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January 2024

Governor's Report

Maguwam,

Happy New Year! I hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health. I want to remind everyone that if you are feeling sick, please stay home to prevent the spread of any illness.

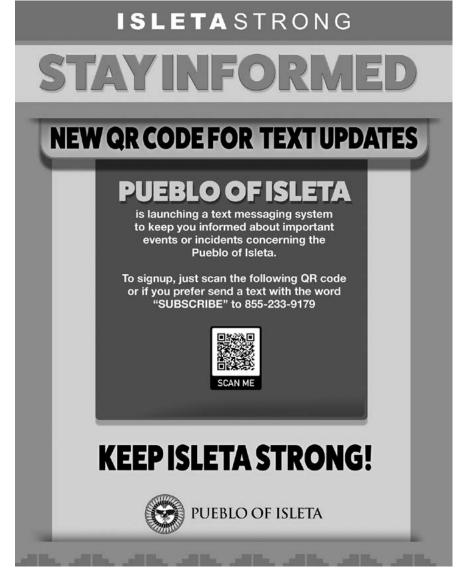
First, I would like to thank you, the community for your continued support of my Administration, our tribal departments, and the various programs and events that have occurred throughout the year. As I reflect on 2023, it has been a blessing to have new events and the return of so many community events that have been well attended such as, the Grand Opening of the Isleta Pueblo Cultural Center, Red Ribbon Run, Rock Your Mocs, COVID Memorial, Halloween Carnival, Re-opening of Palace West, Ham & Turkey Distributions, Pet Food Distributions, Community Meetings, and Arts & Crafts fairs, to name a few. I look forward to the continuation of events and programming that center around our community. The BIGGEST Blessing in 2023 was the return of our traditional activities. Thank you so much for your support and we look forward to a prosperous year in 2024.

Second, I want to thank our tribal departments and staff for their hard work and dedication to the tribe. Thank you for the support and time given to the unenumerated list of events above and the Newsletter herein. As our community grows, so does the work of our departments that, work to meet the needs of the community. I am excited about the projects and programming in-store for 2024, and I look forward to how the community will benefit.

Third, I ask that you please avoid two areas currently underneath construction. The first is immediately west of the diversion dam. The machinery to repair the culvert underneath NM 147 must operate 24/7. And, the second is around the Moonlight development. The equipment at both sites may be dangerous, please stay away, and exercise caution.

Last, I want to send my condolences to the families of those that have lost a family member during the month of December.

Ha-wuh, Max A. Zuni, Governor Pueblo of Isleta



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 onetime 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.

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

(PBRA)/ Section 202/ Section 811

- **Public Housing**
- Affordable Housing Programs for American Indians, Alaska Natives or Native Hawaiians
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- WIC

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 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** •

- 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

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

DEADLINE for February Newsletter articles is set for Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 4:30 pm Articles may be dropped off at the Library or emailed to <u>Nathaniel.</u> <u>Lujan@isletapueblo.com</u>. 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:

PROBATES

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Jose Delores Jojola Case No. CV-PR-0093-2023

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of Jose Delores Jojola, deceased 04/15/2023, 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 Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 9:30 am 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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Anthony J. Abeita

(505) 869-9699.

Case No. CV-PR-0083-2023

First Notice

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TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of <u>Anthony J. Abeita</u>, deceased <u>07/10/2023</u>, 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 <u>TBD</u> at <u>TBD</u> 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: Jose L. Jojola Case No. CV-PR-0135-2023

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of Jose L. Jojola, deceased 04/17/1992, 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 <u>TBD</u> at <u>TBD</u> 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 COURTS

Tribal Court would like to highlight Associate Judge, Darryl Chavez. He has served 22 years as a law enforcement officer. In 2023 he graduated Magna Cum Laude with his Bachelors of Applied Science in Justice Administration, and was appointed to the court in April of 2023.

He has recently attended courses at the National Judicial College as well as attended training along with Chief Judge, with the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. Chief Judge Jojola is happy to have him on the court.

2023 has come and gone and the court continues to provide an effective administration of fair justice and service to the community. Happy New Year and many blessings to all, in 2024.

FAFSA

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.



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- 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)





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

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.** 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 FASFA form.



Isleta Pueblo News



MANAGEMENT Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/07/2023 Level: Exempt



Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 11/30/2023 Level: Non-Exempt



- 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.



MLK DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

The Transfer Station will be closed on Monday, January 15, 2024 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Mondays and Tuesdays trash will both be collected on Tuesday January 16th, Mondays recyclables will also be collected on Tuesday, January 16th. Have carts out by 7AM and have a Happy Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day!



Pet insurance coverage.

o Come out and learn about the new

benefits for both POI and IRC team

AND MORE!!!

members!

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

o Meet face-to-face with Hiring Managers who will be interviewing and hiring on the spot!

o Learn more about all of the great career opportunities and benefits Isleta Resort & Casino has to offer.



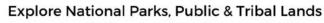
Pueblo of Isleta Career Opportunities

Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date	Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date
ACADEMIC SUCCESS COACH	Department of Education	Open Until Filled	GROUNDSKEEPER	C-Stores	Open Until Filled
ACCOUNTANT	Treasury	Open Until Filled	GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	Police Department	Open Until Filled	HEAD START STAFF ASSISTANT	Head Start	Open Until Filled
ASSISTANT TRIBAL PROSECUTOR	Prosecutor	Open Until Filled	HEAD START TEACHER I or II	Head Start	Open Until Filled
AUDIOLOGIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled	HOME CARE ATTENDANT	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
BOSQUE AND RIVERINE RESTORATION MANAGER	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled	IRRIGATION SUPERVISOR	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled
BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR	WIC	12/19/2023	IRRIGATION TECHNICIAN	Agricultural Division	Open Until Filled
BUYER	Procurement	Open Until Filled	IRRIGATION & LANDSCAPE TECHNICIAN	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
CARECIVER	Assisted Living	Open Until Filled	LABORER (3 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
CARPENTER I (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled	LABORER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
CARPENTER III (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled	LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONAL	Department of Education	Open Until Filled – Within Only
CERTIFIED CODER	Health Services	Open Until Filled	LIBRARY AIDE I	Library	12/15/2023
CHILD / ADOLESCENT THERAPIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled	LIFEGUARD ASSISTANT (3	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
CHILD CARE PROVIDER	Head Start	Open Until Filled	Positions)		
COMPUTER IT SPECIALIST	Department of Education	Open Until Filled	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN	Public Works	Open Until Filled
COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE	Health Services	Open Until Filled	MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN (2 Positions)	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER	Parks & Recreation	Open Untill Filled
СООКІ	Assisted Living	Open Until Filled	PATIENT REFERRAL COORDINATOR I	Health Services	Open Until Filled
соокі	Head Start	Open Until Filled	PERSONAL CARE SERVICE AIDE	Elder Center	Open Until Filled – Within Only
CUSTODIAN	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PHARMACY TECHNICIAN I	Health Services	12/15/2023
CUSTODIAN	Public Works	Open Until Filled	PHYSICAL THERAPIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled
DENTAL ASSISTANT	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PLUMBER	Housing Authority	Open Until Filled
DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled	POLICE OFFICER I	Police Department	Open Until Filled

