

Isleta Pueblo News

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Governor's Report

Maguwam,

I hope this newsletter finds our community in good health and spirits. I would like to start off by wishing our students a happy and safe school year this year. We are excited to see what this school year brings to you and your families.

First off, I would like to thank everyone who was involved with the Broadband Project. We are happy to announce that the project officially broke ground on Monday, August 18, 2025. A small ceremony was held in the Pickle Heights area. We look forward to this project and what this is in store for the Pueblo's future.

I would like to take this time to thank all the mayordomo's, and their families. We would also like to thank our departments and staff in preparing for The St. Augustine Feast on August 28th. Ha-Wuh!

Mayordomos

Michael Sarracino & Jennifer Sarracino Michael Toya & Roshanna Toya Kevin Jojola & Monique Lujan Justin Yalch & Kendra Yalch

As we continue to celebrate in honor of St. Augustine, Isleta's Patron Saint, the Mayordomos would like to extend their invite, in joining them for the Feast day held on September 3rd and September 4th.

On August 20th, I met with Cabinet Secretary Casados of the Children, Youth and Families Department ("CYFD") to discuss mutual issues of concern affecting Isleta families. I shared the importance of the Indian Family Protection Act and Indian Child Welfare Act and steps that must be taken to ensure compliance with the Acts and the MOU currently in effect between the Pueblo and CYFD. I am hopeful that we can continue to have productive conversations with CYFD.

On August 21st, I presented concerns regarding the Native American Lands Environmental Mitigation Program ("NALEMP") alongside the Department of Natural Resources to the All Pueblo Council of Governors. We would like assurance from the Department of Defense that long term NALEMP operations will be maintained.

On August 22nd, the Pueblo was happy to host Representative Vasquez in-person at the Pueblo. We are appreciative that Representative Vasquez and his staff took the time to meet with us to discuss particular NALEMP issues in-depth.

Last, I want to send my condolences to the families of those who have lost their family members during the month of August.

Ha-Wuh, Eugene Jiron Governor

TRIBAL COUNCIL OFFICE



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

PUEBLO OF ISLETA P.O. BOX 1270, ISLETA, NM 87022

Letter to the Community

Former Lieutenant Governor Juan Rey Abeita has recently made a number of false, misleading and disrespectful statements about the Governor and about certain members of the Tribal Council. His statements appear intended to create distrust and cause divisions within our community, and they reflect negatively on our Pueblo. Mr. Abeita is obviously angry over the Governor's decision to remove him as Second Lieutenant Governor. As the Council previously recognized, it is entirely within the Governor's authority to select his executive branch appointees, and to remove an appointee if the Governor loses confidence in him. And while the Council played no part in the Governor's decision to remove Mr. Abeita, his subsequent conduct has shown that the Governor's decision to remove him was a sound

Turning to some of Mr. Abeita's specific allegations:

- His claim that Tribal Council Secretary Jiron is receiving stipends as an Isleta Pueblo Housing Authority ("IPHA") Board Commissioner while also receiving payment as a contractor for IPHA is simply false. The same goes for his claim that Tribal Council Members "double dip" by receiving payments for attending the same meeting as IPHA Board Commissioners and Tribal Council Members. The Council's stipend policy ensures that there is a clear separation between payments from IPHA or POI, based on specific meetings attended. Mr. Abeita was present at meetings where this policy was discussed. He did not express any concerns or opposition to the Council's policy on stipends, and the Council follows this policy. There is no double-dipping.
- His claim that he has been banned from entering Governor's Office for 90 days is true,

but he neglects to say why he was banned. The ban was imposed after he came into the lobby of the Governor's Office on July 10th and began raising his voice in a threatening manner, causing Pueblo employees in the office to feel unsafe. Disrespectful and threatening behavior by anyone in tribal offices will not be tolerated.

- The next day, the parking lot behind the Governor's Office was flooded by water that originated from an adjacent field being farmed by Mr. Abeita. This damaged the parking area and, more importantly, occurred during "Prior and Paramount" ("P&P") irrigation operations, when the Pueblo receives its allocation of scarce water as part of a rotation schedule. It is concerning that a large amount of P&P water, which is used only during drought conditions when many non-Pueblo farmers are cut-off from surface water deliveries, was wasted. The flooding appears to have originated from Mr. Abeita's fields. It is embarrassing for the Pueblo that such a waste of scarce water was apparently caused by the same individual who had served as the Governor-appointed representative to the Coalition of Six Middle Rio Grande Basin Pueblos, a group dedicated to protecting the water rights of Pueblos in the Middle Rio Grande Basin. This waste of water by Pueblo members undermines the Pueblo's credibility to make a "water call."
- Since his removal on May 1, 2025, Mr. Abeita does not represent the Pueblo of Isleta in any capacity. In fact, he was recently removed as Co-Chair for the 10 Southern Pueblos Coalition. However, Mr. Abeita continues to post sensitive and confidential information online, using "transparency" to justify his actions. What Mr. Abeita does not understand is that confidential

information that he received as a Pueblo official is now being put out for anyone to see. Information disclosed by him has included the names of individuals who may not want their personal information shared online. We are concerned that his unauthorized disclosures may harm these individuals, as well as the best interests of the Pueblo.

The Council and Governor's Office want to move forward in addressing the important matters that affect our community, rather than having to address the false allegations posted by Mr. Abeita and dealing with his immature behavior. As your elected leaders, we answer to you. If there is a concern that you want addressed by Tribal Council, you are welcome to come and speak during the public comment period of Council meetings on Tuesdays or Thursdays. If there is a concern you feel should be addressed by Governor's Office, call 505-869-3111 to schedule a time to meet with the Administration.

We hope this joint statement demonstrates to you all that we are united in our approach to maintain the health, safety, and welfare of the Pueblo of Isleta community.

Thank you.

Tribal Council President

Eugene Jiron,

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

DEADLINE for October Newsletter articles is set for Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at 4:30 pm. Articles may be dropped off at the Library or emailed to 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 that 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 to the Newsletter. A single picture may be submitted with the ad. Submitters of classified ads are responsible for generating their 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 flyers as this is a FREE service.

Classified ads and business flyers will be posted no more than two consecutive months. In the event that 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 in 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 Carols Trujillo Sr.
- 8. TR 90 @ Y CF Padilla
- 9. Mouse Town Park –
- 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)

PROBATES

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Everette Jaramillo

Case No. CV-PR-0080-2025

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of Everette Jaramillo, deceased Q5/25/2025, 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.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Stella Abeita Correa

Case No. CV-PR-0084-2025

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of <u>Stella Abeita Correa</u>, deceased <u>03/14/2025</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: Juan Pablo Abeita

Case No. CV-PR-0053-2025

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of <u>Juan Pablo Abeita</u>, deceased <u>11/24/2022</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: Charles G. Jaramillo

Case No. CV-PR-0070-2025

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of <u>Charles G. Jaramillo</u>, deceased <u>03/13/2025</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.

Are you a low-income Isleta member with a legal issue? Interested in a free 45-minute consultation with an attorney?



New Mexico Legal Aid's Native American Program (NAP) & the Pueblo of Isleta have partnered to host monthly legal clinics at the Tribal Court.

Friday September 19th, 10am-11am:

Join us to learn about Valid Will Options Under the Isleta Probate Ordinance. We'll discuss the criteria for written and oral wills under the Isleta Probate Ordinance.

Friday October 24th, 10am-11am:

Join us to learn about IRS Tax Disputes 101. Come learn about how to handle federal income tax disputes. Learn what to do if you owe the IRS money, how to avoid owing money, and more.



Do you have a specific legal question? Wish to speak 1-on-1 with a NAP attorney? Free 45-minute consultations available to low-income Isleta members between 12p—4p on Sep 19th or Oct 24th. **Must** call ahead to complete an intake and sign up for an appointment slot. Call Janel Riley of NAP at 505-521-6123. Walk-in appointments will be limited on day of event, so please call ahead!







BROADBAND – Mike Duran Intro



I would like to take this time to welcome our newly hired Broadband Director, Mike Duran, who was hired on July 1, 2025, and comes to the Pueblo with great knowledge and experience. He has "hit the ground running" with the Broadband department.

We are thrilled to see Mr. Duran making progress with our Broadband Project. Groundbreaking for the project occurred on August 18, 2025, which is a month and a half after his hire date. His determination for the project and working alongside our POI departments has been great to see to say the least.

Mr. Duran was hired to oversee and manage our NTIA \$26 million-dollar broadband grant. He is a United States Marine Corps Veteran and has been in the telecom industry for over 24 years, has worked for large Fortune 500 companies such as Time Warner Cable and Comcast.

