academic advisor to discuss next courses. As a reminder, to be funded for the next semester you will need to submit your supporting documentation to the following link: [https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/scholarship\\_application\\_supporting\\_documents%20](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/scholarship_application_supporting_documents%20)

Supporting documents must be submitted to the link no later than January 15, 2024. It is important that you check your emails to ensure you did not miss any important information from your coordinator. Coordinators are assigned by last name. Samantha Taylor works with those last names A – J and Fran Mershon with those last names K – Z. As a first year college student, I am here to help support you and encourage you to do your best.

College students can also sign up for tutoring if needed, you may use the following link to sign up. [https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/doe\\_afterschool\\_tutoring\\_copy\\_1](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/doe_afterschool_tutoring_copy_1)

### Higher Education

Happy Holidays from the Higher Education Team. As we are entering a new year, we are encouraging new and returning students to utilize our program.

### Adult Education

If you are interested in obtaining your GED, we can help you. Our department supports tribal members to either take the GED or HiSet Exam. To begin, we will set-up a meeting to go over the GED and Hi-Set exam to determine which program fits your needs. In addition, we will help to create the appropriate account for either one of the exams. Once you complete either the GED or Hi-Set exam we will explore and set goals. Upon completion of either the GED or Hi-Set, we can assist with job skills, and



can help you transition into the workforce or higher education. Visit us and get started today!

Please visit our website to receive services at:  
[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/adult\\_education\\_application](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/adult_education_application)

Higher Education

A friendly reminder, the deadline to submit all supporting documents for funding for the Spring Semester is **January 15th**. Please visit the website to submit all required documents.  
[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/scholarship\\_application\\_supporting\\_documents%20](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/scholarship_application_supporting_documents%20)

FASFA Update

The new FASFA will open in December 2023.

What is FASFA? Free Application for Federal Student Aid, is a form you complete to apply for money from a federal grant called the PELL Grant. This money can be used for school expenses such as tuition, fees, room and board, books, transportation, and supplies. Upon completion of the FASFA form, this form sends your information to colleges, universities and/or trade schools you selected from your FASFA. They use your FASFA information to calculate your financial aid need.

Here are steps to help guide you when filling out the FASFA application.

Step #1- Prep for FAFSA

- Create FSA ID
  - o You will need your social security number, your own mobile phone number and/or email address.
  - o FSA ID will be verified in 1 to 3 days (check your email).
- Gather Student & Parent Information
  - o Parent(s) and student’s full legal name and birth date.
  - o Parent(s) and student’s Social Security Number (SSN), permanent resident card, green card, or I-94 (if your parent does not have a SSN you can still apply).
  - o Parent(s) and student’s separate mobile phone numbers.
  - o List of schools the student is considering.
  - o Student driver’s license (if student has one).
  - o Parent(s) marital status (married, separated, or divorced and dates (month and year)).

Step #2- Tax & Financial Information

- Parent(s) and student’s federal tax return (if they have one).
- Parent(s) and student’s W-2 and other records of income.
- Annual amounts of untaxed income received in the household (SSI, Child Support, SNAP Benefits, etc.).
- Bank statements and records of investments (primary residence is not taken into consideration).

**\*\*If you are planning to attend college from July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024, fill out the 2023-2024 FASFA, use tax info from 2021. \*\***  
**\*\*If you are planning to attend college from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025, fill out the 2024-2025 FASFA, Use tax info from 2022. \*\***

Step #3- Start Your FASFA

- Provide your basic personal information.
- List colleges and/or career schools.
- Determine your dependency status.
  - o If you’re a dependent student, you will report your and your parents’ information.
  - o If you’re an independent student, you will report your own information (and, if you’re married, your spouse’s).
- Provide Financial Information.
- Sign/Submit the FAFSA form.

Step #4- Things to Do After The FASFA

- Review your student aid report (SAR).
- Review your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).
  - o Your EFC is a number used by your school to calculate how much financial aid you are eligible to receive. Your EFC is calculated by a formula established by law that considers your family’s: taxed and untaxed income, assets, benefits (like Unemployment and Social Security), family size, and number of family members who will attend college during the year.
  - o Schools use your EFC to determine your federal student aid eligibility and your financial aid award. However, your EFC is not the amount of money your family will have to pay for college nor is it the amount of federal student aid you will receive.
  - o If you have questions about your EFC, you can ask your school’s Financial Aid Office.
- Make Corrections if Needed
  - o If needed, you can make corrections to your FAFSA after it has been processed.
  - o To make corrections to your FAFSA:
    - o Log in here with your FSA ID. Click “Make FAFSA Corrections” and update your information.
    - o After you click “Submit,” you cannot make additional corrections until your FAFSA has been successfully processed.
    - o Corrections should be processed in three to five days; then you will receive a revised SAR to review.
- Complete your School(s) Admission Application.
  - o Follow up with the Financial Aid Office at the school(s) you applied to. Sometimes schools need additional paperwork or have other deadlines. Schools need both your completed admission application and your FAFSA to process an award letter.

If you have any questions or need help completing your FASFA, please stop by or give us a call (505) 869-9790.

Other Scholarships Opportunities

We **highly** encourage students to apply for other scholarships. Our webpage has a list of scholarships that students may apply for. Please visit our webpage to view those scholarships.

Here are a few scholarships sites we recommend to apply for.

- Native Forward
- American Indian College Fund
- US Department of Interior Indian Affairs
- The Cobell Scholarship
- AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society) Scholarship

Study Tips and strategies to help you survive (and thrive) in College!

1. Don’t Cram!
2. Plan Ahead-and Stick to It
3. Ask for Help
4. Use the Buddy System
5. Find Your Learning Style
6. Take Breaks
7. Cultivate a Productive Space
8. Reward Yourself
9. Review, Review, Review
10. Set Specific Goals

*Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holiday season!*

You may find information about our services and other programs by visiting our webpage: <https://www.isletapueblo.com/tribal-programs/educational-services/> Or you may also may contact our office at 505-869-9790.

We are here to support your educational pathway to success!

Department of Education Team

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Tutors: Nicole, Elena and Sonja  
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Administrative Assistant III: AuDrena Abeita  
Administrative Assistant I: Joy Sutherland  
Director: Charlene Lucero  
Tiwa Teachers: Edna Jiron, Patricia Jiron, Martha Madrid and Carol Lucero



# Isleta Elementary School

Phone: (505) 869-2321      www.isletaelementary.com

December 2023

## National Native-American Heritage Month



Isleta Elementary students and staff honored the diverse cultures and histories of indigenous peoples in grand style during the month of November. Ms. Ceus, the new principal of the school, says this celebration will now become an annual event to give students hands-on history lessons to remind them of where they came from. Our staff and students are a representation of many tribes across the nation: Navajo, White Mountain Apache, Pueblo, Lakota, Comanche, Kiowa, Cheyenne, Seneca-Cayuga, Sioux, and Tohono O’odham.

Isleta Elementary salutes our Veterans! Thank you all who have served and continue to serve in our military. Kerwin Pohawpatchoko (Army), Diane Leon (Air Force), and Ricardo Yzquierdo (Army).



## Students and staff wore their native attire for “Roc Your Mocs Week!”



THANK YOU: Parents, Guardians, and Volunteers...Native Horno baking was a SUCCESS!

On November 9<sup>th</sup> we began our baking series with students, staff, and volunteers making traditional pueblo cookies. We continued with oven bread and will finish with pueblo pies on November 29<sup>th</sup>.



On November 15<sup>th</sup>, we hosted our annual Thanksgiving luncheon. Our cafeteria staff served over 200 meals. The menu consisted of the traditional turkey dinner with all the fixing & fresh native oven bread.







***National Native-American Heritage Month celebrations continue...***



Frybread Friday was November 17<sup>th</sup>. Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Ms. Mexicano, made the frybread dough, some of our students shaped their taco, and the staff did the frying. Students got to build their own Indian Taco for lunch.

***Christmas Caroling for the Pueblo of Isleta Cultural Center***




On November 17<sup>th</sup>, our students were invited to carol at the open house for the *Isleta Cultural Center*. Isleta's very own Ms. Noreen Valdez, and Mr. Kerwin Pohawpatchoko utilized their musical talents and assisted the students in singing a variety of Christmas songs.

*It's always a great day to be an Isleta Eagle!*

***Join our School Team...We Need You!***

We are accepting applications for prospective employees. Scan the QR code or go to <https://www.bie.edu/current-vacancies> for current vacancies. If you are interested in becoming a Parent Volunteer, please contact the school.