DISABILITIES COORDINATOR	Head Start	Open Until Filled	POLICE OFFICER II	Police Department	Open Until Filled
DISPATCHERI	Police Department	Open Until Filled	PREVENTION COORDINATOR	Health Services	Open Until Filled
EARLY HEAD START TEACHER I	Head Start	Open Until Filled	PROJECT ASSISTANT	Social Services	Open Until Filled
EMT - PARAMEDIC (2 Positions)	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE INSPECTOR	Public Works	Open Until Filled
EXPERIENTAL EDUCATOR	Health Services	Open Until Filled	PURCHASED / REFERRED CARE ACCOUNTING CLERK	Health Services	Open Until Filled
FACILITIES WORKER	Head Start	Open Until Filled	RANGELAND DATA MONITOR	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled
FAMILY SOCIAL WORKER	Social Services	Open Until Filled	RECEPTIONIST	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
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FITNESS INSTRUCTOR	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled	RECEPTIONIST	Police Department	12/22/2023

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Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date
RECORDS CLERK / RECEPTIONIST	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
REGISTERED NURSE / CARE COORDINATOR	Health Services	Open Until Filled
ROADWAY MAINTENANCE WORKER I	Construction Operations	Open Until Filled
SALES ASSOCIATE	C-Stores	Open Until Filled
SECURITY OFFICER	Health Services	Open Until Filled
SHIFT LEAD	C-Stores	Open Until Filled
TEACHER ASSISTANT	Head Start	Open Until Filled
TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled
TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION TECHNICIAN	Cultural & Historical Preservation	Open Until Filled
TIWA LANGUAGE ASSISTANT	Department of Education	12/26/2023
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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https://www.isletapueb	For more information visit: o.com/tribal-programs/educational-services/isi or google Pueblo of Isleta Higher Education	eta-higher-education/
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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!!

Get exposure to Conservation Jobs and Networks Learn Skills and Get Certified- offer Wilderness First Aid/Responder and USFS Chainsaw Certifications (depending on crew type) \$720-800/week DOE Open to ALL. Must be 21+ at time of start Must have Insurable Driving Record APPLY @ AncestralLands.org/abq Call Amber Chapo (505)494-9084 or Cat Ami (505)225-4721 "Leading Our Nations Back to

Ecological and Cultural Well-Being"

TRUANCY

Happy New Year from the Truancy Department,

We hope you had a wonderful 2023 and are looking forward to an exciting 2024; we hope that the remainder of the school year is a great one. Before you know it, it will be graduation and you will be attending college or entering the workforce. Cherish every moment you experience on your educational journey and hold onto all those memories!

Throughout the year, the Truancy Department worked closely with POI departments to provide services for tribal youth and their families. The Truancy Department worked with the Isleta Elementary to provide perfect attendance incentives to those students who did not miss a day of school - - CONGRATULATIONS to them! We teamed up with the Department of Education to support students that attended the various events they offered; the Truancy department offered gift cards to a variety of eateries to some of the students. We also enjoyed a fun evening of eating pizza and sharing laughs during the last day of tutoring. We would like to encourage our students to utilize these types of support services to enhance their educational skills.

Other events we participated in include:

- A bike safety event with the Isleta Police Department at Isleta Elementary School.
- First Responder Field day we provided root beer floats for IES students and the volunteers.
- Meeting with Isleta students who attend Los Lunas Middle School.
- Meet and greet nights with the Department of Education.

The Truancy Department attended the Valencia County Attendance Conference for "Attendance after Covid" at UNM Valencia Campus. We presented at the Conference on the duties of the department, the causes of Truancy within the community, and resources that we provide with the department and community partners.

Student check-in at the Santa Fe Indian School. We provided our Isleta Students with personal care items, snack items, and duffel bags. There are thirteen (13) students that attend Santa Fe Indian School.

The Truancy Department attended the JOM School Supply Distribution, which was held at the Isleta Elementary School. We gave out monthly planners and folders to students and their families who attended.

National Night Out – we gave out bubbles for the youth; it was a night of fun.

We participated in the Halloween Carnival and gave out light up glasses, rings, as well as different Halloween themed toys.

We attended the Trunk or Treat afternoon at the Isleta Elementary School where we shared popcorn gloves and small Halloween favors with the students.

Lastly, we were asked to submit names for the "Reaching for a Star Event" that was sponsored by the Isleta Police Department. I know that some people were quite surprised to receive an invitation, but the children and their families were excited to be included in the event and they enjoyed a delicious meal.

The Truancy department continues to reward our students with incentives for achieving perfect attendance. Students attending the different school districts are eligible to receive an incentive. Parents are encouraged to call our office to inquire as to how your student can be included in receiving these incentives. The number of perfect attendances at Isleta Elementary school was 21 students, Kindergarten thru 6th grade; the incentive was a twenty-dollar (\$20.00) gift card to Dion's. We hope that students who received a card enjoyed their delicious treat! Approximately ten (10) students who attend Albuquerque Public Schools, Los Lunas Public Schools and the Santa Fe Indian School also received incentives for their perfect attendance. Keep in mind that school attendance is valuable to not only receive an incentive, but also to learn new concepts, learn to manage your time, and to enjoy learning and being successful throughout your school years.

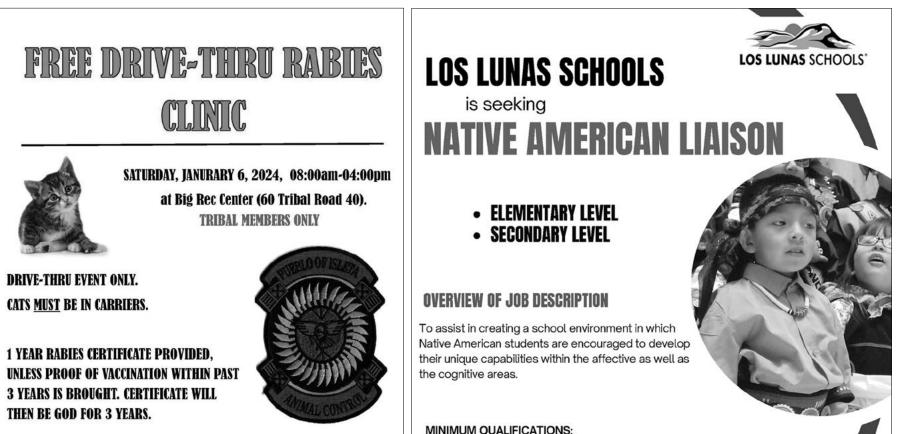
In accordance to our department's Steps of Enforcement, the Truancy Department also sent out notification letters to Isleta students for high-unexcused absences.