Mr. Duran brings a wealth of knowledge to this fiber to the home project. Within his first 30 days he was able select a vendor, and get Tribal Council approval to start Phase I.

Welcome Mike to the Pueblo of Isleta and thank you for your ongoing commitment to our high-speed internet broadband which will be owned and operated by the Pueblo of Isleta.



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Career specialist at 505-944-0289

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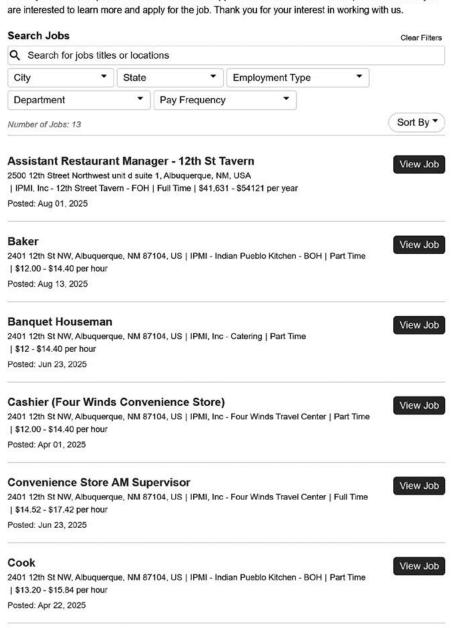
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Current Job Listings

The Indian Pueblo Cultural Center Campus located in the heart of Albuquerque (along 12th Street near I-40), is home to a non-profit museum and other cultural programs as well as various commercial enterprises. To learn more about our Campus, please visit our main website.

Below you find a comprehensive list of our career opportunities. Please click on the position in which you



Custodian (Full-Time)

2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, US | IPMI, Inc - Custodial | Full Time

| \$12.00 - \$14.40 per hour

Posted: Jun 25, 2025

Custodian/Floor Tech (Part-time/Evenings)

2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, US | IPMI, Inc - Custodial | Part Time I \$12.00 - \$14.40 per hour

Posted: Jul 08, 2025

Dishwasher - Indian Pueblo Kitchen

2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, US | IPMI - Indian Pueblo Kitchen - BOH | Part Time

| \$12.00 - \$14.40 per hour Posted: Jun 23, 2025

Host/Hostess (12th St Tavern)

2500 12th Street Northwest unit d suite 1, Albuquerque, NM, USA | IPMI, Inc - 12th Street Tavern - FOH | Part Time | \$12.00 - \$14.40 per hour

Posted: Jul 14, 2025

Massage Therapist

Albuquerque, NM, USA | Rainwater Wellness - Rainwater | Part Time | \$35 per hour

Posted: Jun 23, 2025

Security Officer, Level I

2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, US | IPMI, Inc - Security | Full Time

| \$12.00 - \$14.40 per hour Posted: May 28, 2025

Security Officer, Level III Graveyard Shift

2401 12th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, US | IPMI, Inc - Security | Full Time | \$17.57 - \$21.08 per hour

Posted: Jun 30, 2025

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BROADBAND

In May of 2021 Tribal Council Secretary, Rodney Jones, brought the vision of a Tribally owned internet to Isleta after attending a National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) conference in Ruidoso. That vision is now becoming a reality. With this vision Tribal Council hired Marie Compos, Arthur Heffron, Brian Schillip, and Santa Fe Indian School Chief Technology Director, Kimball Sekaquaptewa, to apply for a NTIA Broadband Grant.

In August of 2022, the Pueblo of Isleta was awarded twenty-six million dollars to build and install fiber to Home Broadband. Santa Fe Indian School was also awarded fifty-seven million dollars to build over three hundred miles of middle mile fiber optic infrastructure to connect most New Mexico Pueblos to Santa Fe Indian School. This is known as the Pueblo Education Network (PEN).

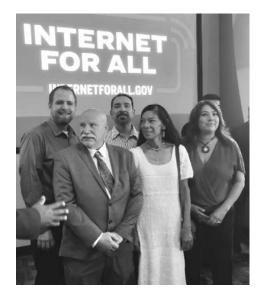
The great news is that the Pueblo of Isleta broke ground to make Broadband a reality on August 18, 2025. A groundbreaking ceremony took place at the intersection of Tribal Rd 63 and Tribal Rd 64 with Governor Eugene Jiron opening with a prayer. The Second Lieutenant Governor, Rodney Jones, who brought the project to life, spoke about the wonderful start. Broadband Director, Mike Duran, thanked the Isleta departments for assisting with this project.

Tribal Council has approved 4.9 million dollars to begin phase one of this project and Mr. Duran has selected Kelly Cable to install the infrastructure. Meanwhile, Tribal Council has designated a small portion of the Casino West building to

house the Main Distribution Frame (MDF) of the Broadband Network. With all actions taken, the Pueblo is preparing to be its own Internet Service Provider (ISP) with total ownership of the network.

The original Broadband grant initially expired in 2023 but luckily, Broadband Director, Richard Jaramillo, and Grants and Contracts Director, Megan Crawford, filed for a cost extension allowing the Pueblo to build out the Broadband infrastructure to July of 2026.

It is the hope of Isleta that after placing seventy-seven miles of backbone and lateral fiber and sixty-three miles of drop cable and fiber directly to 1,526 homes, as well as connecting wireless internet network to the village proper, and leasing a fiber network to Albuquerque, we will have enough money to provide free internet to all households in Isleta.



We'd like to make a special thank you to our brother, the late Broadband Director, Richard Jaramillo, for his dedication, hard work, and invaluable contributions in making this vision come to life.



YONAN AN CULTURAL CENTER

The Yonan An Cultural Center will host an opening **Tuesday**, **September 16**, at **5:00pm** for the exhibition installation, "Miguel Trujillo and the Pursuit of Native Voting Rights." The installation is an interactive voting booth and shares the history of Native American suffrage. The installation prominently features the 1948 court case, *Trujillo v Garley*, which granted Native Americans in New Mexico the right to vote in US elections. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

The installation was created by the New Mexico History Museum and was donated to the Yonan An Cultural Center in July 2025.

St. Augustine Parish Isleta Pueblo



MISSION STATEMENT

We are a ministry of consolation at St. Augustine Parish to offer spiritual comfort and support to families who have experienced the loss of a loved one. We will continue to honor and respect our traditional teachings.



Job Postings



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Fax: 505-244-8232

BSA COMPLIANCE TECHNICIAN Albuquerque, NM

\$26.30 / Year • Non-Exempt

Exempt

\$15.12 /Hour• Non-Exempt

\$47236.16 /Year • Exempt

\$18.04 /Hour Non-Exempt

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SPORTS BOOK WRITER

\$14.87 / Hour • Non-Exempt Albuquerque, NM

0146

CAGE CASHIER \$14.87 / Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

GROUNDSKEEPER \$14.62 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM 0701

HDCT \$15.12 /Hour Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM 1355

\$14.62 /Hour• Non-Exempt **CUSTODIAN**

Albuquerque, NM

LAKES GROUNDSKEEPER \$14.62 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

0780

COUNT MEMBER Albuquerque, NM

ASSISTANT RESTAURANT MANAGER

Albuquerque, NM

SURVEILLANCE AGENT

Albuquerque, NM 0170

PROMOTIONS MANAGER

\$72172.03 /Year• Exempt Albuquerque, NM 1195

RETAIL SUPERVISOR \$16.14 /Hour• Non-Exempt Albuquerque, NM

0495

SLOTS FLOOR TECHNICIAN \$20.31 / Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

Join our dynamic team as a Slots Floor Technician at Isleta Resort and Casino! In this handson role, you'll be the expert guests rely on for assistance with slot machine malfunctions, technical support, and general maintenance. You'll ensure smooth ope...

\$18.04 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

As a Preventive Maintenance Technician II (PMT II), you'll play a key role in ensuring our resort and casino remain safe, functional, and guest-ready. You'll respond to maintenance calls, assist in emergencies & perform routine checks. If you're skilled...

DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES Exempt

role is ideal for friendly, detail-oriented individuals who enjoy helpi...

Albuquerque, NM

Management We are seeking an experienced and strategic Human Resources professional to join our leadership team as Director of Human Resources. This critical role is responsible for developing and executing HR strategies aligned with the organization's overall bus...

RETAIL ATTENDANT

\$14.37 / Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM Join Isleta Resort and Casino as a Retail Attendant, where you'll provide exceptional guest service, handle transactions, and maintain inviting merchandise displays. This fast-paced

TABLE GAMES FLOOR SUPERVISOR Albuquerque, NM

Step into an exciting leadership role as a Table Games Supervisor at Isleta Resort & Casino! You'll oversee day-to-day operations of Poker, Blackjack, Craps, Roulette, and more while ensuring games run smoothly, fairly, and in full compliance with all r...