BREAKFAST


DECEMBER 2023

Isleta Elementary School

Isleta Elementary School

1000 Moonlight Drive

505.869.2321

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				<div>1</div> <div>Breakfast Burrito</div> <div>Apples</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>4</div> <div>Lucky Charms</div> <div>Dino Bite Crackers</div> <div>Peaches</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Pancake Breakfast Sausage</div> <div>Mixed Fruit</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Oatmeal</div> <div>WW Toast</div> <div>Strawberries</div> <div>Blueberries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>7</div> <div>Strawberry Yogurt</div> <div>Graham Crackers</div> <div>Apple Wedges</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>8</div> <div>English Muffin</div> <div>Pineapple Chunks</div> <div>Jelly</div> <div>Juice</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>11</div> <div>Fruit Loops</div> <div>Graham Crackers</div> <div>Cherries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Blueberry Bagel</div> <div>Hardboiled Egg</div> <div>Watermelon</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>13</div> <div>French Toast Sticks</div> <div>Syrup</div> <div>Apples</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Pancakes</div> <div>Sausage Link</div> <div>Grapes</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>15</div> <div>Scrambled Eggs</div> <div>English Muffin</div> <div>Oranges</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>18</div> <div>Golden Grahams</div> <div>Toast</div> <div>Fruit Cup</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Breakfast Sandwich</div> <div>Apples</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Apple Frudel</div> <div>Fruit Cup</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>21</div> <div>**No School**</div>	<div>22</div>
<div>25</div>	<div>26</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div>	<div>29</div>
<div>**No School** Winter Break** Happy Christmas!!</div>				

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LUNCH

DECEMBER 2023

Isleta Elementary School

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				<div>1</div> <div>Beef Lasagna</div> <div>Breadstick</div> <div>Broccoli</div> <div>Apple Wedges</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>4</div> <div>Chicken Alfredo</div> <div>Celery Sticks</div> <div>Garden Salad</div> <div>Ranch</div> <div>Strawberries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>5</div> <div>Chicken Nuggets</div> <div>French Fries</div> <div>Carrots</div> <div>Oranges</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>6</div> <div>Chile Beans</div> <div>Combread</div> <div>Mango and Berries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>7</div> <div>Turkey Hoagies</div> <div>Green Beans</div> <div>Cucumbers</div> <div>Pears</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Nacho Supreme</div> <div>Pinto Beans</div> <div>Garnish</div> <div>Fruit Salad</div> <div>Cookie</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>11</div> <div>Chef Salad</div> <div>Ranch Dressing</div> <div>Dinner Roll</div> <div>Pears</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Baked Chicken</div> <div>Dinner Roll</div> <div>Broccoli</div> <div>Strawberries &amp; Blueberries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Pizza</div> <div>Corn</div> <div>Mangoes and Berries</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>14</div> <div>Hamburger</div> <div>Garnish</div> <div>Baked Beans</div> <div>Grapes</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>15</div> <div>Chicken and Rice</div> <div>Red Chile</div> <div>Tortilla</div> <div>Garden Salad</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>
<div>18</div> <div>Beef Tacos</div> <div>Spanish Rice</div> <div>Corn on Cob</div> <div>Raspberry Sidekick</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Posole</div> <div>Potato Salad</div> <div>Bread</div> <div>Jell-o Dessert</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Frito Pie</div> <div>Garnish</div> <div>Carrots w/Ranch</div> <div>Rice Krispie</div> <div>Choice of Milk</div>	<div>21</div> <div>**No School**</div>	<div>22</div>
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Parks & Recreation Department

FITNESS SECTION

Well, it is almost time to reflect on the year and all the progress you have made, good or not so good, but you tried and that's what counts. We do hope that you all have an amazing holiday this December and regardless of holidays, your recreation center is still open for you to utilize and classes that are still happening. Spin class is now held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30pm. Classes are starting to fill up fast, and classes will be on a first come first serve basis. We hope you understand and this is a good problem that we run into from time to time. So please arrive early to secure your spot and get an amazing cardio workout. Aerobics Step Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday at 10:00am, and our Chair Strength Classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30am. Also please be on a lookout for some exercise equipment that will be auctioned off here very soon. We will do our very best to advertise this auction for those who are interested to add to their fitness collection. For more information, please contact your Isleta Recreation Center at (505) 869-9777. Happy Holidays and Many Blessings!

AQUATIC SECTION

Isleta Aquatics is hoping everyone had a great Thanksgiving Holiday! We had a successful Fall swim lesson session and are looking forward to the upcoming Winter session. Swim lesson registration forms are available at the front desk at the Rec Center or contact Josh or Jayna at 505-869-9783 for more details on availability and registration. We will be open from 4:30pm until 7:30pm Monday through Thursday and 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm on Fridays for open swim. Morning Sessions can also be scheduled through the Aquatics office at 505-869-9783. Isleta Aquatics is still looking for lifeguards! If you know anyone interested in becoming a lifeguard please call or visit the POI website for the job posting! For anyone interested in information about Lifeguard certification, child or adult swim lessons, and other aquatic programming please call Josh or Jayna at 505-869-9783.



SPORTS SECTION

Hope everyone is doing well! I want to give a quick recap of our 2023 Cross Country season. I really want to thank our Coaches and team parents, Coach Phil Abeita, Coach Kyle Wade, Coach Marcus Martinez, Coach Thomas Zuni, Nanette Mariano, Philana Abeita for stepping up they did a great job. Unfortunately, I was unable to help out with the cross country this year, but I plan to be back next season for sure. I do want to list the runners that participated this year. In our 5-6 year old group, which ran a ¼ mile we had Josie Abeita, Mason Abeita, Ramses Bettles, LJ Lucero, Kamillah Jaramillo, Cadence Jojola, Loyola Olguin, Marisa Jojola, Jeremis Aragon. In our 7-8 year old group that ran a ½ mile we had Leilani Jiron, Nayely Mariano, Mayson Jojola, Kiarah Jaramillo, Elijah Padilla, Arabella Abeita, Mavarro Bitsui, Charisma Padilla, Dacian Threefingers, Miles Abeita, Nora Abeita, Kaiya Toya, Sofia-Grace Chavez, Ivy Rose Sandoval, Matthias Aragon. In our 9-12 year old group that ran 1 mile we had Kateri Toya, Ambrosio Mariano, Matuis Rodriguez, Maurico Bitsui, Kira Heaton, Jkobe Heaton, Mateo Bitsui, Joey Olguin, Aubrie Hermosillo, Antonio Lucero. We definitely want to recognize all of these participants for their hard work and dedication to the Cross Country Team. As a team we had a very good showing at the finals, the finals were held at Zia Pueblo. Our 5-year-old boys team placed 3rd as a team, our 7-year-old girls team placed 1st as a team, our 8-year-old girls and boys placed 3rd as a team, our 10-year-old girls placed 3rd and our 11–12-year-old boys placed 2nd as a team. Overall, I think the kids did an awesome job as did our coaches and parents, once again, thank you all for your dedication!



Keep your eyes open for our upcoming events as well. Our Adult Co-Ed Volleyball League sign-ups will start up on November 6th and will continue until December 15th. The Volleyball League start date is tentatively set for January 9th and the games are tentatively set for Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm, so get your teams signed up as soon as you can and come join the fun!

ISLETA REC CENTER



VOLLEYBALL

Co-Ed League

It's time to get your teams ready for the upcoming season

Sign-ups Start November 6th

Deadline DECEMBER 15th

Game Nights Tuesday and Thursday

Times 6:30pm & 7:30pm

Season Starts January 9th

Tribal members and POI, Casino employees Free

Non- Tribal members Fee -\$30 per player

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT GEORGE WAQUIE

505-869-9777 OR

george.waquie@isletapueblo.com

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## Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

On behalf of the library, we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! It's time to treasure the last month of the year. More time indoors can also mean more time for indoor activities like reading, watching movies and learning a new hobby. The library has many materials waiting to be checked out to help you pass the time during the cold winter months. Challenge yourself to read more or get an early start on learning a new hobby or skill for the new year. It is said that it takes only takes 20 hours to become proficient at most skills for example you will learn 80% of what you need to learn to play the guitar in the first 20 hours but to be clear it does take practice after. Come check out and see what the library has to offer, you might be surprised!

### News

The library will be having a staff meeting and Christmas luncheon on Thursday December 21st. The library will be closed during this time from 10am to 1:30pm. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. We will be discussing upcoming programs for the new year and soon we will start planning the Summer Reading Program. Keep a look out for family programs, book clubs, arts-n-crafts and much more for the upcoming year.