- 91 1st notification letters were sent out
- 68 2nd notification letters were sent out
- 19 3rd notification letters were sent out

Once a family receives these notification letters, please do not forget to contact our department. We anticipate the number of notification letters that we send out declines during the second semester of school, as families become more familiar with the services and support services that we offer.

We would like to wish all our students and their families a prosperous New Year!

From the Truancy Department.





WE WILL HAVE MICROCHIPS FOR SALE FOR \$10 CASH ONLY.

FIRST COME FIRST SERVE EVENT, WEATHER PERMITTED.



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: llschools.tedk12.com

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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-yourparentvue-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/newstudents-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

LAND FOR SALE

- 4.782+ Acres
- Tribal Road 10
- Call, Text, or Voicemail



"Strengthening our Tiwa Language"

The Pueblo of Isleta Department of Education and Tiwa Language Program would like to encourage Tiwa language speakers to sign up to support language learning.

We are looking for Tiwa Speakers who want to help our community learn the language and who can meet the following criteria:

Commit a minimum of 4 hours per week for a minimum of 16 weeks Demonstrate a willingness to learn teaching techniques Be open to constructive feedback Follow and encourage Tiwa Teacher Norms and Tiwa Learner Norms

Successfully pass a favorable background check

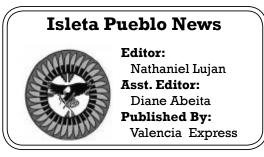
For more information call 505-869-9790 or visit:

https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/language_consultants





Kimo @ (505) 506-3432



For more information, please contact: Elizabeth Bernal, Rural Development Specialist III Rural Community Assistance Corporation ebernal@rcac.org



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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Tis the season of joy and togetherness, and as the festive lights twinkle and carols fill the air, we find ourselves reflecting on the incredible spirit of community that made this Family Night truly special. It is with immense gratitude that we extend our thanks to everyone who played a role in making this Family Night a resounding success.

First and foremost, a heartfelt thank you to the Tutoring staff who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. Your creativity, meticulous planning, and unwavering commitment brought the magic of Christmas to life. From festive decorations to delightful activities, every detail was thoughtfully curated to spread cheer and create lasting memories for our Pueblo.

The spirit of generosity exhibited by local organizations deserves special acknowledgment. Your contributions, whether big or small, significantly enhanced the event, ensuring that it was a memorable experience for all. Your support not only enriches our celebrations but also strengthens the bonds within our Pueblo.

To the volunteers who generously shared their time and talents, we express our deepest appreciation. Your enthusiasm and selflessness were the driving force behind the seamless execution of the event. Whether you were helping with setup, or guiding children through festive crafts, your dedication did not go unnoticed, and the community is grateful for your invaluable contributions.

We must also express our gratitude to the community members who attended the event, bringing their energy and enthusiasm. Your presence and participation contributed to the festive ambiance, turning the gathering into a vibrant celebration of unity. Seeing neighbors come together, share laughter, and forge new connections embodies the essence of what makes our community truly special.

As we close the chapter on this wonderful Family Night, let us carry forward the sense of community and goodwill that permeated the festivities. The success of this celebration was a collective effort, showcasing the strength and warmth of our community.

In conclusion, thank you to each and every person who played a part, no matter how big or small, in making this Family Night a resounding success. Your generosity, spirit, and commitment have left an indelible mark on our community, creating cherished memories that will be fondly remembered for years to come.

May the joy and unity experienced during this festive season continue to resonate throughout the year, reminding us of the power of community and the magic that happens when we come together to celebrate.





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ISLETA PUEBLO CULTURAL CENTER



Department of Education

On Instagram @isletapueblodoe



Like and follow us to get the latest updates

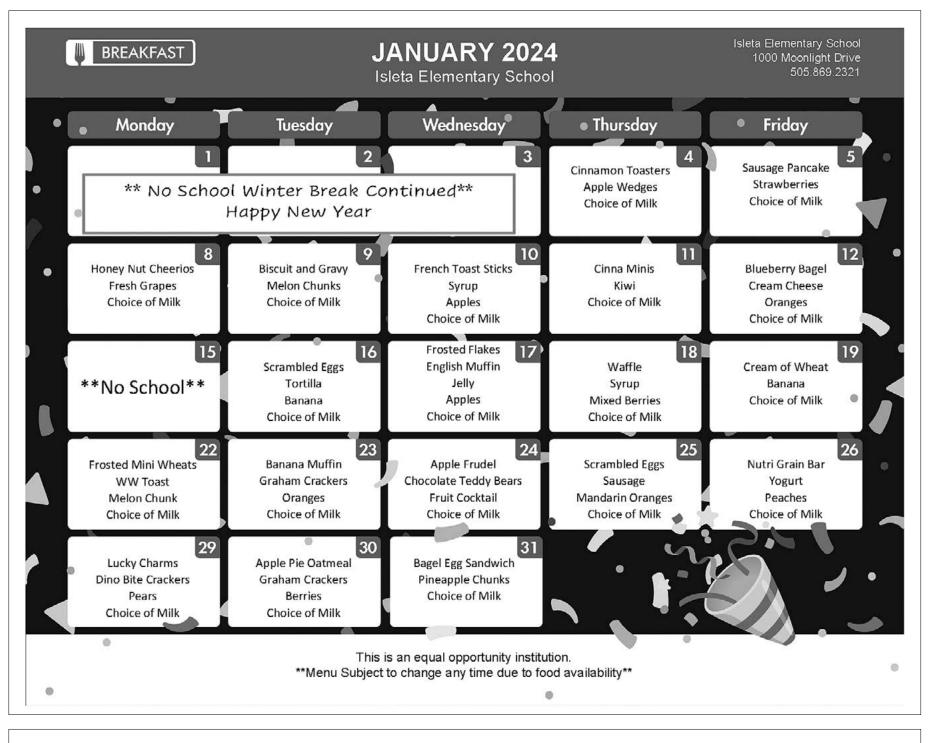
CALL FOR NEW Isleta Pueblo ARTIST WORK FOR CULTURAL CENTER DISPLAY CASES