TABLE GAMES DEALER Albuquerque NM

\$11.50 / Hour• Non-Exempt

Bring the action to life as a Table Games Dealer at Isleta Resort & Casino! In tllis exciting role. you'll deliver world class guest service wllile dealing games like blackjack, roulette, and more. Ensure fair play, handle cllips and payouts. and create a ...

PLAYERS CLUB REPRESENTATIVE

\$14.87 /Hour Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

Shine as a Players Club Representative! Greet and delight guests, support exciting promotions, special events, and top-notch entertainment.

SECURITY OFFICER II

\$18.04 /Hour Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM As a Security Officer II at Isleta Resort and Casino, you'll help protect our property, guests, and team members by maintaining active surveillance, responding to incidents, and enforcing safety

LANDSCAPE TECHNICIAN I

\$15.12/Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

procedures. Your role includes assisting with investigatio...

Grow with Us - Join Our Team as a Landscape Technician !! Bring your passion for the outdoors to Isleta Resort & Casino as a Landscape Technician I! In this hands-on role, you'll maintain grounds by mowing, fertilizing, planting, and assisting with land...

SUPERVISOR F & 8

\$20.31 I Hour Non-Exempt

\$13.87 /Hour• Non-Exempt

\$10.50 I Hour Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

Oversees dining operations, ensures exceptional service, managers staff, and enhances guest experiences.

FOOD ATTENDANT

Albuquerque, NM Become a Food Attendant! Facilitate smooth setup, prepare delicious meals, and deliver exceptional

food service.

BARTENDER CART

Albuquerque, NM

Serve with a View - Join Us as a Beverage Cart Bartender! Enjoy the outdoors and provide top notch service as a Beverage Cart Bartender at Isleta Golf Club. In this fast-paced role, you'll serve guests on the course, maintain your cart, handle transacti...

FRONT OFFICE SUPERVISOR

\$18.04 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

Join our team as a Front Office Supervisor at Isleta Resort & Casino and lead the daily operations of the Front Desk, Valet, and Call Center with excellence. You'll guide a dynamic team, deliver exceptional guest service, resolve issues with professiona..

\$15.12 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Albuquerque, NM

Bring your culinary passion to life as a Cook at Isleta Resort and Casino! We're seeking talented, team-oriented cooks to help craft exceptional dining experiences across our diverse food outlets. In this role, you'll prepare and present high-quality

MAIN BANKER Albuquerque, NM \$16.14 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Now Hiring: Main Banker - Be at the Center of the Action! Step into a vital role at Isleta Resort and Casino as a Main Banker, where precision meets exceptional service. You'll manage vault operations, process internal guest transactions, and ensure the...

BINGO SUPERVISOR Albuquerque, NM

\$22.12 /Hour• Non-Exempt

Step into a high-energy leadership role as a Bingo Supervisor at Isleta Resort and C.Jsino! We're looking for a dedicated and detail-oriented professional to oversee all aspects of our vibrant Bingo operations. In this role. you'll supervise floor staff....



ENVIRONMENTAL

Hello People of Isleta, we here from POI Environment would like to thank everyone for their attendance at another successful Environmental Fair. We had about 400+ participants and 45 vendors offering interactive learning experiences from exotic birds and reptile interaction to groundwater infiltration models and Explora's activity table. Whichever table you interacted with, we're sure everyone was able to learn something new and interesting. Also, an update was provided by Vitalant, the organization operating the blood drive, that "it was AMAZING!" With a goal of collecting 12 units, POI was able to donate 20. This means the Blood Drive helped save up to 60 lives! Again, thank you for your participation in this year's Environmental Fair and we will see you again next year!





ENVIRONMENT

Monthly surface water quality results

| E. coli bacteria in MPN/100 ml by | Month & Year of Collection | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-------|
| | 2024 | | 2025 | | | | | | 00 | | |
| POI Sample Location* | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug** |
| South Boundary | 884 | 1169 | 1421 | 325 | 201 | 31 | 49 | 158 | 228 | 166 | 384 |
| 240 Wasteway | 776 | 691 | 1259 | 260 | 364 | 30 | 58 | 142 | 173 | 119 | 383 |
| Indian Interior Drain @ 240 Wasteway | 29 | 23 | 17 | 19 | 93 | 63 | 49 | 141 | 211 | 90 | 120 |
| NM 147 | 712 | 388 | 776 | 178 | 178 | 120 | 56 | 109 | 189 | 135 | 189 |
| Black Bridge | 292 | 402 | 908 | 113 | 139 | 85 | 37 | 121 | 173 | 121 | 185 |
| Northern Boundary near Isleta Lakes | 384 | 341 | 591 | 43 | 101 | 73 | 45 | 134 | 110 | 101 | 147 |
| Albuquerque Riverside Drain | 60 | 39 | 66 | 24 | 31 | 20 | 23 | 72 | 461 | 166 | 133 |
| Acequia Madre near Northern Boundary | - | 5 | - | - 8 | - | 25 | 285 | 118 | 135 | 101 | 111 |
| Butte Lateral near Interstate-25 | 123 | - | - 2 | - | 121 | 46 | 71 | 75 | 107 | 88 | 1421 |

- *Water quality samples are collected on a monthly basis from the Rio Grande. Two irrigation sample locations are collected during the growing season.
- **Quality assurance/quality control review of August results was in progress at the time of the *Newsletter* publication deadline.
- Dash in data table indicates sample not collected.
- "MPN" is a unit of measure that stands for most probable number. MPN is equivalent to colony forming units ("CFU").

The Pueblo of Isleta's most stringent surface water quality standard for *E. coli* bacteria is 88 MPN/100 ml at all times and at all flow rates.

Please watch signage at the NM 147 bridge for surface water quality advisory.

Due to high levels of *E. coli*, Governor issued an Executive Order on August 13, 2025 to protect the health and safety of our community members. Until further notice, there is to be no swimming and no fishing in the Rio Grande.

The Pueblo's drinking water supply is safe and water in Isleta Lakes is clean.

If you have questions about surface water quality, contact Ramona Montoya, Water Quality Control Officer, at 505-869-7565.



Welcome

Hello POI family! We had an exciting first month of school, welcoming both returning and new children and families. We are preparing for more fun family engagements this school year and are excited to see the community come together again. The teachers have been actively implementing their lesson plans and are creating another memorable year for the kids. Happy September and stay safe POI!

Important September Dates•

Sept. 1st - Labor Day (closed)
Sept. 3rd - Parent Committee Night
Sept. 4th - Feast Day (closed)
Sept. 10th - Family Night
Sept. 16th - Male Involvement Night

Accepting Enrollment Applications 2025-2026

Serving ages from prenatal & infants to 5 years old

REQUIREMENTS:

- Household CIB
- Proof of Residency
 (Isleta Pueblo,
 Bernalillo, or Valencia
 County)
- Proof of Birth
 IF APPLICABLE:
- Eligibility Letter as proof of Public Assistance (SNAP/TANF)

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

PHONE: 505-869-5170

On August 21, 2025, the contractor working It's very exciting to see the progress being on the new 200,000 gallon elevated water storage tank, located on TR 82 close to Highway 314, began drilling operations to pour 5 of the 10 required 80' deep columns to support the elevated tanks base. Anyone near the area may have seen the equipment on site that was brought in specifically for this portion of the project. The remaining 5 columns should have been poured the week of August 23rd. Constructing the elevated water storage tank is a long process and is expected to be completed by spring of 2026.

Rebar is being set in place for the concrete pour which will be done by the end of August for the well house. The piping from the wellhead to the well house is already underground. Once the well house is constructed, the piping inside the well house will be attached to the existing underground piping.

made at the site. PNM 3-phase power has been brought to the site, the well was drilled in 2024 and now the well house and elevated tank are being constructed. Once the well house is completed and all the required water sampling of the new well water is done, the new well can be placed in service.

Public Works hopes to have this new well in service in early 2026. Once the well proves itself, the existing well on TR 90 will be taken off-line.

Once all the construction is completed, the elevated storage tank can serve broadband and cell service antennae needs.

If you have any questions about the new well or elevated water storage tank, please contact Public Works at 505-869-5170.

















ST. AUGUSTINITO FEAST DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

The Transfer Station will be closed Thursday September 4th, to celebrate St. Augustinito Feast Day. Thursday and Friday's collections will be collected on Friday September 5th. Have carts out by 7am. Happy Feast Day!



KEEP ISLETA BEAUTIFUL! (505)869-4106





Transit Services Now Serving the Pueblo of Isleta

The Pueblo of Isleta and the Rio Metro Regional Transit District Working Together

Bus Route 208 (No Fares until further notice!)