The library will be **CLOSED** on the following dates during the month of December:

**Saturday, December 23rd and Monday, December 25th – LIBRARY CLOSED:** In observance of the Christmas Holiday. We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

**Monday, January 1st – LIBRARY CLOSED:** In observance of the New Year's Holiday. The library staff would like to wish you and your family a Happy New Year filled with happiness and good health. Remember to be safe and responsible.

Please keep in mind with the Holiday Season and unpredictable weather, unexpected closures may occur. Notices will be posted and up to the minute notices will be posted on the Library Facebook, Instagram, and Snapchat.

Construction has started on the library's canopy shade area with activity stations located on the north patio area of the children's room. During this time there will be no access to the patio area until construction is complete. Construction should be completed by the New Year.

We are now offering a new streaming service Kanopy here at the library! Enjoy the many movies and shows Kanopy has to offer! To access you will have to select your library (Pueblo of Isleta Public Library) set up an account using your library barcode and pin. From there you will receive 21 tickets per month to enjoy shows, movies, and kids Kanopy is always unlimited. For any questions or information about this service please, speak with a staff member at 505-869-9808.

Guitars are in! The library has new acoustic guitars and bass guitars that can be used in the library or to check out. We have guitar tabs, Skillshare, and books to play and learn at your convenience. To check out you must be 16 years and older and in good standing. Come check one out today but be sure to return all your overdue material(s).



Join the Library weekly for Family Story Time every Wednesday at 10:00am with Edith. Family Story Time is a fun opportunity for parents, grandparents, and caregivers to introduce their children to reading and language. No sign ups required just come in! For more information on this program, please call Edith at 505-869-9808 or email Edith.Perez.Bonilla@isletapueblo.com.


Have you returned your library material? If you have had library material out more than a calendar year an automatic fine will be applied to your library account. If you have library items at home, please bring them in. Return them in good condition and there will be no fines applied to your account. There are four ways to check your library account:

- Visit our online library catalog at <https://isletapueblo.booksys.net/opac/pipl/index.html> and log on. With your library card number and pin.
- Download our mobile app "POI Public Library" on to your device and log on with your library card number and pin.
- Visit the library and speak with someone at the front desk.
- Give us a call at 505-869-9808.


### Upcoming

Take a break from the hustle and bustle or the stress that the Holidays can bring! Spend an evening at the library and take part in a Diamond Painting Christmas Stocking on Thursday, December 7th at 5:00pm to 6:30pm. This popular trend of using tiny diamonds to create a picture can be fun and relaxing. This program is open to the first 10 patrons, 13 and up to register. This program is FREE and all supplies will be provided. Registration started on November 20th. For more information, please contact Diane by phone 505-869-9808 or email at Diane.Abeita@isletapueblo.com.

Attention students! The library will once again be hosting College Nights with extended library hours for students to come in and study for end of semester finals. The week of December 5th, 6th & 7th and the week of December 12th, 13th, & 14th from 7pm to 10pm. Study in our comfortable space and utilize our FREE computers, printing, lap top check outs, Wi-Fi, charging stations and conference room to prepare. For more information or questions, please contact Cheyenne by phone 505-869-9808 or email at Cheyenne.Castillo@isletapueblo.com. More program announcements to come! For up to the minute info on the library follow us on our Social Media accounts where we will be promoting upcoming programs and events.



Pueblo of Isleta Public Library




Attention college students! Feeling overwhelmed by exam stress? Don't worry, the Library has got you covered! This December, you can study late into the night in our comfortable space, which has been made available exclusively for you.


**Library Extended Hours:**  
December 5th, 6th, & 7th  
7:00pm-10:00pm  
December 12th, 13th, & 14th  
7:00pm-10:00pm


**NO REGISTRATION NEEDED**

**FREE SNACKS AND DRINKS!**

FOR MORE INFORMATION / QUESTIONS

 505-869-9808

 cheyenne.castillo@isletapueblo.com



Recap

Library staff member Kyle attended a YALSA’s (Young Adult Library Services) conference on November 9th through the 13th in St. Louis, Missouri. He learned about different library programs and services to help support teens in our community. Kyle is excited and eager to share what he learned and put it to use here at the library. Keep a lookout for new tween and teen programs.

The library handed out FREE backpacks to students that were in need of one, being that it is half way through the year and sometimes backpacks don’t last the whole school year. Backpacks were given out during the Thanksgiving Break. Thank you every one who stopped by to receive a backpack.

Library staff member Edith hosted a Zine & Collage program in the month of November for ages 9 and up. Participants came into the library to make a collage or zine (mini book) at the library. All materials were provided and were available all day! Some inspiration ideas included favorite memory, family traditions, short stories, etc. Thank you, Edith, for hosting a creative program for the community.

We would like to acknowledge our After School Program students for doing such a great job with their reading and staying on track with their homework. On Friday, November 17th library staff members took students on an incentive field trip to Main Event where the enjoyed laser tag, games and pizza. We are currently planning a Christmas Party for our students. Festivities will include activities, crafts, games, and of course food. This will also give parents a chance to get any last-minute Christmas shopping done. Students will soon be on Winter Vacation and we hope students can relax and enjoy their free time. We look forward to seeing everyone after the break for the second half of the school year.

We added a few pictures of our Learning Outside the Classroom for “All Learners Day” field trip to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in October. Stay tuned for our next Learning Outside the Classroom for the month of January. More details coming soon!



*Learning Outside the Classroom field trip to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center!*



*After School Program students incentive field trip to Main Event!*



*After School Program students incentive field trip to Main Event!*





# KANOPY

a new library movie streaming service!

SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH THE PUEBLO OF ISLETA PUBLIC LIBRARY.

- MUST HAVE A LIBRARY ACCOUNT TO STREAM
- 21 CREDITS PROVIDED PER MONTH ON ACCOUNT TO STREAM MOVIES/ SHOWS
- KIDS SECTION IS FREE!!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP SETTING UP YOUR ACCOUNT CONTACT THE LIBRARY AT (505) 869-8119





# Guitars are in!

Do you play? Are you interested in learning?

The library has new guitars and basses that can be used in the library or to check out!

## DID YOU KNOW?

We have guitar tabs, Skillshare, and books to play and learn at your convenience.



for more information contact the library at: (505)869-9808  
email: [nathaniel.lujan@isletapueblo.com](mailto:nathaniel.lujan@isletapueblo.com)





# PUEBLO OF ISLETA PUBLIC LIBRARY

## DIAMOND PAINTING CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH**  
**AT 5:00PM TO 6:30PM**

10 SPACES AVAILABLE  
OPEN TO AGES 13 AND UP!

All supplies will be provided!  
Sign-ups start November 20th!

To sign up you can come in, call or sign-up using our mobile app.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT DIANE  
BY PHONE 505.869.9808 OR EMAIL AT  
[DIANE.ABEITA@ISLETAPUEBLO.COM](mailto:DIANE.ABEITA@ISLETAPUEBLO.COM)





Pueblo of Isleta  
Department of Education  
& Tiwa Language Program

# TIWA LANGUAGE PROGRAM

*Participants must live within the boundaries of the Pueblo of Isleta.*

The Department of Education is looking for families or individuals interested in Strengthening the Tiwa language.

Those interested must be able to:

- Commit 2 hours per week for minimum of six weeks
- Follow language learner norms
- Provide feedback via pre & post surveys
- Willing to actively participate virtually

Please use the following link or QR code to register  
[https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/tiwa\\_pilot](https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/tiwa_pilot)



Please contact the Department of Education at 505-869-9790 if you have questions.

Updated 10/12/23



# TUESDAY'S & THURSDAY'S SPIN CLASS

IN THE BASKETBALL GYM  
5:30PM

CLASSES ARE FILLING UP FAST  
SO GET THERE EARLY TO GET YOUR BIKE



Merry Christmas!