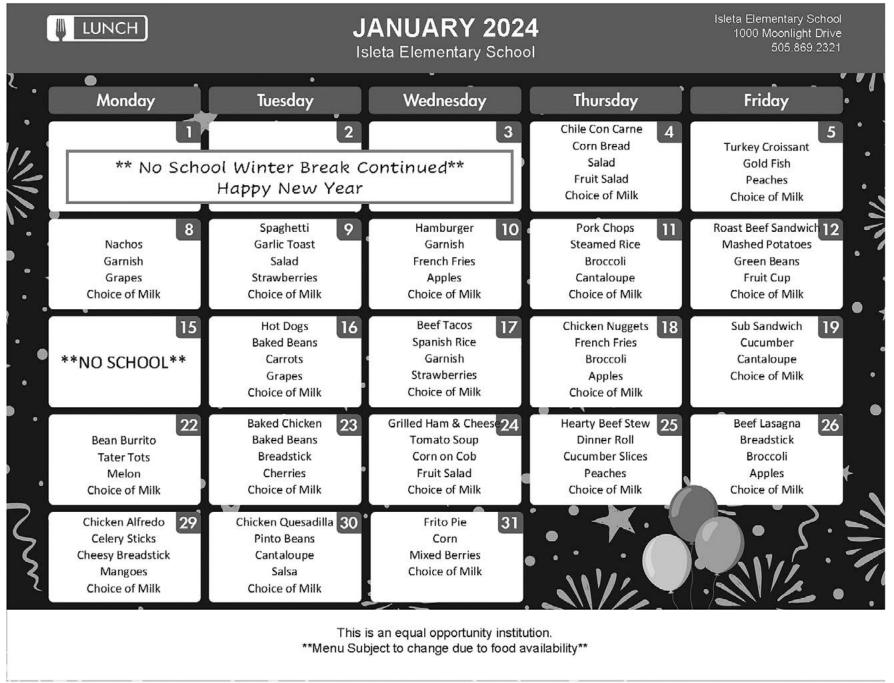
Please bring works to fit space size 4ft. width and 7ft. height

ALL TYPES OF ARTWORK WELCOME!

Please make an appointment with Isleta Pueblo Cultural Center @ 505-869-9768

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News

The library will be CLOSED on Monday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day. The library staff would like to wish you good health, happiness and new accomplishments for 2024.

At the beginning of the month the library will be having a staff meeting. With the New Year upon us, we will be planning programs for Adults, Teens and Children. We will also be reviewing the 2023-year programming and services to see where we can improve.

The library will be CLOSED on Monday, January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. All library media checked out on Thursday, January 11th and Friday, January 12th will have a due date of Tuesday, January 16th.

Our Summer Reading Program Planning meeting will be taking place sometime in January, dates and times will be announced as soon as we have that information. Our Junior and Youth group curriculums will be developed and turned into a 6-week program during the summer. We will be addressing concerns and recommendations from past summer reading programs. Please give us a call at 505-869-9808 and a library staff member will be happy to answer any question or concern you may have about our Summer Reading Program. We will continue to give an update as more information becomes available.

With the weather quickly changing and New Mexico's unpredictable weather patterns, please keep in mind that unexpected closures may occur. Notices will be posted throughout, and up to the minute notices will be posted on the Pueblo of Isleta Public Library's Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat.

We are in the process of hiring and conducting interviews for a full-time and two part-time library positions. We hope to have these positions filled for the New Year. Please be patient with staff as we are short-handed and waiting times may be longer than usual. We apologize for any inconvenience and we thank you for understanding during this time.

Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

We hope you had wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. Welcome to 2024! With the New Year means new programs here at the library and we are excited to start planning programs for the New Year. The Pueblo of Isleta Public Library services, resources and programs are FREE and open to the public. Follow us on our social media platforms for upcoming programs. May this new year bring

happiness and joy to everyone

please speak with a staff member at 505-869-9808.

Upcoming

Join the Library weekly for Family Story Time every Wednesday at 10:00am. 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 library at 505-869-9808.

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 "Isleta LIB" onto 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.

You will need a pin number and library barcode to access your library account online. Speak with a library staff member about setting up a password or password reset. For more information give us a call at 505-869-9808.

Did you receive new technology for Christmas and have no idea how to work it? Book a librarian service is available to you for FREE! If you are having difficulties navigating, we are here to assist you. We can also help with resumes, invitations, and much more. Please give the library a call at 505-869-9808 in advance to set up a day and time that works for you. Calling in advance gives us time to prepare for your needs and helps us prepare for your visit.

The library is in the works of planning another "Learning Outside the Classroom" field trip for the month of January. Which is a library's take on "All Learners Day" where students can make the most of their day and learn something NEW outside the classroom. Stay tuned for more information as it comes available, and follow us on our social media accounts.

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.

Recap

During the month of December Library staff attended a First Aid and CPR training held at the library. We learned so much and the library staff is now recertified for the upcoming New Year.

Library staff member Diane hosted a Diamond Painting Christmas Stocking program on Thursday, December 7th. It was a fun evening and a great introduction

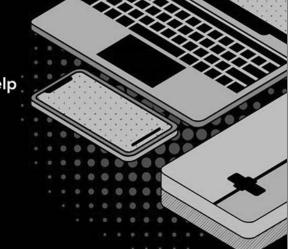


We are excited to announce that construction on the library's canopy shade and play area is almost complete. This means that it will be ready in time for this year's Summer Reading Program for students to utilize. Stay tuned for updates on completion and make sure to stop by and check it out!

We are now offering a new movie 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 help setting up your Kanopy account or have any questions about this service,

services and assistance with:

- Job Applications
- Computer Basics
- Microsoft Office Program Help
- Resume Help & Tips
- Social Media
- Tech Devices



TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT PLEASE CALL THE LIBRARY AT 505-869-9808

January 2024

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to Diamond painting. Participants also learned about the benefits of Diamond Painting. For example, it stimulates creativity, boosts artistic confidence, unplugs you from technology, minimizes stress and anxiety, to name a few. Participants were encouraged to take their time, relax and socialize. Dion's pizza, cookies and refreshments were served to participants. We would like to thank everyone who participated in our program.