Bus Route 208 connects the Pueblo of Isleta and Valencia County communities to the Alvarado Transportation Center (ATC) in Downtown Albuquerque during the morning/midday when the Rail Runner does not operate. Route 208 features three northbound trips arriving at the ATC at 9:30am, 11:00am and 1:30pm, and three southbound trips departing the ATC at 9:35am, 11:05am and 1:32pm. At the ATC, riders can transfer to ABQ RIDE bus routes.

Route 208 serves two bus stops on the Pueblo of Isleta. The stop closest to the village proper is located on NM 147 just east of the Rio Grande Bridge. Please do not park and leave vehicles unattended on the adjoining roads near this stop, as the bus and other vehicles use these roads to turnaround and access other locations. Route 208 also stops at the Isleta Pueblo Rail Runner Station, where riders can transfer to the Isleta Resort and Casino shuttle. Because the bus serves the station, riders can also consider using Route 208 in combination with the Rail Runner, for example, taking the bus to Downtown Albuquerque in the mid-morning and returning by train in the evening.

Please see route flyer that includes map, times of Bus Route 208. (No Fares until further notice!)

Pueblo of Isleta Dial-a-Ride (No Fares until further notice!)

The Pueblo of Isleta Dial-a-Ride operates Monday through Friday from 8:15am to 2:45pm, providing trips within the Pueblo and to the ABQ RIDE Route 53 bus stop on NM 314. Service to places like Smiths, Albertsons and Wal-Mart in Los Lunas is also provided with requests made before noon at least one business day prior to your trip.

Request your Dial-a-Ride trip by calling Valencia County dispatch at (505) 352-3595 before noon at least one business day prior to your trip. Requests are accepted between 5:00am and 3:00pm Monday thru Friday. On the date and time of your trip, a wheelchair accessible van will arrive within 15 minutes of your scheduled pickup time. Trips may also be grouped together; riders should expect to travel with others.

For more information about both services, including a copy of the Route 208 schedule, visit riometro. org and select "Schedules" > "Bus" > "Pueblo of Isleta" from the grey bar near the top of the website. Schedules for Route 208 are also available at the Public Services Department Office at the Tribal Services Complex.

For publication in the July 2023 issue of the Isleta Pueblo News.



About Route 208

Bus route 208 provides three northbound and three southbound trips morning/midday between Valencia County, the Pueblo of Isleta, and Downtown Albuquerque when the Rail Runner does not operate. Riders are encouraged to use Route 208 in combination with the Rail Runner, for example, by taking the bus to Downtown Albuquerque midday and returning by train in the evening. Weekdays only.

ADA Accessible

All of our buses and trains are ADA compliant and are equipped with wheelchair lifts or ramps.

Title VI / Non-Discrimination Notice

The Rio Metro Regional Transit District is committed to its Title VI obligations. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin in the delivery of service. To obtain more information on our non-discrimination obligations or to file a Title VI complaint, contact us at 809 Copper Ave. NW, ABQ, NM 87102.

El Distrito de Tránsito Regional de Río Metro cumple con las obligaciones del Título VI. No discriminamos por raza, color ni origen nacional al brindar nuestros servicios. Para obtener más información sobre nuestros deberes antidiscriminatorios o para presentar un reclamo del Título VI, contáctenos en 809 Copper Ave. NW, ABQ, NM 87102.

Contact Information Información de contacto

NM Rail Runner

866.795.RAIL (7245)

Rio Metro Valencia 505.352.3595

Rio Metro Sandoval

877.660.1110 www.riometro.org ABQ RIDE

505.243.RIDE (7433)

NM Park & Ride

866.551.RIDE (7433) www.nmparkandride.com

North Central RTD 866 206 0754

Santa Fe Trails

505.955.2001 www.santafenm.gov

Socorro Public Transportation 575.835.1501

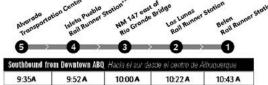
Midday Express Downtown Albuquerque Pueblo of Isleta Valencia County Schedule Effective June 3, 2020 RIO METRO 866.795.7245 • riometro.org



12:13 P

2:40





11:30

1:57 P

2:19 P



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11:05

1:32 P

11:22

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Bus Route Zone 1 --- - Bus Route Zone 2 River

 Major Cross Streets Time Point Bus Stop Non-Timepoint Bus Stop

| Rio Metro NMRX New Mexico Rail Runner Express Transfer Points / puntos de transferencia NMRX, RM209, RM210 B RM209, RM210 C RM210 **II** RM210

Each color on the route map represents a fare zone. Cada color en el mapa representa una zona de tarifa.

Fares / Tarifas

Full Fare - One Way (\$1 per. zone) tarifa completa - un solo sentido

Reduced Fare - One Way (\$.50 per. zone) tarifa de descuento - un solo sentido

Full Fare - Monthly Pass (\$30)

Reduced Fare - Monthly Pass (\$15)

Reduced fares are available to:

- Youth ages 10-17
- Students with a valid Student ID
- Seniors age 62+
 Medicare card holders
- · People with disabilities who show: An NM Motor Vehicle Department notification
- A letter from doctor indicating the disability (with exp. date)
- An ABQ RIDE Honored Citizen Card
- A Santa Fe Ride Card or Santa Fe Trails Half Fare Card
- A Disabled Veteran ID card

Tarifas de descuento aplica a:

- Edades juveniles 10-17 Estudiantes con un ID válido de estudiante
- Mayores de 62 años · Titulares de tarietas Medicare
- Personas con discapacidades que muestren.
- Una notificación del Departamento de Vehículos Motorizados NM Una carta de un médico que indique la discapacidad
- (con fecha de finalización)
- Una Tarjeta de Ciudadano Honrado ABQ RIDE
- Una Tarjeta de Viaje de Santa Fe o una Tarjeta de Media Tarifa de Santa Fe Trails
- Una tarjeta de ID de Veterano Discapacitado

FREE FARES / TARIFA GRATIS

Children 9 and under | Niños 9 años y meños

Active Duty Military & Veterans

Accepted IDs include a VHIC or VA medical card, a veteran's ID (VIC card), a driver's license with a veteran's designati Department of Defense Active Duty & Dependent Military IDs, and the NMRX Freedom Pass.

Servicio de veteranos y militares activos

Las Identificaciones aceptadas son la tarjeta médica VA o VHIC, una identificación de veteranos (VIC), una licencia de conducir con una ción de veterano, el departamento de defensa de identificación militares activos y dependientes, y la tarjeta de libertad del Rail Runnei September 2025 Isleta Pueblo News Page 9



DEADLINES

APPLICATION:

- Full Academic Year (August May) July 1st
- Fall Term July 1st
- Spring Term November 1st
- Summer Term April 1st

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

- Full Academic Year (August May) August 31st
- Fall Term August 31st
- Spring Term January 15th
- Summer Term May 31st

Due at 11:59 p.m. (MST - Mountain Time)

DUE AT END OF TERM

- Official Transcript
- Volunteer Hour Log

QUESTIONS?

(505) 869-9790 poischolarships@isletapueblo.com

Department of Education 950 Moonlight Dr. SW Albuquerque, NM 87105

Pueblo of Isleta

Higher Education Scholarship

Getting Started

Eligibility Requirements

- You must be an enrolled tribal member with the Pueblo of Isleta Census Department
- You must be accepted and Enrolled into an Accredited Post-Secondary Institution.
- You must apply for Financial Aid through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Required Documents

First Time Applicants:

- Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB)
- · High School/High School Equivalency Diploma
- · Letter of Acceptance
- · Degree Plan (Signed by Academic Advisor)

Supporting Documents (Submitted Each Semester):

- Student Aid Report (SAR) FASFA
- Class Schedule
- Course Schedule Verification (Signed by Academic Advisor)
- Financial Needs Analysis (Completed by Financial Aid of Institution)
- Documentation of Two (2) grant/scholarship applications
- Volunteer Hour Log

Application







TRUANCY

Hello to Fall,

It's that time of year for cool mornings and evenings, leaves changing colors and falling, and the return of falls delicious flavor, pumpkin spice! A lot of families are excited for the start of football season, and of course the exciting start to Fall sports for middle and high school students.

We hope you had a great start to the school year with adapting to new routines, new schools and new class schedules. Before you know it, the busy holiday season will approach and you will be on winter break. As always, it's important to build healthy habits and attend school daily, (and on time), as it improves class grades and the understanding of daily school instruction.

The Truancy Department will continue to work with service providers and families to help our tribal youth attend school on a regular basis. We provide perfect attendance incentives quarterly to Isleta Elementary students as well as perfect attendance for all 4 quarters. We also provide perfect attendance incentives to students who attend Los Lunas Public Schools or Albuquerque Public Schools, by semester; parents can contact our office by telephone or email so that Truancy can verify that your child has perfect attendance at the schools they attend.