Affordable Connectivity Program


The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more. The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

Who Is Eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program if the household income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or if a member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year;
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income internet program;
- Participates in one of these assistance programs:
  - Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program, including at U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Community Eligibility Provision schools.
  - SNAP
  - Medicaid
  - Federal Housing Assistance, including:
    - Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program (Section 8 Vouchers)
    - Project-Based Rental Assistance (PBRA)/ Section 202/ Section 811
    - Public Housing
    - Affordable Housing Programs for American Indians, Alaska Natives or Native Hawaiians
  - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
  - WIC
  - Veterans Pension or Survivor Benefits or Lifeline;
- Participates in one of these assistance programs and lives on Qualifying Tribal lands:
  - Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
  - Tribal TANF
  - Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
  - Tribal Head Start (income based)

Apply now! [www.GetInternet.gov](http://www.GetInternet.gov)

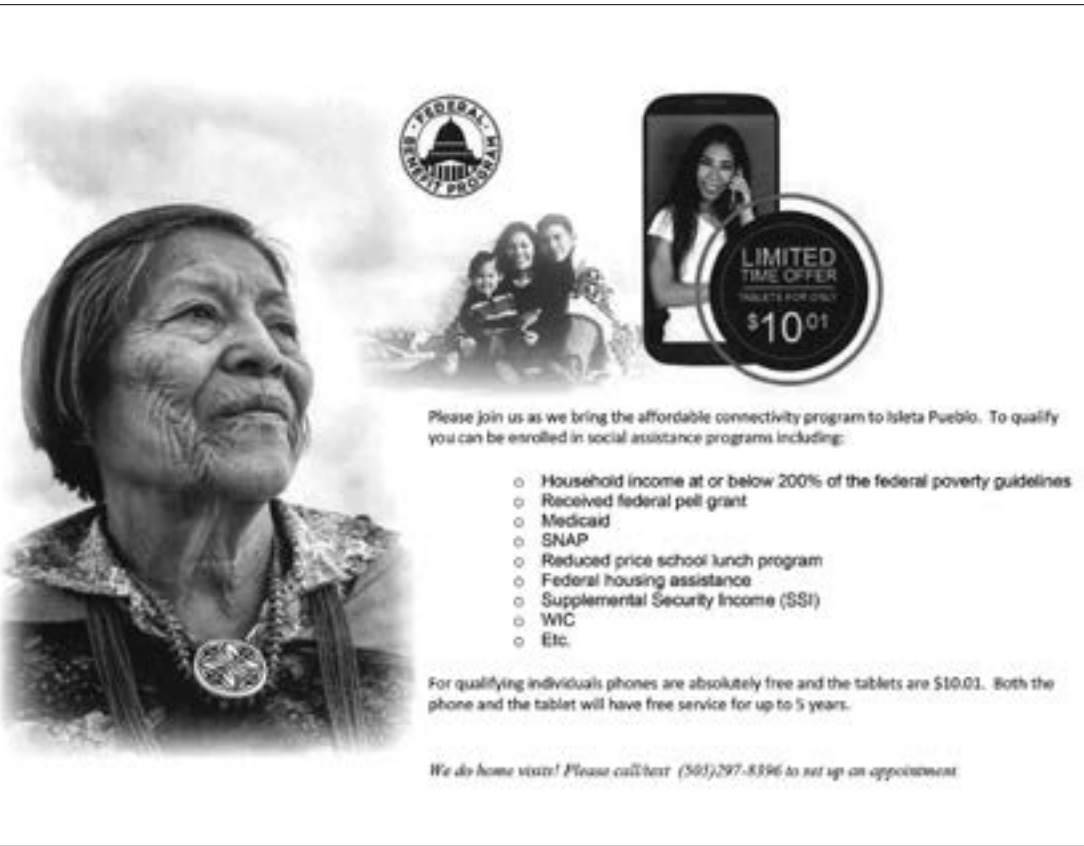


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Please join us as we bring the affordable connectivity program to Isleta Pueblo. To qualify you can be enrolled in social assistance programs including:

- Household income at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines
- Received federal pell grant
- Medicaid
- SNAP
- Reduced price school lunch program
- Federal housing assistance
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- WIC
- Etc.

For qualifying individuals phones are absolutely free and the tablets are \$10.01. Both the phone and the tablet will have free service for up to 5 years.

*We do home visits! Please call/text (505)297-8396 to set up an appointment.*



# INDOOR

## POJOAQUE

# Farmers MARKET

## NOVEMBER-APRIL

### FRIDAYS at Buffalo Thunder Resort • 8am - 2pm



The Pojoaque Farmers Market offers local farmers, artists, and entrepreneurs opportunities at the Pueblo of Pojoaque.

Contact Jazlyn Sanchez at (505) 699-3934 or [jasanchez@pojoaque.org](mailto:jasanchez@pojoaque.org)

Like us on Facebook: [facebook.com/pojoaquefarmersmarket](https://facebook.com/pojoaquefarmersmarket)

Follow us on Instagram: [@pojoaquefarmersmarket](https://instagram.com/pojoaquefarmersmarket)





### TEST YOUR HOME FOR RADON

Testing is the only way to know if you and your family are at risk from radon. Contact the Pueblo of Isleta Environment Department at 505-869-9814 to get a free radon test kit.

Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge

LUMINARIA  
EVENT

FREE ADMISSION

ENJOY LUMINARIAS AROUND  
THE VISITOR CENTER AND  
FREE HOT COCOA!

TELESCOPES WILL BE SET  
UP BY THE ALBUQUERQUE  
ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY.

6:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

FRIDAY

DECEMBER 15

7851 2nd St SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105







Valle de Oro NWR

Fall Calendar 2023


7851 2nd Street SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105

All events are FREE, open to the public, and take place at Valle de Oro's visitor center unless noted otherwise. All times are in Mountain Daylight/Standard Time. Check websites and our Facebook/Instagram pages for more information.



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www.friendsofvalledeoro.org

www.fws.gov/refuge/valle\_de\_oro


-Sat. Dec 2-



Worn Smooth Between

Devourings Book Reading

Join poet, Lauren Camp for a reading from her new book, *Worn Smooth Between Devourings*. The poems offer a testament to land and lack, grief, long love, faith and endurance.

10:00 am to 11:30 am








-Fri. Dec 8-

BARK Ranger

Bring your furry friends to learn about our pet policies on the refuge and take the pledge to be apart of our BARK Ranger program. All dogs required to be on leash and non-reactive around others.

10:00 am to 12:00 pm






-Sat. Dec 9 -

Birds are Real 2.0

Join community members, Haley and Emi for a nature sketch walk followed by migratory bird themed linoleum printing! Register by emailing [brittany\\_chavarria@fws.gov](mailto:brittany_chavarria@fws.gov).

8:00 am to 10:30 am

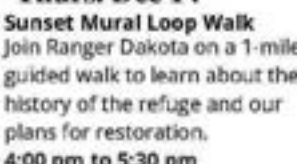


-Thurs. Dec 14-

Sunset Mural Loop Walk

Join Ranger Dakota on a 1-mile guided walk to learn about the history of the refuge and our plans for restoration.

4:00 pm to 5:30 pm

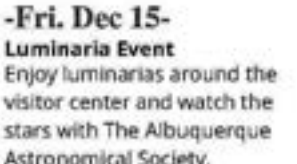


-Fri. Dec 15-

Luminaria Event

Enjoy luminarias around the visitor center and watch the stars with The Albuquerque Astronomical Society.

6:00 pm to 9:00 pm




-Fri. Dec 15-

Nature Tots!

Children ages 3-6 and an adult are invited to explore nature with Ranger Brittany.

10:00 am to 11:00 am



-Mon. Dec 25-

Christmas Day

Happy Holidays from the Valle de Oro NWR and Friends of Valle de Oro staff!

-Sun. Dec 31-

Photo Contest Deadline

Last day to enter photos into our annual refuge photo contest. Request more info and submit entries by emailing [valledeoro@fws.gov](mailto:valledeoro@fws.gov).

Midnight

# MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## WIC NEWS-

Reminder to WIC Clients-Please use all your benefits so WIC can keep its funding. Anyone who has Medicaid automatically qualifies and we would love to see you in our office!

## The Ultimate Healthy Apple Crumble

### INGREDIENTS

- ¾ cup old-fashioned oats
- ¼ cup whole wheat flour
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 2 tbsp pure maple syrup
- 1 ½ tbsp unsalted butter, melted
- 6 cups diced red apple
- 2 tbsp cornstarch
- 1 ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- ⅛ tsp ground nutmeg

### INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat the oven to 350°F, and coat an 8"-square pan with nonstick cooking spray.

To prepare the streusel topping, whisk together the oats, flour, and cinnamon in a small bowl. Make a well in the center. Pour in the maple syrup and melted butter. Stir until fully incorporated.

To prepare the filling, toss the apples with the cornstarch, cinnamon, and nutmeg in a large bowl until completely coated.

Transfer the filling to the prepared pan, and gently press down with a spatula. Sprinkle evenly with the topping. (The topping tends to clump a lot, so break it up into really small pieces, about the size of miniature chocolate chips, to ensure it covers the apples.) Bake at 350°F for 50-60 minutes or until the apples are fork tender. Cool completely to room temperature; then refrigerate for at least 3 hours before serving to allow the juices to fully thicken.