We hosted a three-day College Night, and library extended hours for CNM and UNM finals week during the month of December, showcasing our services to College Students. All students in attendance had exclusive access to all our services including free printing, copying, Wi-Fi, conference room and computer lab. The library provided "brain food" such as mixed nuts, dark chocolate, protein snacks, coffee, tea, energy drinks, as well hot and cold sandwiches. We hope these events helped with study times and assisted with productivity. We will continue providing events like this to give College students a safe place to study. If you would like to give advice or suggestions for future College events, please let us know! We are open to new ideas and trends within the College community. Lastly, we would like to thank Officer Yzquierdo of the Isleta Police Department for creating a safe environment during our College Nights. The students were appreciative for the escort to their vehicles on those late nights.

On Tuesday December 19th we surprised our After School Program with a Christmas Party. The library provided sub sandwiches and cookies from Dion's. Festivities included crafts and games, as well as a Christmas gift bag for students to take home. We would like to thank the students for doing their best and staying on track with their reading and homework.



After School Program students working on a Kiwi Co. activity!



After School Program students working on a Holiday craft!





Diamond Painting Christmas Stocking Program participants!



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ISLETA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Happy New Year's! The Isleta Police Department is hoping everyone had a wonderful holiday season. As we usher in the new year, the Isleta Police Department is committed to fostering a safer and more secure community for all residents. The turning of the calendar provides us with an opportunity to reflect on our achievements, learn from the past, and set ambitious goals for the future.

One of our primary focuses in the coming year is to strengthen community engagement. We recognize that building trust and collaboration with the residents we serve, is fundamental for effective policing. Through events like Reaching for a Star and the Halloween Carnival, we aim to create an environment where open communication and mutual respect flourish.

In a response to public concern, Isleta Police will be implementing speed monitoring devices at various locations. These devices serve as a crucial tool in enforcing speed limits and promoting responsible driver behavior. By strategically placing these monitoring systems, law enforcement can deter excessive speeding, reduce the risk of accidents, and ultimately save lives.

We had our annual Reaching for a Star event on December 15th, 2023. Over 162 kids were sponsored and got to experience the true meaning of Christmas. We brought the Recreation Center's gymnasium to life with pop-up decorations, a real-life Grinch, Santa Clause, and Mrs. Clause. We would like to thank the Jubilee Retirement Community for their gift donations, Cheryl "Fina" Jiron for the gift donations, CF Padilla Construction for donating \$1000.00, Lentes Painting for donating \$200.00, and St. Augustine Parish for donating \$500.00 to our event. Thank you to everyone for their hard work and dedication to make each and every one of the children's holiday season special.



Welcome! To the newest faces at the Isleta Police Department;



Savanah Mendez (Dispatcher)



Natania Jaramillo (PD Assistant)





Kaitlyn Romero (Dispatcher)



C-Jay Smith (Patrol Officer)



Autumn Tafoya (IHSP Officer)



Fernando Saiz (OS Cadet)

We would also like to congratulate our newly graduated cadets; William Wilson, Brandon Pecos, and Arthur Geoffrion. We know that they will all

Gabby Mendoza (IPD Cadet)



make wonderful additions to Isleta Police Department family.

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Health Beat: CITRIC ACID

Karen Roop, Dietitian, Karen.Roop@islclinic.net, 505-869-4093

What is citric acid?

Citric acid is a compound found naturally in a variety of foods, such as citrus fruits (lemons, oranges, etc.), cherries, and tomatoes.¹ There is also a type of citric acid that is manufactured from the black mold species Aspergillus niger.² This type of citric acid is added to sodas, powdered beverages (such as Crystal Light), candies, some dairy products, and some frozen and canned foods.¹It is used primarily for flavor and preservation.¹²

What does it do for the body?

Citric acid helps to metabolize energy, enhances absorption of some nutrients, and may help prevent kidney stones.¹ It can also help reduce inflammation since citric acid is an antioxidant.²

Are there any safety concerns associated with citric acid?

Manufactured citric acid is generally recognized as safe (GRAS) by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.¹ However, both types of citric acid can damage tooth enamel² and manufactured acid may cause allergic reactions (due to the mold) or

How do you know if a food has citric acid?

Citric acid that is added to foods is listed on the food label's ingredients list.¹ Naturally-occurring citric acid is not listed on the food label.

Do I need to eliminate citric acid from my diet? Citric acid does have benefits for the body and does not need to be eliminated entirely. However, practicing moderation with foods that contain citric acid, especially the manufactured kind, can help reduce potential for tooth decay or other side effects.

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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 vou.

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

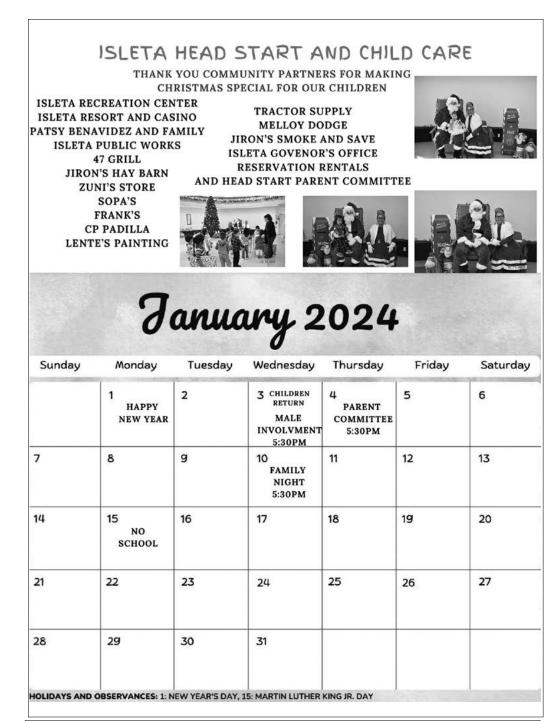
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If you would like to explore options for care at BWC, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at (505) 869-5475. If you find yourself or a loved one experiencing a mental health emergency, please call 988 for immediate support.

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

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START OUT 2024 RIGHT, STOP SMOKING/NICOTINE USE!

Freedom From Smoking THE ISLETA

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 <u>stephanie.barela@islclinic.net</u> if you have any questions.

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.

HEALTH CENTER'S

STARTS JANUARY 16, 2024!!

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



- → 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 Isleta Health Center 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!

"Walking On Diabetes" **Becky Ballard** Becky.ballard@islclinic.net Phone: 505-869-4595

I would like to thank Ms. Barbara Romero who has generously allowed me to envision a program and work towards that vision.



Also, a heartfelt thank you to Mr. Mike and his team, of great vibes! They have welcomed the clients and myself with open arms.