The Truancy Department was happy to attend student check-in and orientation at the Santa Fe Indian School. It was wonderful seeing the students arriving to school, bubbling with excitement and looking forward to attending school. The Truancy Department provided our Isleta students with gift cards to Wal-Mart to assist in purchasing any last minute items that they may need for their dormitory living. We wish these students the best of luck in the start of this school year.

We also had the opportunity to attend the Open House at Isleta Elementary School. This was a great evening spent with the families and students. Students excitedly ushered their parents to their classrooms and were happy to share their space with their families. Truancy was happy to see the interactions of families on this evening.

The Truancy Department strives to offer great support services to all of our families and students as we venture into the new school year; we want to see a successful 2025/2026 school year. We would also like to thank those who have reached out to us to ask questions as to what our department offers and information on other resources that are available for them.

Thank you. Isleta Truancy Department

Pueblo of Isleta Career Opportunities

| Position Posting | Office Location | Closing Date |
|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER II | Police Department - Open Space | 11/05/2025 |
| ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER | Public Defender | 10/15/2025 |
| ASSOCIATE JUDGE | Tribal Courts | 11/06/2025 |
| BILLING SUPERVISOR | Health Services | 10/15/2025 |
| CHIEF OF POLICE | Police Department | 10/06/2025 |
| COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION COORDINATOR | Transportation Services | 11/16/2025 |
| CUSTODIAN | Public Works | 10/01/2025 |
| DIRECTOR- ELDER CENTER | Elder Center | 10/29/2025 |
| EMPLOYEE RELATIONS SPECIALIST | Human Resources | 11/05/2025 |
| LABORER | Public Works | 10/01/2025 |
| LIBRARY AIDE I | Library | 11/17/2025 |
| MAINTENANCE TECH I, II or III | Public Works | 10/01/2025 |
| POLICE DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT | Police Department | 11/05/2025 |
| POLICE OFFICER I/ OPEN SPACE CERTIFIED (2 Positions) | Police Department - Open Space | 11/05/2025 |
| SEPTIC TRUCK DRIVER | Public Works | 11/18/2025 |
| SR FINANCIAL ANALYST | Treasury | 09/30/2025 |
| UTILITY WORKER | Public Works | 10/01/2025 |
| VICTIM ADVOCATE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR | Tribal Administration | 11/04/2025 |
| WATER/WWTP OPERATOR I-V | Public Works | 10/01/2025 |

Message from DOE:

We hope the 2025-2026 school year is off to a great start! Whether you're in preschool or college, we know a new school year can be both exciting and challenging. Here are a few tips to help you and your student have a successful year:

Establish a Routine: Keep daily activities consistent throughout the week, such as a regular sleep schedule, homework/review time, and mealtimes.

- **Develop a Schedule:** Take time each week to write out your schedule and maintain a calendar. This will help you stay on top of both small and large projects.
- **Organize Your Space:** Identify dedicated spaces to study and keep homework and supplies organized.
- **Set Goals:** Think about what you'd like to accomplish this school year.
- Identify a Support System: Lean on family and friends who can encourage you and be your cheerleaders throughout the year.
- **Reflect and Relax:** Be sure to find moments throughout the day to take a breath and relax.

Back-to-School Supply Giveaway:

The Department of Education is still distributing FREE school supplies and is now extending this opportunity to Isleta tribal members currently enrolled in Fall 2025 high education institutions or programs. Supplies are available on a first-come, first-serve basis while they last. For more information or questions, please contact the office at (505) 869-9790.

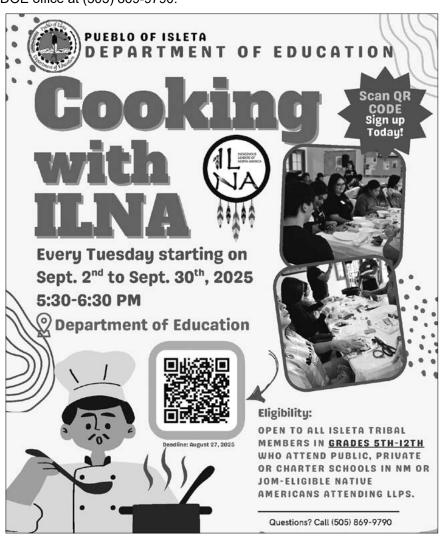




Cooking with ILNA:

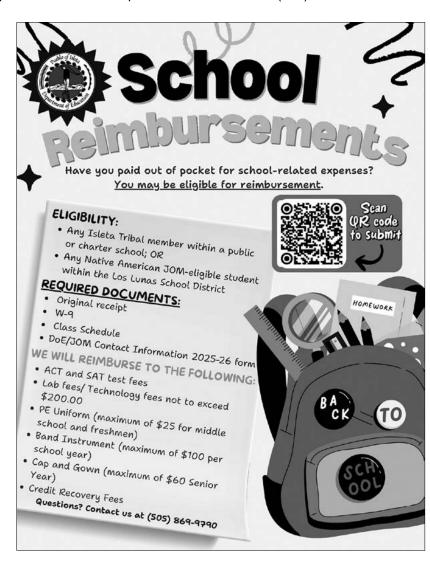
The Pueblo of Isleta Department of Education is proud to once again collaborate with Indigenous Leaders of North America (ILNA) to host a Cooking Class Series, held every Tuesday from September 2-30, 2025, at the Department of Education. Participants will have the opportunity to learn and experience new cooking dishes rooted in culture and tradition. Please review eligibility to sign up, and register by scanning the QR code or using the provided link: https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/ilna_cooking

The deadline to sign up is August 27, 2025. Any questions, please call the DOE office at (505) 869-9790.



School Reimbursements:

The Department of Education is offering School Reimbursements for eligible reimbursements. Any Isleta Tribal member attending a public or charter school, or any Native American JOM-eligible student within the Los Lunas School District, may qualify. To apply, submit required documents including the original receipt, W-9, class schedule, DoE/JOM Contact Information 2025-26 form. Scan the QR code to submit your information. For questions, please contact the Department of Education at (505) 869-9790.

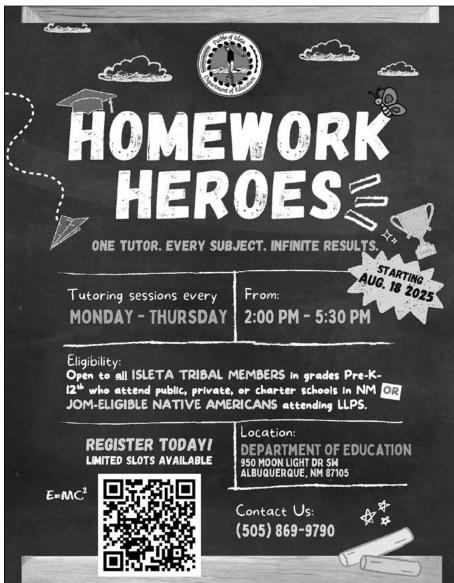


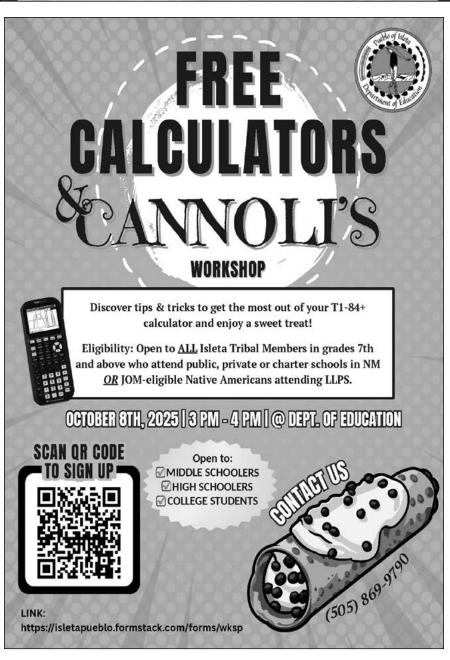
Homework Heros:

New School Year = New Goals!

Homework Hero's is starting August 18, 2025 - tutoring for all subjects, Monday-Thursday from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM! Open to all Isleta tribal members (Pre-K-12th) in public, private, or charter schools across NM, plus JOMeligible Native American students attending LLPS. Don't miss out - register today using the QR code or the following link: https://isletapueblo.formstack. com/forms/tutoring_25

Questions, call the DOE office at (505) 869-9790.