Don't forget it's not too late to get your flu shot!  
ISLETA WIC  
OFFICE 505-869-2662





# Open Skies

## HEALTHCARE

*Offers behavioral health services*

### FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND ADULTS

OUR  
COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT SERVICES (CCSS)  
HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS TO WORK WITH  
INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES.

OUR PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKERS IDENTIFY AND COORDINATE SERVICES WHICH ENABLE YOUR CHILD TO STAY IN THE HOME AND ATTEND SCHOOL AND/OR HELP HIM OR HER TO MAKE A SMOOTH TRANSITION FROM TREATMENT BACK TO THE HOME OR THE COMMUNITY. SERVICES FOCUS ON RECOVERY, REHABILITATION AND RESILIENCY, AS WELL AS BUILDING SKILLS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, LEARNING, WORKING, SOCIALIZING AND RECREATION.

#### CONTACT US FOR INFO AND REFERRALS

(505) 345 - 8471

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[ryanh@openskieshealthcare.org](mailto:ryanh@openskieshealthcare.org)

**Health Beat:**  
**Healthy Foods Express**  
Stephanie Barela, Health Educator  
[Stephanie.Barela@islclinic.net](mailto:Stephanie.Barela@islclinic.net)  
Phone: 505-869-4479


The Isleta Health Center has collaborated with Roadrunner Food Bank since July on the Healthy Foods Express food distribution that is at the Chical Reception Hall on the **1st Friday of every month**. This Healthy Foods Express Event provides free, fresh food to families. The distribution has been from 9am-11am and will be offered at that time in December, but starting in January, due to the potential for snowy and icy roads, the **distribution will change to 10:30am to 12:30pm for 3 months** until the weather is not so uncertain.



Since July, we have provided 5 Health Food Express Food Distributions and have provided food to at least 397 households, with more than 993 people affected by the distribution. The Healthy Foods Express is set up like a farmer’s market, with fresh produce and other food items available for individuals to select. At each event, any new participant will fill out a Client Intake Form for their first attendance and then in the future after the participant registers 1 time, they will no longer have to register again. Road Runner Food Bank needs participants to register in order to show the need for the program and to maintain state funding. If you have completed this form before, then you are not required to complete this again, unless the information was incorrectly inputted into the computer or your information has changed. There is also a Pick-Up Authorization form that is needed if we are distributing food from TEFAP (The Emergency Food Assistance Program), in order for you to pick up food for other households. Food from TEFAP is not always distributed, but it would be good if you are planning to pick up food for others, to have this form completed in case we are distributing TEFAP food that day. The pick-up authorization form will be provided at each event, or you can access the form in order to fill it out before the distribution either on our website, [www.islclinic.com](http://www.islclinic.com) or from the Isleta Health Center.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Healthy Foods Express Distribution at the Chical Reception Hall, so we hope to see you in December from 9-11am and **DON’T FORGET ABOUT THE TIME CHANGE** for January, February and March from **10:30-12:30** or until food runs out.


**NOTICE:**  
Food Distribution  
TIME will CHANGE  
**Starting January 5<sup>th</sup>** for 3 months, due to Cold weather and possible icy roads.  
Jan, Feb and March  
distribution will be from  
10:30am-12:30pm



### NEXT DISTRIBUTION

Friday, 12/1 @9:00AM

### FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION





#### Chical Reception Hall

191 Tribal Rd 2, Isleta Village Proper, NM 87022

**First Friday of Each Month**  
January 5<sup>th</sup>, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, March 1<sup>st</sup>  
**10:30-12:30 (or until food runs out)**

- Fresh fruits and vegetables
- Low-sugar and low-sodium items
- Ability to connect to other services like SNAP application assistance, TANF, and other benefits
- No Cost!



**COMMON QUESTION the Isleta Health Center Billing Department Receives:**

**Why does the health center bill our insurance if it already receives IHS funding?**

We do receive IHS funding but the amount does not cover the growing health care demands. Isleta Health Center billing department bills our patients’ insurance for the services that are rendered within our facility. We are able to do so with the provisions of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (IHCIA). This Act authorizes an Indian Tribe a right of recovery. This means the Pueblo of Isleta has a right to recover from insurance companies the reasonable expense it incurred in providing health services to its members just like any other private medical facility. The difference is the Health Center will not charge you the balance not paid by your insurance plan.

The revenue received from our billing goes back into our facility to keep our high quality care.

-Billing Department, Isleta Health Center



**Administration Services Department: Patient Information Updates**

Please update any changes regarding health coverage, phone number, mailing address, and/or emergencies contacts with Patient Registration. It is important to have patient information updated, as this is how the Health Center communicates with patients, whether by phone or mail. Having patients update their health coverage helps the Billing and Purchased/Referred Care departments ensure that patients’ bills are handled correctly.

**B’eeh K’oo-ee Wellness Center**

As we step into the winter months, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve this community alongside a team of dedicated and talented team members including case managers, administrative assistants, experiential educators, and therapists.

For some, the holiday season is a joyful experience. For others, it is a challenging time. For many of us it is bittersweet as we honor loved ones we’ve lost, reflect on joys and difficulties, share meals with loved ones, and prioritize time with our communities. While we move through this array of experiences, know that the B’eeh K’oo-ee Wellness Center (BWC) staff are here to support you in any way we can. We would be honored to walk alongside you during this season, whatever it might bring for you.

If you would like to explore options for care at BWC, please don’t hesitate to reach out to us at (505) 869-5475. If you find yourself or a loved one experiencing a mental health emergency, please call 988 for immediate support.

Wishing Wellness and Health,  
Laura Ahrens  
B’eeh K’oo-ee Wellness Manager

**Greetings,**


The Dental department would like to welcome a few new staff members to our great Dental Team.

We have a new dentist that joined our team on November 6th,2023. Dr. Jonathan Pauwels, He has been in the dental field for 5+ years.


He has a lot of experience, is a great asset to our dental clinic and to our community. We also have a new dental assistant Phenicia Bahe that joined our dental team in September, she also has lots of experience and is a joy to work with. Phenicia is looking forward on working with the patients in our community.

Also, we would like thank everyone who donated Halloween candy for our candy exchange, we worked closely with NAPPR (Native American Professional Parent Resources) on collecting candy to send to our troops.

*Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas from the POI Dental Team*



Isleta Health Center



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Freedom From Smoking Clinic Program

Session	Group 29 SCHEDULE OF SESSIONS (Tentative)	Date	Location
1	THINKING ABOUT QUITTING <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Name Cards</li><li>Decision Process</li></ul> <i>If you want Chantix, you need to specify now.</i>	Tuesday 1/16/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
2	ON THE ROAD TO FREEDOM <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Studying Your Habit</li><li>Building Motivation</li><li>"Mouseology"</li></ul> <i>If you want bupropion, you need to specify now.</i>	1/23/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
3	WANTING TO QUIT <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Coping with Urges</li><li>Making a Plan</li><li>"I Quit, How to Stop Smoking"<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Bupropion given this week</li><li>Choose a NRT product</li></ul></li></ul>	1/30/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
4	***QUIT DAY*** <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Patches, lozenges, gum given this week</li><li>"Understanding the Problems of Nicotine and Tobacco Dependence."</li></ul>	2/6/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
5	WINNING STRATEGIES <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recovery and support</li><li>Did you call your Buddy?</li></ul>	Thursday 2/8/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
6	THE NEW YOU <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Stress Management</li><li>Weight Control</li><li>Did you call your Buddy?</li></ul>	2/13/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
7	STAYING OFF <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Active Fun, Exercise</li><li>Assertive Communication</li><li>"The Stages of Quitting Nicotine and Tobacco"</li><li>Did you call your Buddy?</li></ul>	2/20/24	IHC Small Conference Rm
8	CELEBRATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Relapse Prevention</li><li>Graduation</li><li>Did you call your Buddy?</li></ul>	2/27/24	IHC Small Conference Rm

LOCATION: ISLETA HEALTH CENTER

TIME: 5:30-7:30pm

FACILITATOR: Stephanie Barela-869-4479



Thinking About Quitting

Have you been Thinking About Quitting?

Now is the time to act and

Quit your Nicotine Habit for Good!

Take this 1 time, 1 on 1, 90 minute session over the phone or in person at the Isleta Health Center, to increase your motivation to quit and to get some

Tips and Tricks to help you do Quit for Good!

Call Stephanie, Health Educator

@ 869-4479 to learn more

Winter Wellness: Staying Healthy in the Cold Season

Nancy Gonzales, Director of Public Health Services

As the winter season approaches, we at the Isleta Health Center Public Health Department want to extend our warmest wishes to our community. This time of year brings with it a unique set of challenges and opportunities to focus on our health and well-being. Here are some tips and information to help you stay healthy and connected during the colder months.