People are certain of where they don't want to go when it comes to Diabetes and their health; yet uncertain as to how to get to a healthy place and continue there. A diagnosis of Diabetes shatters our presumptions of how we thought our lives were going to play out. As a trained professional in Health and Fitness, I can bridge that gap. I have the skills to impart years of study and practice to you. By empowering you with knowledge in fitness you will always be able to ask your body to fight diabetes.

Diabetics know they are in a fight for their lives, their foe is alive and well within their bodies. It is there 24 hours a day 7 days a week, every breath, every moment. I can teach you how to make your body rich with oxygen, thereby decreasing the body's dis-ease. Once you learn how to create and live in an oxygen rich body, the consequences of disease decrease and the possibilities of health return.

Blessed by many Professors and clients throughout my college career and in my daily practice of 30 years, I feel I can be your resource. My methods involve the most basic of movement. It is a program based on how we are designed to move. I want us to build a walking program with many components conducive to diabetes management and prevention. I also envision providing educational teachings with you, one on one, or in a classroom setting. You drive the program's needs. It's all you, what you want, we can make it happen.

A wise person once said, "What you are not changing, you are choosing." I want to impart knowledge that will inspire you to make healthy changes. On a personal note, the loss of my own health was devastating, so my words and actions are drawn from experience. I want to keep you in the present moment with your own vision of what you want your future to be. As we grow on our journey together we will plug into the mental, emotional, and spiritual riches in each of us, thereby engaging your whole person.

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
- Obeck on the child's safety

TRACK GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

- The doctor will measure:
 - Height and weight
 - How your child learns and grows
 - Milestones ۰.
 - Mental and social health

BRING UP CONCERNS

You can talk to your doctor about your child's:

Behavior

- ♦ Shep
- ♦ Eating
- Growth 4
- 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



"Well child visits help give your child the

WHEN SHOULD I BRING MY CHILD FOR A WELL VISIT?

BIRTH TO 15 MONTHS OLD 2-5 DAYS OLD 1 mo. 2 mo. 4 mb. 6 mo. 9 mo. 12 mo

15 MONTHS to 18 MONTHS

ANNUALLY from 2YEARS to 18 YEARS OLD

2 yr. 3 yr. 4 yr. 5 yr. 6 yr. 7 yr. 8 yr.

ANNUALLY for PRETEEN AND TEEN

9yr. 10yr. 11yr. 12yr. 13yr. 14yr. 15yr. 16yr. 17yr. 18yr. **CONTINUE YEARLY WELL VISITS INTO ADULTHOOD**



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



When you start walking and moving you will not be "trying", you will be doing. The oxygen you take in combined with knowledge and movement will be transformational. I will always meet you right where you are, emotionally, physically, spiritually and without judgement, only acceptance. If it means me coming to your home, or meeting you at a rock by the river you love, I will meet you there. My question to you is: Will diabetes control you, or will you control diabetes? By stepping and moving, together we can walk on Diabetes. I hope to hear from you soon.

In health,

Becky Ballard Health and Fitness Instructor

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DID YOU KNOW?

There are no substitutes for blood, platelets or plasma—they cannot be manufactured. Patients in need of blood or blood products must rely on donations from people like you. Those who are hesitant about donating blood for the first time often find that the donation process is easy and that saving lives is deeply gratifying.

One donation can save multiple lives. Here are the facts:

- Just one donation can save up to 3 lives.
- The average red blood cell transfusion is **3 pints** (or three whole-blood donations).
- More than 1 million people every year are diagnosed with cancer for the first time.
 Many of them will need blood—sometimes daily—during chemotherapy.
- More than **38,000 blood donations** are needed every day.
- **Type O-negative** whole blood can be transfused to people with any blood type, but this type of blood is rare, and supplies of it are low.
- **Type AB plasma** can be transfused to patients with all other blood types, but it is also in short supply.
- While **38%** of the American population is eligible to give blood, only **2% actually donates**.



COMMON QUESTION the Isleta Health Center Billing Department Receives:

Why does the health center bill our insurance if it already receives IHS <u>funding?</u>

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



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First Friday of Each Month

January 5th, February 2nd, March 1st

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!











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

Thinking About Quitting Have you been Thinking About Quitting Now is the time to act and Quit your Nicotine Habit for Good! Take this <u>1 time, 1 on 1, 90 minute session</u> 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

Glaucoma Awareness Month

Dr. Ryan Holiday, Optometrist, Ryan.holiday@islclinic.net , 505-869-4581

January is Glaucoma awareness month! Schedule your eye examination and get your eyes checked!

What is glaucoma?

Glaucoma is a disease that causes damage to your optic nerve. The optic nerve supplies information to the brain that allows us to see and has millions of tiny nerve fibers. Glaucoma usually has no warning signs and is the leading cause of blindness in people over 60 years old. In most types of glaucoma, the drainage system of the eye becomes "clogged" or blocked so that intraocular fluid cannot drain effectively. This results in an increase in eye pressure in the eye that can damage the optic nerve and result in vision loss.

Risk for glaucoma?

- Over 40 years old
- Family history of glaucoma
- Hispanic or African American heritage
- Diabetes, high blood pressure
- Are farsighted or nearsighted
- History of an eye injury

What are the most common types of glaucoma?

Primary open-angle glaucoma – Most common type

• No warning signs or obvious symptoms in early stages. As the disease progresses, blind spots develop in your side vision. This disease usually develops very slowly and is a lifelong condition.

Angle-closure glaucoma

- Caused by a blockage of the drainage system of the eye.

• Usually have no symptoms before an attack. Signs and symptoms of an attack are severe pain in the eye or forehead, redness of the eye, decreased or blurred vision, headache, nausea, and vomiting.

• Needs immediate medical attention, can cause rapid vision loss.

Can glaucoma be treated?

Damage from glaucoma is permanent and cannot be reversed. However, medications and surgery can help to stop further damage from occurring. These medications and surgery options aim to lower eye pressure. Your optometrist or ophthalmologist can determine what type of medication is best and if surgery is needed.

If you would like to schedule your Eye Examination at Isleta Health Center, please call 505-869-4080.

Administration Services Department: Patient Information Updates

JANUARY-NATIONAL BIRTH DEFECTS AWARENESS MONTH



WIC NEWS- Congress has approved another increase in cash value for fruits and vegetables. As of December, clients will have noticed an increase in fruits and vegetable amounts.

Happy 50th Birthday to the WIC program! In 1974, the first WIC site opened in Kentucky in January. WIC is available in all 50 states, 34 Indian Tribal Organizations, America Samoa, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. There is also an overseas program available to participants.