Dear parents or guardians,

Have you started your back to school check lists for your child or children before the school year? New notebooks, pens and pencils are important to prepare children for the upcoming school year but have you thought about an eye

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Children are constantly facing demands on their visual system at school with reading, seeing the board, and especially with the introduction of digital devices into the classroom. It is estimated that 1 in 4 children have vision problems that go

undiagnosed. Improved or aided vision can drastically improve your child's ability to learn and excel. If correction is needed, not only will your child's learning improve but also all aspects of your child's everyday life.

Please call our Optometry office at Isleta Health Center to set up an eye exam appointment for your child/children at {505} 869-4080.



AT A GLANCE

- Principal Message
- Class News
- Outreach Program
- PTO
- Perfect Attendance Incentive Program

Principal Message

Dear Isleta Learning Community,

I came on board as Principal of Isleta Elementary School toward the latter end of October 2024 and am thoroughly enjoying working with the students, families, and staff. I have gotten to know the students, and they have a special place in my heart, as they represent the future of Isleta Pueblo. After 26 years of experience in the education field as a Principal and former High School English Teacher, I continue to passionate about collaborating with staff to provide learning experiences that make grade level instruction accessible to all learners and to build upon students' strengths.

It is wonderful to have our students, staff, and families return to IES for another school year. We appreciate you all. Before the students returned, our staff received training in Crisis Prevention Intervention by our BIE trainers and training in ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) by Isleta Police Department Officers, which allowed us to learn and practice strategies to keep everyone at school safe.

Currently, students have PE and Art class two days a week. We look forward to Tiwa language classes starting up on August 20 on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and music classes, provided by YMI instructors, to start up on Fridays within a couple of weeks from now. Afterschool, IES is providing an optional physical activity/wellness time, Monday to Thursday, from 3:15-4:15 p.m., overseen by Ms. Smith-PE teacher and SRO Ricky.

Classroom teachers have sent out a letter to parents/guardians, providing information about their classes. And Open House is scheduled for August 20 from 4-6 p.m. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your students.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Tamara Allison

TRANSPORTATION COUNT WEEK Sept 22-26 - NO bus changes will be honored during this time.



Ms. Tolino's Kindergarten/1st Grade Class:

I hope this message finds you well. I wanted to take a moment to share some updates from our class.

The Kindergarten/ 1^{st} Grade class has been busy these first weeks of school. We are learning our rules and routines and how to work and play with one another. We will continue to improve classroom behavior and to be kind and caring.

During this first quarter, the kindergarteners will be learning the alphabet sounds, letter names, and how to blend and read Consonant Vowel Consonant words. They will also learn sight words. The 1st Graders will continue to write CVC words, reading comprehension and narrative writing. In math, we are working on counting one-to-one correspondence, counting by 1s and 10s, recognizing numbers 1-20, telling time to the hour and doing some basic addition.

Thank you for your continued support!



Hello Isleta Pueblo,



My name is Darlene Pilon, and I am the second-grade teacher at IES. I am starting my second full year of teaching here at the school and am super excited about it. I have had the pleasure of moving up with my first graders from last year, to second grade. We have created a close little family within our class, and it was exciting to see their smiling faces walk in, ready to enjoy another year together. Because we are all familiar with one another, we were ready to hit the ground running! We immediately jumped into academics and our routines. We are working really hard on our reading and writing skills, as well as moving along smoothly with our math program. Homework is even going amazing! We are all so excited to see where this school year takes us.

Here's to a fabulous school year!

Mrs. Darlene Pilon

CLASS NEWS



Third grade is off to a fabulous start. We have picked up where we left off in May and started our new school year with excitement and rigor. We're so fortunate to have already established a wonderful learning community and excited to see where this year will lead us. We are focused on strengthening our understanding in Math, ELA and leadership. We have no doubt that this 3rd grade year will be one to remember.













Hello, my name is Donald Casuse. This is my third year working at Isleta Elementary. I have 22 years of experience teaching third to eighth grade in the Gallup, NM and the Las Cruces, NM district as well. This school year, I am teaching both 4th and 5th grade. With 4th grade, we are working on comprehension and vocabulary in reading by comparing and contrasting two characters or situations. In Math the students are gaining much knowledge in place value by comparing and ordering numbers. In 5th grade, we are also working on comprehension and vocabulary in reading. The students are working on the main idea and details of a story. In math, the 5th grade is working on exponents and multi-step multiplication. As always, I enjoy working with the staff, parents and students at Isleta Elementary.



My name is Merlinda Mexicano, and I will be teaching 6th grade this school year, 2025-2026. I am from Tohaiiilee, NM, have been teaching at IES for 2 years, and am happy to be back. Ms. Bohaty will be assisting me for a few hours a day. Our class will be focusing on the Road to Success. It will be our topic for the first few weeks in Reading, and in Math, we are working on Integers and Rational Numbers. We will also write more and be involved in various reading activities to improve our skills. We have been working on rules and routines, so that we are able to work together and make this an exciting and adventurous learning experience. I encourage a lot of reading and discussions at home.





Ms. Baca's Counseling Corner



Hello, Isleta Elementary School Families and Isleta Community:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those that I have not had the pleasure of meeting yet. My name is Karen Baca; I am the School Counselor at Isleta Elementary School. This is my 3rd school year here. I am so excited to be part of the Isleta Elementary family; already it is so apparent how close-knit and welcoming the community is. I feel very lucky to be part of it!

My passion for school counseling comes from an extension of my time working with children and families, where I have over 20 years of experience. I have a bachelor's and master's degree in social work and 4 years of counseling experience with adults and children across several grade levels. What I love most about the elementary level is the opportunity for early intervention support to enhance learning, problem solving and social skills. As a School Counselor, my primary responsibility is to promote the

academic and social/emotional development of all students. I look forward to offering support to the Isleta Elementary students, families, staff and community. I will be meeting with students individually and in small groups, conducting classroom counseling lessons, meeting with parents, collaborating with teachers and staff, and consulting with community organizations to benefit and meet the needs of all Isleta Elementary students. This year we will be collaborating with Isleta Behavioral Health and Isleta Health Clinic to provide additional services to students and continue to offer virtual counseling services through our BIE Behavioral Health and Wellness Program. Please reach out to me if you would like a referral for your student to one of these programs or if you would like more information.

I am here to advocate for all students and provide support to their caretakers. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call (505) 460-8718 or email me (karen.baca@bie.edu) at any time. I am so excited to work with your children and get to know you throughout the school year!

Thank you for your partnership,



Karen Baca, LMSW School Counselor at Isleta Elementary (505) 460-8718 Karen.Baca@bie.edu

Isleta Community Partners with NM Army National Guard for Outreach Programs



The Isleta Police Department, Isleta Elementary, and Isleta Head Start are proud to announce an exciting new collaboration with the New Mexico Army National Guard outreach program. This partnership aims to provide valuable resources and educational opportunities to the Isleta community.

Comprehensive Program Offerings

The outreach program will feature a diverse range of classes designed to benefit children, families, and individuals within Isleta. Key areas of focus include:

- Medicine Safety: Educating on the safe storage and use of medications.
- Understanding Feelings: Helping individuals, especially children, to identify and manage their emotions.
- Bullying Prevention: Strategies and awareness to combat bullying in all its forms.
- Internet Safety: Guidance on navigating the digital world safely and responsibly.
- Substance Use Awareness and Prevention: Informing the community about the risks of substance use and promoting healthy choices.
- Resiliency and Empowerment: Building personal strength and coping mechanisms to overcome challenges.

This collaboration signifies a shared commitment to the well-being and development of the Isleta community. Further details regarding program schedules and specific event dates will be announced soon.

Get Involved!



We are always needing volunteers!

An Invitation to Serve: Join Our Parent Teacher Organization!

Dear Parents,

We are excited to invite our families to consider an invaluable opportunity to actively shape our school community. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) plays a vital role in fostering a collaborative environment between parents, teachers, and school staff, ultimately enriching the educational experience for all our students.

Your involvement is not just appreciated, it's essential! By joining the PTO, you become a direct advocate for your child's needs and contribute to decisions that impact our entire school. It's a chance to build stronger community ties and ensure our school continues to thrive.

 $\label{prop:building} \textit{Building a strong school community through parent involvement.}$



Reminders



Daily Schedule:

| 7:45 AM | 8:00 AM | 8:30 AM Tardy | 3:00 PM Dismissal |
|------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Student Drop Off | Breakfast | (3 Tardies=1 Absent) | 12:30 PM Early Release |

Dates to remember: September 2025

- Sept 1 Holiday -NO School
- Sept 4 Feast Day -NO School
- Sept 5 Schoolwide Field Trip to NM State Fair
- Sept 12 Early Release @ 12:30pm
- Sept 22-26 Transportation Count Week
- Sept 26 Early Release @ 12:30pm

What Does the Parent Teacher Organization Do?