Beat the Winter Blues

Winter can sometimes bring a sense of gloom. The reduced daylight and colder temperatures can lead to seasonal affective disorder (SAD). To combat this, try:

**Light Therapy:** Spend time in well-lit spaces, and consider using a light therapy lamp.

**Stay Active:** Regular exercise can boost your mood and energy levels.

**Connect with Loved Ones:** Maintain strong social connections, even if it is through video calls or messages.

Flu & COVID-19 Season Precautions

Flu season often coincides with winter. Protect yourself and your family by getting the flu vaccine. Isleta Health Center Medical Clinic is now offering influenza vaccine for patients six months and older and updated COVID-19 vaccines for patients 12 years and older. Please call (505) 869-4089 to schedule your appointment.

Nutrition for the Season

Eating nutritious, seasonal foods can help you stay healthy and warm. Consider these winter-friendly options:

**Root Vegetables:** Carrots, sweet potatoes, and parsnips are packed with vitamins and fiber.

**Hot Soups and Stews:** These are not only comforting but also provide essential nutrients.

**Citrus Fruits:** Oranges, grapefruits, and clementines are rich in vitamin C to boost your immune system.

Winter Safety Tips

With colder weather, safety becomes a top priority. Here are a few tips to keep in mind:

**Dress Warmly:** Layer clothing and wear hats, gloves, and scarves to stay warm.

**Prevent Falls:** Be cautious of icy sidewalks and driveways, and consider using salt or sand for traction.

**Stay Informed:** Be aware of weather forecasts and road conditions, and be prepared for winter storms.

As the winter season unfolds, let us prioritize our health and well-being, supporting one another through these chilly months. Remember, the Isleta Health Center Public Health Department is here to assist you on your wellness journey. We wish you a safe, warm, and healthy winter season!

Stay tuned for more updates and information in our upcoming newsletters. If you have any questions or need assistance, please reach out to our office at (505) 869-9720.

Sincerely,

Nancy Jo Gonzales, MPA  
Director of Public Health Services



Call, Text, or Message  
**988**  
For Mental Wellness

988 NM Crisis Support  
988nmcrisissupport  
<https://988nm.org/>



**Reasons to call 988:**

- Need information or referrals for local community services?
- Feeling sad, confused, or angry?
- Worried about your safety or someone you know?
- Service member or veteran & their families in need.
- Worried about alcohol or drug use or abuse.
- Have something on your mind that you want to talk over.

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**ISLETA HEALTH EDUCATION PRESENTATIONS**

Our Goal: Provide health education and peer support to people impacted by chronic health concerns, to empower with knowledge & support, in order to strengthen the health of the community.

**Presentations will continue to be offered on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, alternating times & location**

**TIME/LOCATION:**

1/8/24 5-6:30pm Isleta Health Center  
2/2/24 TBD 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Go Red Event  
Info to come  
3/12/24 5-6:30pm Isleta Health Center  
4/9/24 12:45-2:15 Isleta Elders Center  
5/14/24 Tentative Cancer Survivors Day Event  
6/11/24 12:45-2:15pm Isleta Elders Center  
More Info to Come!

Odd Months: Isleta Health Center  
5-6:30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> door on the North Side)  
Even Months: Isleta Elders Center  
12:45-2:15 in the Dining Room  
Come at noon to Eat Lunch

**JOIN US!**


EVERYONE WELCOME!  
Learn, Support and Be Empowered!

**ALL PRIZES WELCOME!**

Contact Stephanie Barela, Isleta Health Educator  
(505) 869-4479 | [Stephanie.Barela@islclinic.net](mailto:Stephanie.Barela@islclinic.net)




### Welcome Our New Physicians & Nurse Pracitioner To Pueblo of Isleta Health Center




Dr. Ray Kelley

Hello! I am one of the new doctors at the Isleta Health Center. I grew up in Pittsburgh PA and Denver CO, and I went to college and medical school in the San Francisco Bay Area. My partner and I moved to Albuquerque a few years ago, so that she could work as a midwife while I did my Family Medicine residency at UNM. I am excited to be joining the team at Isleta Health Center and caring for patients of all ages, from babies to elders! In addition to routine primary care visits, I can provide prenatal care, knee injections and other clinic procedures, counseling and treatment regarding gender-affirming care, PrEP, hepatitis C treatment, and medication support for patients recovering from substance or alcohol use. I also enjoy working with patients on common issues like high blood pressure and diabetes – especially since we have newer medications that can make a big difference! Thank you for the welcome, and for the opportunity to be one of your doctors!




Dr. Ana Kistin

I grew up in Albuquerque and, after a stint away for college and work, I returned to New Mexico for medical school and residency at UNM. I chose to go into family medicine because I admired the scope of practice, and the fact that family medicine providers know the importance of accounting for bio-psycho-social components of wellbeing when providing healthcare. I have a particular interest in reproductive health, addiction, and palliative care, among other areas. I am so excited to be working at Isleta and continue to be impressed by the amazing staff.



Sarah Hayes, NP

I am proud to call New Mexico my home for the past 30 years. I am an enrolled Pueblo of Isleta tribal member and thrilled to be working for the Isleta Health Center. I bring with me 15 years of nursing experience in medical/surgical, labor and delivery, and most recently in high-risk obstetrics. I am a recent graduate of the Family Nurse Practitioner program from the University of New Mexico. My goal is to work with patients in all aspects of their lives and help achieve healthcare goals to live a long and healthy life. I look forward to meeting and working with community members in the years to come.





DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PRESENTS:

New Mexico  
Christmas

FAMILY NIGHT



COME CELEBRATE A  
NEW MEXICO CHRISTMAS  
WITH ALL YOUR FAMILY

FOOD | ACTIVITIES | CRAFTS | FUN

DATE

DECEMBER  
20TH

TIME

5PM-8PM

LOCATION

CHICAL  
RECEPTION  
HALL

For any further information call (505)869-9790



Isleta Health Center



Car Seat Checks

Where: Isleta Health Center, 1 Sagebrush St Isleta Pueblo



LEARN HOW TO PROPERLY INSTALL  
YOUR CHILD'S CAR SEAT

PLEASE CALL 505-869-4479  
TO SCHEDULE AN APPT TIME.  
MUST HAVE CHILD AND CAR SEAT PRESENT!!



May this Beautiful Holiday Season fill your Heart with Love, your Home with Joy, and your Life with Laughter.

From Isleta Health Center Administration Team: Theresa Papauyo, Melinda Lujan, Dominic Trujillo, Gabby Mendoza, & Natalie Salvador



# Freedom From Smoking

START OUT 2024 RIGHT,  
STOP SMOKING/NICOTINE USE!

## Freedom From Smoking

THE ISLETA  
HEALTH CENTER'S

**STARTS JANUARY 16, 2024!!**

5:30PM IN THE SMALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
AT THE ISLETA HEALTH CENTER



### Weekly Prizes!

→ Nicotine Replacement Therapy for those clinic patients who attend weekly sessions!  
→ Get support from others that are going through the same thing.

**CONTACT:**  
**Stephanie Barela @**  
**505-869-4479**  
for more information or to  
reserve your spot in this class!



Sponsored by the  
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ISLETA HEALTH CENTER



## Health Education Presentation Request

If you would like the Isleta Health Center Staff to provide a presentation, please click on the link below and complete the form:

<https://forms.gle/8cN4DES6D6CJw95V9>

We will try our best to accommodate your needs, however, please understand there may be some limitations.

Please contact Stephanie Barela, (505) 869-4479 or [stephanie.barela@islclinic.net](mailto:stephanie.barela@islclinic.net) if you have any questions.

Eugene “Shubee” Jojola

We, the family, would like to thank the community, family and friends for your help during this very difficult time. Eugene “Shubee” Jojola is missed every day and we find comfort knowing he is watching over us. We are all thankful for the wonderful memories we have and would like to express how thankful we are for sharing your memories with us, as well. He was truly one of a kind and he will be missed but never forgotten. May the Great Spirit bless you all.

Sincerely,  
The Jojola family



Evander “Shu-Oo” Kallestewa

April 1, 2008 - September 18, 2023

If Roses grow in Heaven Lord,  
please pick a bunch for me,  
place them in My Shu-Oo’s arms  
and tell Him they’re from Me!  
Tell him that I LOVE AND MISS HIM,  
and when He turns to smile,  
place a kiss upon his cheek,  
and hold him for a while.  
Because remembering him is easy,  
I do it everyday.  
But there is an ache within my  
Heart that will NEVER GO AWAY.