ISLETA WIC OFFICE



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

Birth defects can be prevented by taking prenatal vitamins. Women should take prenatal vitamins every day as soon as they realize they're pregnant or in the months leading up to a planned pregnancy.

Even if you already eat a healthy diet, taking prenatal vitamins is necessary to make sure you get all the nutrients you and your baby need.

Minerals most important are folic acid, iron, calcium and vitamin D. Most prenatal vitamins are available over the counter.

Risks related to not taking prenatal vitamins include:

- <u>Anemia</u>
- Preeclampsia
- <u>Miscarriage</u> or <u>stillbirth</u>
- Preterm birth
- Low birth weight
- Neural tube defects
- Developmental delays

Preventing birth defects is simple. Regular prenatal visits as well as vitamins will prevent them from occurring.

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.

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

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Pueblo of Isleta -ElderCenter / AdultDay Services

What Family Caregivers Need to Know

Adult Day Service (ADS) programs can provide caregivers with a needed break while giving elders a chance to socialize with their peers and lessen the isolation and loneliness that elders experience. Our ADS program serves elders with physical or cognitive disabilities who may need more supervision and services.

Arranging for a loved one to spend time in ADS can also be beneficial to a caregiver's well-being. There is evidence showing that elders who attend ADS programs have a better quality of life. In addition, studies have found that both dementia patients and caregivers slept better, with fewer disturbances, on the nights before clients attended ADS. Furthermore, research has also shown that using these types of services has a positive impact on dementia caregivers' mood, health, relationships and reduces their sense of "role overload."

Adult Day Services is regulated by the State of New Mexico, which require operators to obtain a license to maintain a minimum staff-to-participant ratio and to provide a baseline set of services, including monitoring clients' health and assisting them with activities of daily living.

Adult Day Service programs vary in their programs and services. We offer therapeutic exercise, brain stimulation for clients, social activities appropriate for their condition, as well as outings in the community. We provide meals and snacks, including door-to-door transportation.

When to Consider Adult Day Services

When should you consider enrolling your loved one into the ADS program? Studies suggest that caregivers look into a day care program when they start seeing the following types of signs from a loved one:

- Is unable to structure his or her daily activities.
- **Feels isolated and lonely** and wishes for interaction with other older people.
- **Experiences anxiety** or depression and needs social and emotional support.
- **Has difficulty starting** and focusing on an activity, whether it's conversation, reading or watching TV.
- Seems not to be safe on his or her own, or feels uncertain and anxious about being alone.

Family caregivers also should consider ADS for the person they care for, when the caregiver needs to return to work, running errands and if the caregiver needs a break. Especially when the caregiver is experiencing negative effects like anxiety, frustration, depression or other health problems.

Helping Your Loved One Adjust

Let's see what we did in 2023!



The transition to ADS can be stressful for an older person with dementia. We suggest a gradual approach. Once you have thought about enrolling your loved one, bring them to the Elder Center for lunch or for an ADS activity. Then start using our services a couple of times a week, for a month or so, before making a final decision about enrolling.

Your family member may resist ADS at first, but clients often warm to it after several weeks and begin looking forward to seeing other people at ADS and engaging in activities. Encourage your loved ones to find comfort and companionship by enrolling in our Adult Day Services program! You will be happy that you did! For more information call the Elder Center, Outreach Office or the ADS Manager at (505) 869-9770.

For more information contact: Isleta Adult Day Services (505) 869-9770

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Happy New Year	NO Activities 12:00 - LUNCH	3 Bring in the New Years New Years Party 12:00 - Lunch 1:00 - Dj Styles	4 No Activities 12:00 - LUNCH	5 9:00 - Walk Session 11:00 - Cookies & Coffee 12:00 - LUNCH 1:00 - Snow Paint 3:00 - Conclusion
8 9:00 - Blu Orchid: Massage:(AR)	9 BINGO ENTRY FEE'S BY DONATION! <u>1p - 3p (AR)</u>	10 Commodities Distribution Activities Room	11 11:00 - MASS 12:00 - Lunch	12 10:00 - Arm & Legs Strech Session: 11:00 - Paint Therapy 12:00 - LUNCH 1:00 - Patriotic Fruit Salad 3:00 - Conclusion
15	16	17	18	19
CLOSED Every Closed in Observance of MARTIN LUTHER KING. JR. DAY	No Activities 12:00 - LUNCH	Commodities Distribution Activities Room General Meeting: TBA	9:00 - Chair Exercises: (AR) 10:00 - Puzzle: (AR) 12:00 - LUNCH (DR) 1:00 - Snow Spray Paintion (AR) 3:00 - Conclusion	<u>Golden Corral</u> Leaving Elder Center @ 9:30am
22	23	24	25	26
9:00 - Blu Orchid: Massage:(AR) 12:00 - Lunch	BINGO ENTRY FEE'S BY DONATION!	9:00 - Chair Exercises (AR) 11:00 - Tea Party (AR) 12:00 - LUNCH (DR) 1:00 - Colored Ice Sculptures (AR) 3:00 - Conclusion	No_Activities	9:00 - Breathing Exercises 10:00 - Math Quiz 12:00 - LUNCH 1:00 - In House Movie
29 Open Activities 12:00 - Lunch	30 Celebration 12:00 - LUNCH	31 No Activities 12:00 - LUNCH	Call or Visit the Elder Cent Trips in Advance. All Activities basis. Activities are open to otherwis * CLOSED FOR ALL 505-869-9770 N	o everyone age 50+ unless e noted. MAJOR HOLIDAY'S.

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Adult Day Services

Activity Calendar January 2024

MONDAY 1	TUESDAY 2	WEDNESDAY 3	THURSDAY 4	FRIDAY 5
	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time
ADS CLOSED	10-11a Pool Noodle Excerises	10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)	10-11a Dynamic Stretches	10a-3p Walmart/Lunch
In observance of New Year's	1-3p Card Games	1-3p Clay Snowman	1-3p Year of Invention Game	
MONDAY 8	TUESDAY 9	WEDNESDAY 10	THURSDAY 11	FRIDAY 12
9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time
10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)	10-11a Arthritis Exercises	10-11a Pool Noodle Excerises	9:30-10:30a Oral Health Presentation	10-11a Dynamic Stretches
1-3p Jeopardy!	1-3p ADS BINGO	1-3p Egg Carton Penguins	1-3p Winter Theme Stick Hangers	1-3p Canvas Painting 101
MONDAY 15	TUESDAY 16	WEDNESDAY 17	THURSDAY 18	FRIDAY 19
	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time, Health Check	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time
ADS CLOSED	10-11a Dynamic Stretches	10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)	10-11a Pool Noodle Excerises	10-11a Make Red Chili Stew Soup
In observance of Martin Luther King Jr.	1-3p Snow Painting	1-3p Senior's Choice Movie Day	1-3p Winnie the Pooh Craft	12-3p Socialize Luncheon
MONDAY 22	TUESDAY 23	WEDNESDAY 24	THURSDAY 25	FRIDAY 26
9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time
10-11a Arthritis Exercises	10-11a BINGO w/ Karen, Dietitian	10-11a Dynamic Stretches	10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)	10-11a Pool Noodle Excerises
1-3p Board Games	1-3p Yarn Weaving	1-3p Continue Yarn Weaving	1-3p Tissue Paper Suncatchers	1-3p Create Your Own Lava Lamp
IONDAY OD	TUESDAY 30	WEDNESDAY 31	*Activities may be	subject to change*
IONDAY 29	TOLODAT CO		059	
	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	9-10am Breakfast, Social Time	and the	mane * .3
		9-10am Breakfast, Social Time 10-11a Dance to the Oldies (Exercise)	* A A	Ne