The PTO is a dynamic group involved in various activities that directly benefit our students and school. Our responsibilities include:

- Providing Input on Program Policies: Providing valuable parent perspectives on school policies, activities, and services.
- Organizing Social Events: Planning and executing events that bring our school community together, fostering a sense of belonging.
- Supporting Teachers and Staff: Assisting with various initiatives to support our dedicated educators.
- Fundraising Activities: Organizing efforts to raise funds for essential school programs and resources.
- Advocating for Parent Concerns:
 Serving as a voice for parent concerns and suggestions, ensuring they are heard and addressed.

Collaboration is key to our success.



Benefits of Joining the PTO:

Serving on the Parent Teacher Organization offers numerous personal and community benefits:

- Enhanced Communication: Improve dialogue between parents, teachers, and the administration.
- Stronger Community Ties: Connect with other parents, teachers, and school leaders, building a supportive network.
- Direct Impact: See the tangible results of your efforts in improving school programs and student experiences.
- Role Modeling: Demonstrate the importance of civic engagement and community service to your children.
- Personal Growth: Develop new skills, gain insights into school operations, and contribute your talents to a meaningful cause.

Working together for our children's success.



By delegating responsibilities among members, we ensure an efficient and productive committee, leveraging everyone's unique strengths and interests.

Express Your Interest Today!

We are seeking enthusiastic parents/guardians who are passionate about contributing to our school's success. No prior experience is necessary, just a willingness to dedicate some time and effort to support our students and staff.

If you are interested in serving on the Parent Teacher Organization, please submit a letter of interest to the school, so we can learn more about your skills and availability, or sign up at the Open House.

Thank you for considering this important opportunity. Your involvement makes a real difference!

For questions on how you can help, contact the front office @ 505-273-8444. Below is a list of opportunities.

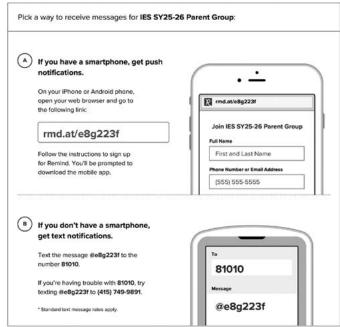
- Become a member of the Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO)
- Apply to be a volunteer



Remind

Sign up for important updates from Isleta Elementary.

Get information for Isleta Elementary School right on your phone—not on handouts.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/e8g223f on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.





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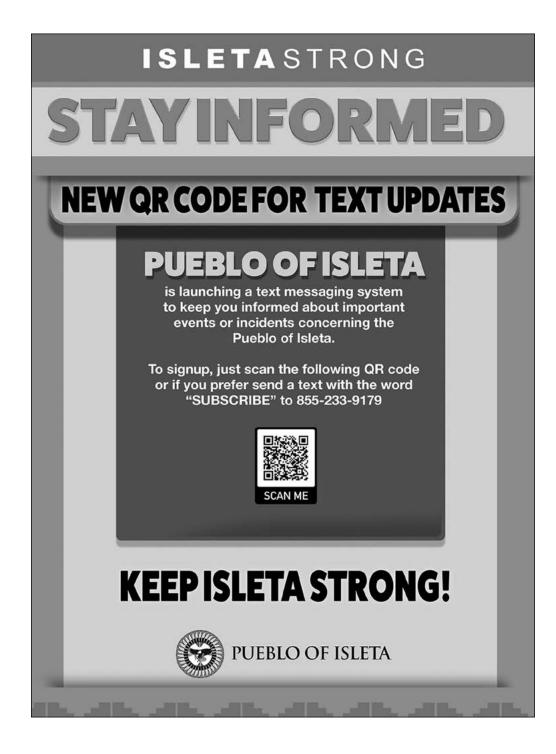
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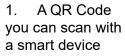


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| 07 Grandparents Day | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 Early Release ® 12:30pm | 13 |
| 14 | 15 National Hispanic Heritage Month Begins | . 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
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Attention: Pueblo of Isleta Community

Public Works has implanted a new work order system for community work orders. Community members can submit a work order the following ways:



You can



- access the link on the Pueblo of Isleta Website
- 3. Calling Public Works Office at 505-869-5170

Please provide as much information as possible about the work order being placed. We will need the following information:

- What is the issue?
- · Location (Complete Address)
- Contact Name & Number
- Attached pictures, if any

NOTE: Please one work order per submittal! Our new system will not generate multiple work orders in one submission.

Not providing all detail information on your work order may cause a delay!

We understand that not everyone has access to a smart device or computer to submit a work order, calling into Public Works Office at 505-869-5170 is still available.



Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Fall is here, and you can start to feel it in the crisp mornings, followed by the warm afternoons. With the aroma of roasting Green Chile in the air and the enjoyment of Feast Days here on the Pueblo. It's also State Fair season, a time for parades, fry bread, rides and the culture of New Mexico. Continue reading to see what the library has to offer this September!

News

A staff meeting will be scheduled sometime during the first week of September. We will be planning upcoming programs for children, teens, and adults. The library will remain open during this time, so don't hesitate to come on in and check out any library material.

Library Closures:

The library will be closed on Saturday, August 30th and Monday, September 1st in observance of Labor Day. We wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday! Normal hours will resume Tuesday, September 2nd.

The library will be closed on Thursday, September 4th in observance of St. Augustine Feast Day. Wishing everyone a joyful and meaningful Feast Day! May your day be filled with tradition, good food, community and blessings.

Job Announcement! The library is seeking a friendly, reliable, and enthusiastic individual to join our team for a Part Time Library Aide | position. Key responsibilities will be mainly assisting with the Library After School Program by helping with reading, homework, activities, and crafts. To apply you can visit <u>www.isletapueblo.</u> com/careers/ to view the job description and application or you can stop by the library to pick up a packet. All completed applications must be turned into the Pueblo of Isleta Human Resources Department located at the Tribal Services Complex. For any questions about this position, please feel free to give the library a call at 505-869-9808 and speak with a staff member.

School is back in session which means students are everywhere. With that said, the library would like to remind you all to PLEASE be aware of flashing school zone lights and obey posted speed limits as we have students walking, riding bikes, and so on. Parents and caregivers picking up students from the library parking lot, please be cautious during this time as the library is a bus drop off/pick up point for many students. We also ask that you do not block the handicap parking spots dropping/ picking up your students. Thank you for understanding. The Head Start Story Time will also be starting soon so that means teachers and students will be walking to the library, so keep a look out for them as

Join us for Family Story Time here at the library every Thursday starting at 11:00am, no sign ups required so just come on in and stay for the fun! Library Staff member Abbey will read a story and engage toddlers and families in an activity or craft. This program gives parents and caregivers the opportunity to introduce reading to their child(ren). If you have any questions, please give Abbey a call at the library at 505-869-9808 or by email at Abbey. Whitaker@isletapueblo.com.

Upcoming

Join us for a fun filled evening of creativity at the library! Families are invited to come



together and explore the colorful world of Poke Poke Art that will be a hands-on activity that's perfect for all ages. We'll provide all the materials and guidance you need to create your own unique masterpiece. This program is open to 5 families with a max limit of 3 per family and great for children ages 4-8 years old. Sign-ups start on Monday, August 25th, to sign-up please call or come into the library. For more information about this program, please contact Abbey at 505-869-9808 or by email at Abbey. Whitaker@isletapueblo.com.

Discover the Art of Pueblo Pottery! Join us for a special Pottery Demonstration with potter Clarence Cruz from Ohkay Owingeh on Thursday September 25th from 5:00pm to 6:30pm here at the library. Watch as he shares the traditional techniques and artistry behind creating beautiful pueblo pottery. This program is FREE and open to 15 adults &/or teens, registration starts on September 8th at 8am. To sign up please come in or call Aarika at the library at 505-869-9808 or email at Aarika.Jiron@ isletapueblo.com to register. Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the rich cultural heritage of our region and see a master potter at work!

The library will be planning programs for children, teens and adults in the upcoming weeks and months. Please keep your eyes and ears open. We are excited to share our knowledge with you. You can always check for up-to-the-minute updates on the library's website, mobile app, social media, Isleta Newsletter, and library flyers throughout the community. All our programs are FREE and open to the community and public.

Recap

It's Open House Season and library staff have been busy attending Open Houses at the following schools...