Our Shu-oo fought a FIERCE battle since February, and although we miss him immensely, He’s journeyed on to be with our Creator and is no longer suffering or in constant pain. We would like to THANK YOU for all the continued prayers of love and support during our most difficult times.

*Hawu, HerKhem, E’la’Kwah  
Ramona, Kelton and Families*



Christopher Eric Zuni

March 22, 1966 -  
September 22, 2023

*As I sit in Heaven,  
and watch you every day,  
I try and let you know with signs,  
I never went away,  
I hear you when you’re laughing and I watch you as you sleep,  
I even place my arms around you,  
to calm you as you weep,  
I see you wish the days away,  
begging to have me home,  
so I try and send you signs,  
so you know you’re not alone.  
Heaven is truly beautiful  
just you wait and see!  
So live your life, laugh again,  
Enjoy yourself be free.*

**With Sincere Gratitude from the family  
of Christopher Eric Zuni**

We extend our deepest THANKS to you for your kindness during the unexpected loss of our loved one. Your condolences and support brought us great comfort during this difficult time.



# ONE LESS WORRY

It is safe to get an updated COVID-19 vaccine and a flu shot at the same time — the sooner the better.



- Flu and COVID-19 are caused by different viruses. Both are easily spread.
- People can be infected with both a flu virus and the virus that causes COVID-19 at the same time.
- People vaccinated against both COVID-19 and the flu significantly reduce their chances of severe illness from either/both of these viruses.

Scan for more information on COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines



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APPOINTMENTS IN CLINIC

By Dr. Hadley Pope

We are excited to welcome three new providers to the Isleta Health Center Medical Clinic. With Dr. Kelley, Dr. Kistin, and Nurse Practitioner Hayes joining Dr. Nelson, Dr. Sapien, and myself in clinic, the clinic is now fully staffed with providers! This means more appointment availability and expanding services. With this exciting development, I wanted to take a moment to review the different types of appointments available at clinic.

**Primary Care Appointments:** These appointments are scheduled in advance and focus on chronic medical issues and healthcare maintenance. Chronic medical issues are those issues that require long-term treatment and include: diabetes; high blood pressure; anxiety, depression, and substance use disorders; asthma and COPD; prenatal care; rheumatological conditions, like lupus and RA; and chronic pain. Healthcare maintenance is the medical term for routine cancer and disease screening. We recommend that all patients (even those without chronic medical conditions) see a provider for a primary care visit at least once per year. If you do not have a primary care provider, or were previously seen by one of our former providers (Dr. Chynoweth or Dr. Tomosie), we recommend that you call medical clinic and get scheduled for an establish primary care appointment.

Children should also establish with a primary care provider. We recommend that all kids, no matter how healthy, see a doctor at least once a year (and even more frequently for infants and toddlers). All of the medical providers at Isleta Health Center are experienced in seeing pediatric patients and eager to care for your whole family.

**Same Day Appointments:** We offer 19 same day appointments per day. These appointments focus on a single, urgent issue, such as: upper respiratory infection (cold, flu, covid); urinary infection; sexually transmitted infection; pregnancy testing; accident or injury; and concerning symptoms like chest pain or shortness of breath. Patients should call clinic at starting at 8am for a same day appointment.

**Hospital Follow-Up Appointment:** After discharge from the hospital or emergency room, we recommend a follow-up with a provider to ensure patients have the correct medications and follow-up needed after hospitalization. We have reserved appointments throughout the week for hospital follow-up. When possible, this appointment will be with your primary care provider. Please contact clinic after you are released from the hospital to schedule this appointment.

**Procedure Appointments:** Starting in January 2024, we will be offering a dedicated procedure clinic once per week. These appointments are for in-clinic procedures, including: IUD and Nexplanon insertion and removal; joint and trigger point injections; and skin biopsy.

See you in clinic!

## Well Child Visits


A Key to Healthy Kids

Naturally, we bring our kids to the clinic when they're sick. Did you know it's important to bring them in when they are well, too?

Well child visits help:

- PREVENT PROBLEMS**  
The clinic team will:
  - Find health problems early
  - Make sure shots are current
  - Review healthy eating
  - Check on the child's safety
- TRACK GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT**  
The doctor will measure:
  - Height and weight
  - How your child learns and grows
  - Milestones
  - Mental and social health
- BRING UP CONCERNS**  
You can talk to your doctor about your child's:
  - Behavior
  - Sleep
  - Eating
  - Growth
  - Ability to get along with others
  - Learning, thinking and problem solving
  - Physical activity
- CREATE A TEAM APPROACH**  
You and the clinic team can:
  - Build trust in each other
  - Help when well and help when sick
  - Work together for your child and family needs
  - Find other resources to help your child

Source: [www.healthychildren.org](http://www.healthychildren.org)




"Well child visits help give your child the best chance to grow into a healthy adult."

### WHEN SHOULD I BRING MY CHILD FOR A WELL VISIT?

BIRTH TO 15 MONTHS OLD			
2-5 DAYS OLD	1 mo.	2 mo.	4 mo.
	6 mo.	9 mo.	12 mo.
15 MONTHS TO 18 MONTHS			
ANNUALLY from 2 YEARS to 18 YEARS OLD			
2 yr. 3 yr. 4 yr. 5 yr. 6 yr. 7 yr. 8 yr.			
ANNUALLY for PRETEEN AND TEEN			
9 yr. 10 yr. 11 yr. 12 yr. 13 yr. 14 yr. 15 yr. 16 yr. 17 yr. 18 yr.			



**\*\*CONTINUE YEARLY WELL VISITS INTO ADULTHOOD\*\***





We are Here to Serve  
Isleta Health Center Team  
(505) 869-3200



ISLETA ELDER CENTER		ADULT DAY SERVICES			ACTIVITY CALENDAR DECEMBER 2023
					<div>FRIDAY 1</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dynamic Stretches</div> <div>11a-12p Secret Santa</div> <div>1-3p Library Trip</div>
<div>MONDAY 4</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Arthritis Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Christmas Decorate</div>	<div>TUESDAY 5</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social</div> <div>10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)</div> <div>1-3p Christmas Tree Decorating</div>	<div>WEDNESDAY 6</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Pool Noodle Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Decorate Stockings</div>	<div>THURSDAY 7</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dynamic Stretches</div> <div>1-3p Christmas Garland</div>	<div>FRIDAY 8</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Make Holiday Cards</div> <div>1-3p BINGO (Entry Fee are Donations)</div>	
<div>MONDAY 11</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Arthritis Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Intro to Fitness</div>	<div>TUESDAY 12</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dynamic Stretches</div> <div>1-3p Alzheimer's &amp; Dementia w/ Cindy Brown</div>	<div>WEDNESDAY 13</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)</div> <div>1-3p Saran Wrap (X-MAS Theme)</div>	<div>THURSDAY 14</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time, Health Check</div> <div>10-11a Pool Noodle Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Build Gingerbread House</div>	<div>FRIDAY 15</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Strength &amp; Balance Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Intro to Fitness</div>	
<div>MONDAY 18</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>0-11a BINGO w/ Karen, Dietitia</div> <div>1-3p Make Snowglobes</div>	<div>TUESDAY 19</div> <div>9a-3p ADS Christmas Luncheon</div> <div>Location: TBD</div>	<div>WEDNESDAY 20</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Arthritis Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Bake Treats</div>	<div>THURSDAY 21</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)</div> <div>1-3p Bake Sale Fundraiser</div>	<div>FRIDAY 22</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>1-3p Christmas Movie Day</div> <div>1-3p Open Presents</div>	
<div>MONDAY 25</div> <div>ADS CLOSED</div> <div></div>	<div>TUESDAY 26</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dynamic Stretches</div> <div>1-3p Board Games</div>	<div>WEDNESDAY 27</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Pool Noodle Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Make Snowflakes</div>	<div>THURSDAY 28</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Arthritis Exercises</div> <div>1-3p Card Games</div>	<div>FRIDAY 29</div> <div>9-10am Breakfast, Social Time</div> <div>10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)</div> <div>1-3p Create a Time Capsule</div>	