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1/1/2024	1/2/2024	1/3/2024	1/4/2024	1/5/2024
	Squash Stew	Chicken Parmesan	Taco Salad	Glazed BBQ Ribs
Closed for	Ground Pork 3oz	Chicken Patty 3oz	Ground Beef 3oz	Ribs 3oz
New Year's	Diced Onions 1/4c	Pasta 1/2c	Shredded Cheese 1oz	Potato wedge 1/4c
Stew years	Yellow Squash 1/4c	Marinara Sauce 1/2c	Tortilla Chips 2oz	Mixed Vegetable 1/2c
Day	Zucchini 1/4c	Mozzarella cheese 1oz	Garnish 2oz	BBQ Sauce 1oz
	Tortilla	Mixed Vegetable 1/2c	Fruit Cup	Fresh Fruit
1/8/2024	1/9/2024	1/10/2024	1/11/2024	1/12/2024
Chile Dogs	Pizza & Pasta	Shrimp Alfredo	Creamy Chicken Salad	Carne Adovada
Hot Dog 3oz	Mozzarella Cheese 2oz	Shrimp 2oz	Diced Chicken 3oz	Pork Carne Adovada 3oz
Chile Beans 2oz	Pepperoni 3oz	WW Fettuccini 1/2	Diced Celery/Onions 1/4c	Refried Beans 1/4c
Shredded Cheese 1oz	Pizza Sauce 1/4c	Italian Vegetable 1/2c	Diced Apples 1/2c	Chuckwagon 1/2c
Hotdog Bun	Pizza Crust	Alfredo Sauce 2oz	Croissant	Tortilla
Seasoned Fries 1/4c	Pasta Salad 1/2c	Garlic Bread	Jell-O Cup w/fruit	Fresh Fruit
1/15/2024	1/16/2024	1/17/2024	1/18/2024	1/19/2024
	Baked Cod	Pork Chops	Barley Soup	Sub Sandwich
	Cod 3oz	Pork Chops 3oz	Ground Beef 3oz	Sliced Turkey 3oz
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY	Sweet Potato Tots 1/2c	Wild Rice 1/2c	Barley 1/2c	Sliced Tomato/Lettuce 2oz
CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY	Cali Vegetable 1/2c	Gravy 1oz	Mixed Vegetable 1/2c	Hoagie
	Tartar Sauce 1oz	5 way Vegetable 1/2c	Crackers	Baked Chips 2oz
	Fresh Fruit	Fresh Fruit	SF Pudding cup	Fresh Fruit
1/22/2023	1/23/2023	1/24/2023	1/25/2023	1/26/2023
Bean Burrito	Breakfast for Lunch	Tortilla Burger	Tuna Sandwich	Lasagna
Beans 1/2c	Scramble Egg 3oz	Beef Patty 3oz	Tuna 3oz	Ground beef 3oz
Mixed Vegetable 1/2c	Sausage Link 2oz	Sliced Cheese 1oz	Diced Celery/Onions 1/4c	Mozzarella Cheese 1oz
Spanish Rice 1/2c	Hashbrown 1/2c	Garnish 2oz	Diced Grapes 1/4c	Marinara Sauce 1/2c
Fresh Fruit	Red Chile 1oz	Tortilla	Croissant	Pasta 2oz
Salsa 1oz	Fresh Fruit	Sweet Potato Tots 1/2c	Sliced Cucumbers w/Ranch	Toasted Bread
1/29/2024	1/30/2024	1/31/2024	****Menus are subject to ch	nange without notice, based
Red Chile Potato Stew	Chicken Wrap	Salisbury Steak	on the availabilit	y of products.****
Diced Pork 3oz	Chicken Tenders 3oz	Salisbury Steak 3oz	S. Shekar	
Red Chile 1/4c	Garnish 2oz	Gravy 1oz	Please call by 9 AM	to cancel Home
Diced Potato 1/2c	Pasta Salad 1/2c	Seasoned Vegetable 1/2c	Delivered	Meals.
Dinner Roll	SF Pudding cup	Dinner Roll	505-869-9770 -	Thank you.
Fresh Fruit		Fresh Fruit		



Purchase Referred Care

• PURCHASED/REFERRED CARE is listed as payor of last resort.

- So when registering at the facility for your medical appointment, please make sure Isleta Health Clinic is listed last on your insurance.
- If you do not have any insurance you will need to contact our Benefit Coordinator at 505-869-4469 to schedule an appointment and apply for insurance- Medicaid/Medicare
- Should you receive any bills, please drop them off immediately to PRC as it could cause a delay in payment and or being sent to collections.

• Patients are required to call PRC for all ER/Urgent Care notifications within 72 hours of visit (24/7).

• Leaving voicemails over the weekend/holiday is acceptable notification

• Please provide the following information: name, date of birth, hospital/clinic visited, reason for visit, how you arrived at the facility (i.e private vehicle or EMS) and if you have any follow-up appointments

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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- Patients are required to call PRC for <u>ALL</u> scheduled appointments (i.e., procedures, tele-med and in-person visits)
- Please give PRC as much advance notice as possible to allow us time to enter your information, fax referral to named facility and mail the referral to you.
- Please make sure your address, phone number and insurance are up to date. This helps PRC in scheduling your appointments appropriately.
 - Having correct insurance information on file will help facilities bill properly and avoid you being sent to collections.

• PRC will assist with payment for medical services only. PRC does not have funding for short/long term rehabilitation or nursing home care, pharmacy, laboratory, or durable medical equipment (i.e., wheelchairs, crutches, braces, etc.,)