<div></div> <div>DECEMBER</div> <div>DEC. 16, 2023 (Saturday) Christmas Party @ The Isleta Casino 60+ R.S.V.P/ A.S.A.P: Limited Seating! 3:00pm - 7:00pm</div>				
<div>MONDAY</div> <div>*ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE</div> <div>PUEBLO OF ISLETA ELDER CENTER ACTIVITY CALENDAR</div> <div></div>	<div>TUESDAY</div> <div>Call or Visit the Elder Center to Sign up for Activities &amp; Trips in Advance. All Activities are on a first-come-first-serve basis. Activities are open to everyone age 50+ unless otherwise noted. * CLOSED FOR ALL MAJOR HOLIDAY'S. 505-869-9770 MONDAY- FRIDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM</div>	<div>WEDNESDAY</div> <div>Call or Visit the Elder Center to Sign up for Activities &amp; Trips in Advance. All Activities are on a first-come-first-serve basis. Activities are open to everyone age 50+ unless otherwise noted. * CLOSED FOR ALL MAJOR HOLIDAY'S. 505-869-9770 MONDAY- FRIDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM</div>	<div>THURSDAY</div> <div>Call or Visit the Elder Center to Sign up for Activities &amp; Trips in Advance. All Activities are on a first-come-first-serve basis. Activities are open to everyone age 50+ unless otherwise noted. * CLOSED FOR ALL MAJOR HOLIDAY'S. 505-869-9770 MONDAY- FRIDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM</div>	<div>FRIDAY</div> <div>1</div> <div>10:00 - AM Exercises:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Card Club:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - SNOW GLOBE PHOTO ORNAMENTS:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>
<div>4</div> <div>9:00 - Blu Orchid: Massage:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - X-MAS WREATHS:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>5</div> <div>10:00- AM Chair Exercises:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Brain Teaser:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - X-MAS WREATHS:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>6</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - DJ Styles: Music Therapy:(AR)</div>	<div>7</div> <div>10:00 - AM Exercises:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - MASS</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div></div>	<div>8</div> <div></div> <div>BINGO ENTRY FEE'S BY DONATION!</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - BINGO:(AR)</div>
<div>11</div> <div>9:00 - Blu Orchid: Massage:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Paint Therapy:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH</div> <div>1:00 - Gingerbread Cotta Pots</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>12</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - Alzheimer's &amp; Dementia:(DR)</div> <div>By: Cindy Brown</div>	<div>13</div> <div>9:00AM - 3:00PM Commodities Distribution</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div>	<div>14</div> <div>10:00 - Walk Session:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Book Club:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - Reeses Christmas tree:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>15</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>No Activities</div>
<div>18</div> <div>10:00 - Arm &amp; Legs Strech Session:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Puzzle:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - Stacked Jar Hott Chocolate Snowmen:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>19</div> <div></div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - BINGO Entry fee's By donation &amp; BEST X-MAS sweater Competition</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>	<div>20</div> <div>9:00AM - 12:00PM Commodities Distribution</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>12:30 - General Meeting(DR)</div>	<div>21</div> <div></div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH</div> <div>1:00 - DJ Styles: Music</div>	<div>22</div> <div>10:00 - Breathing &amp; Balance Exercises:(AR)</div> <div>11:00 - Noodle Hockey:(AR)</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>1:00 - InHouse XMAS MOVIE:(AR)</div> <div>3:00 - Conclusion</div>
<div>25</div> <div></div> <div>CLOSED</div>	<div>26</div> <div></div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>No Activities</div>	<div>27</div> <div>No Activities</div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div></div>	<div>28</div> <div></div> <div>12:00 - LUNCH:(DR)</div> <div>No Activities</div>	<div>29</div> <div>OLYMPIC'S CELEBRATION for Olympians</div> <div>All Day Event 8:00 - 3:00</div> <div>REC Center</div> <div></div>



Isleta Elder Center Lunch Menu 2023				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
*** MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE, BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF PRODUCTS.*** Please call by 9 AM to cancel Home Delivered Meals. 505-869-9770 - Thank you.				
				
12/4/2023 <b>Sausage Minestrone Soup</b> Sausage 3oz Kidney Beans 1/4c 5 Way Vegetable 1/2c Diced Tomato 1/4c Elbow Macaroni 1/4c Fresh Fruit	12/5/2023 <b>Beef Falitas</b> Beef Strips 3oz Peppers & Onions 1/2c Spanish Rice 1/2c Tortilla Garnish 2oz Fresh Fruit	12/6/2023 <b>Pork Loin</b> Pork Loin 3oz Mac & Cheese 1/2c Steamed Broccoli 1/2c Gravy 1oz Peach Cobbler 1/2c	12/7/2023 <b>Chicken &amp; Rice</b> Diced Chicken 3oz Rice 1/2c Diced Onions/Celery 1/2c Red Chile 1oz Dinner Roll	12/8/2023 <b>Chicken Cordon Bleu</b> Chicken Cordon Bleu 3oz Mashed Sweet Potato 1/4c Pinon Sauce 2oz Asparagus 1/2c
12/11/2023 <b>Breakfast for lunch</b> Sausage patty 3oz French Toast 2oz SF Syrup 2oz Fresh Fruit	12/12/2023 <b>Terivaki Salmon</b> Salmon 3oz Steamed Rice 1/2c Terivaki Sauce 2oz Broccoli 1/2c Fresh Fruit	12/13/2023 <b>Baked Chicken w/pineapple</b> Chicken Thigh 3oz Green Beans 1/2c Scallop Potatoes 1/4c BBQ Sauce 1oz Pineapple Tibs 1/2c	12/14/2023 <b>Beans</b> Beans 1c Diced pork w/Red Chile 3oz Blue corn Bread Fresh Fruit	12/15/2023 <b>Meatloaf</b> Ground Beef 3oz Mashed Potato 1/4c Gravy 1oz Mixed Vegetable 1/2c Fresh Fruit
12/18/2023 <b>Smothered Burrito</b> Beef Burrito 3oz Red Chile 1oz Shredded Cheese 1oz Garnish 2oz Fruit Cup	12/19/2023 <b>Pork Fried Rice</b> Diced Pork 3oz Steamed Rice 1/4c Peas & Carrots 1/2c Fortune Cookie Low Sodium Soy Sauce 1oz	12/20/2023 <b>Sloppy Joe</b> Ground Beef 3oz Sloppy Joe Sauce 1/4c Hamburger Bun Sweet potato tots 1/2c Cottage cheese/peaches	12/21/2023 <b>Grilled Ham &amp; Cheese</b> Slice Ham 3oz Slice Cheese 2oz Slice Bread Tomato Soup 1c Applesauce Cup	12/22/2023 <b>GC Enchilada</b> Diced Chicken 3oz Spanish Rice 1/4c Chuckwagon Corn 1/2c Green Chile 2oz Shredded Cheese 2oz Fresh Fruit
12/25/2023 <b>CLOSED FOR Christmas</b>	12/26/2023 <b>Vegetable Soup</b> 5 way vegetable blend 1c Diced Potato 1/2c Stewed Tomato 1/2c Dinner Roll Apple Cobbler	12/27/2023 <b>Chicken Fried Steak</b> Chicken Fried Steak 3oz Country Gravy 2oz Mac & Cheese 1/4c Country Vegetable Blend 1/2c Fresh Fruit	12/28/2023 <b>Philly Cheesesteak</b> Sliced Beef 3oz Peppers & Onions 1/2c Cheese Sauce 2oz Tater Tots 1/4c Hoagie Fresh Fruit	12/29/2023 <b>Breaded Fish Sandwich</b> Fish Patty 3oz Hamburger Bun Tartar Sauce 1oz Mixed Vegetable 1/2c Fresh Fruit

Isleta Head Start and Child Care



Now accepting applications  
Call to schedule an appointment  
505-869-9796  
Ages: Prenatal - 5 Years old

How to complete application

1. Call 505-869-9796 to complete application screening tool
2. Receive a list of required documents for application
3. Schedule an appointment with appropriate staff
4. Bring all required documents to scheduled application appointment
5. Complete application
6. Receive a call within two weeks

Required documents for application

- Proof of last 12 months of income
- Proof of residency
- Proof of child health Insurance
- Proof of CIB
- Proof of birth
- Proof of pregnancy (For expectant mothers only)

DECEMBER 2023				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
27	28	29	30	1
4	5	6	Parent Committee 3:30pm 7	8
11	12	Family Night 5:30pm 13	Christmas Lunch Head Start only 14	Christmas Break No School 15
18	19	20	21	22
*** Christmas Break- No School ***				
25	26	27	28	29
*** Christmas Break- No School ***				
Christmas Break No School 1	PDD- No School 2	Children Return 3	4	5
<b>Parent Committee Agenda</b> Finalize Christmas activities- Santa Visit? Christmas donation thank you letter Plan and finalize February Family Night (Annual Sweet Heart dance)				
 <b>Family Night</b> Topic- Family Engagement Activity- DIY Festive fleece blankets, ugly shirt, or stockings Dinner- Lasagna, salad, garlic toast/bread sticks, strawberry pretzel dessert				