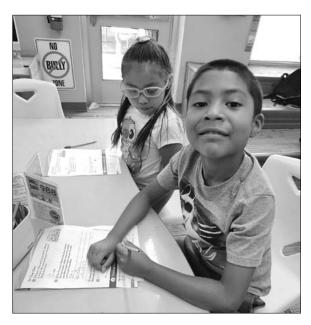
- Sundance Elementary
- Bosque Farms Elementary
- Native American Community Academy (NACA) High School & K-8th
- Isleta Elementary
- Santa Fe Indian School (SFIS)

We're off to a great start with our After School Program with students from Isleta, Sundance and Bosque Farms Elementary. We currently have 20 students enrolled in our program, with transportation to the library after school for Bosque Farms students. Library staff members have been helping students with homework, reading, crafts and activities. We already have an incentive field trip planned for September and students have been coming in and

earning their spot by reading and doing homework to attend the field trip. Incentive field trips are a great way to get students motivated to do their homework and encourage them to read. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the After School Program, please give us a call and speak with a staff member at 505-869-9808.



After School Program Students getting a lesson on how to make Ice Cups to enjoy on a hot afternoon!





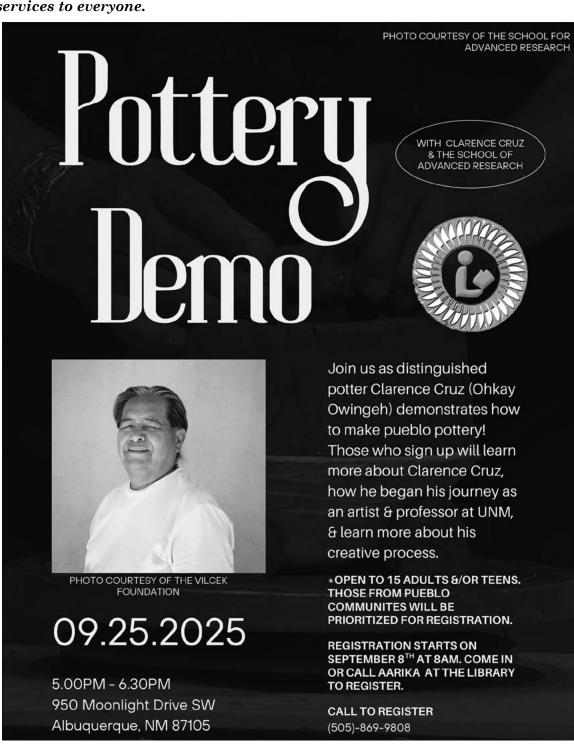
After School Program Students working on homework & crafts!







Library staff drew in different audiences, promoted library services and resources to students, parents and family members. We would like to thank those who visited our booth, gave suggestions or stopped by for some library swag. We would also like to thank the schools for allowing us to promote our services to everyone.



PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Hello Isleta Pueblo, here we are in September already, the mornings are nice and cool and if you're like me you are probably ready for a bit of a cool down. September is a good month to reflect on the year you've had so far, hopefully your year has been productive and positive. September is also a good month to think about new beginnings, with the change in the air weather-wise from summer to autumn, it's a good time for us as individuals to think about and consider making changes in our own lives as well. One good change for any and all of us is to become healthier by eating better and/or exercise a little more, you can't go wrong with that.

Getting healthier makes for a longer better life, and here at the Recreation Department we are all about making your lives better from enjoying the parks that our parks maintenance crew maintains to participating in any of the activities (runs, leagues, afterschool recreation program, fitness classes, swimming activities, etc.) we offer. As you can see our whole department is centered around trying to make the lives of our tribal members better and healthier.

Happy September, everyone! May the September autumn breeze bring each of you new opportunities for love and success!

SPORTS SECTION

There are a few things coming up very quickly, first of all we are still taking registration for our Co-Ed volleyball which will start Oct 7th, 2025. If you want to get your team in this year's Co-Ed Volleyball League, the deadline will be September 8th, 2025.

I would also like to announce that the youth Cross Country season has begun. We currently have 46 runners signed-up and attending practice. Six of the runners are from Isleta Elementary and the other 40 runners are from Los Lunas and Albuquerque schools. The first meet took place at Santa Clara on August 30th. We did well as a team and we have very strong runners. The next meet will take place at Cochiti on September 6th, 2025 at 9am. If you have a chance, come out and support our kids.

Our 2nd Annual Pueblo Harvest run/walk is back, if you are interested in signing up for this run you can do so at the Isleta Recreation starting on September 1st. The deadline to sign up for this run will be on September 15th, all information will be tracked on the Nike Run app (No Treadmills or Elliptical) Outdoors only please! Run will start on September 22nd and will conclude October 22nd, 2025, so lace up your shoes and join the fun.

FITNESS SECTION

As I mentioned earlier, our whole department is here to support you and help you with becoming healthier, so come take advantage of all that we offer. We are here to support and help you reach your goals. Our Fitness Section/Team does a great job, they are a great support group, they will run or walk with you, if you think you need that extra push to get you where you need to be. Join us at the North Track

area on Tuesday mornings at 9:00am or on Thursday Evenings at 5:30pm if you want to start working toward getting in shape for any of our upcoming runs or walks. If you have any questions regarding the support group or any of our fitness classes please call the Isleta Recreation Center at 505-869-9777 Ext: 9012.

Once again, don't forget about the classes (Yoga, Water Aerobics, Pilates, etc.) that we offer. For detailed information about all the fitness classes that are offered here at the Recreation Center, please contact us at (505) 869-9777 Ext: 9012. We would love to hear from you.

Thank you and we look forward to everyone participating and having fun.

AQUATIC SECTION

We hope that your Back To School transition has gone smoothly for both parents and students alike. We know that this transition can be a little stressful, so hang in there, we will all be acclimated and accustomed to this transition very soon.

We currently still have a few openings for our fall swim lesson sessions and we will continue to take registration forms for these lessons until we can fill up all slots. Registration forms are available at the Recreation Center front desk or email Joshua.roybal@isletapueblo.com and we can send you over a printable version to fill out at home. Registration forms can be turned into the Aquatics Office or the Front Desk at the Recreation Center.

Open Swim will be open from 2:00pm until 7:30pm from Monday through Thursday and 2:00pm-5:30pm on Fridays. We will still have a Saturday Session from 8:30am-11:30am!

Morning Lap swim can also be scheduled through the Aquatics office at 505-869-9783 and is available from 5:30am-8:30am M-F.

We also offer Water Aerobics Mondays and Wednesdays at 11:00am as well as 5:30pm, all ages and fitness levels are welcome!

For anyone interested in information about Lifeguard certification, child or adult swim lessons, groups and other aquatic programming, please call Josh or Jessika at 505-869-9783.

RECREATION SECTION

The after-school recreation program is going well so far. Unfortunately, we are a little short-staffed right now so we haven't been able to accommodate all participants who are registered. As soon as we are given the OK to fill our vacant positions and as soon as we can get people hired for those positions, that is when we will contact the rest of the parents who have registered their children in this program to let them know we are fully staffed and able to start their children in the program.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (505) 869-9777 and we gladly answer your question.

Isleta Cross Country Schedule 2025 Season



| Date | Location | Time |
|----------------|------------------|--------|
| August 30th | Santa Clara | 9:00am |
| September 6th | Cochiti | 9:00am |
| September 13th | Zia | 9:00am |
| September 20th | San Felipe | 9:00am |
| September 27th | Jemez Day School | 9:00am |
| October 4th | Isleta (Finals) | 9:00am |
| | | |

| 1 Mile | 1/4 Mile | 1/2 Mile |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 11-12 yr.old girls then boys | 5 yr. old girls then boys | 7 yr. old girls then boys |
| 10 yr.old girls then boys | 6 yr.old girls then boys | 8 yr.old girls then boys |
| 9 yr.old girls then boys | | - |

REMINDER FOR ALL MEETS PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD AT THE REC AT 6:30 AM WE WILL LEAVE NO LATER THAN 6:45 AM.

Also make sure they have their uniforms, shoes and water bottles.

If you are taking your child after meet they need to be checked out by one of the Coaches.

If they are coming back with us please send them with some spending money we may stop to get a bite to eat.

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Health Center

Colon Cancer Screening

Here are the current guidelines for colorectal cancer (colon cancer) screening in the US, based on recommendations from the US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF).:

| Population | Recommendation | Grade |
|-------------------------|--|-------|
| Adults ages 50 to 75 | USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer in all adults ages 50 to 75 years. | A |
| Adults ages 45 to 49 | USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer in adults ages 45 to 49 years. | В |
| Adults ages 76 to 85 | USPSTF recommends that clinicians selectively offer screening for colorectal cancer in adults ages 76 to 85. Evidence indicates that the net benefit of of screening all persons in this age group is small. Patients and clinicians should consider the patient's overall health and prior screening history. | С |

Average-risk individuals

- Age to start screening: 45 years old.
- Continued screening: Through age 75 for people in good health with a life expectancy of more than 10 years.
- Ages 76-85: Screening should be individualized based on a person's preferences, overall health, life expectancy, and prior screening history.
- Over age 85: Routine screening is generally not recommended.

Increased or high-risk individuals

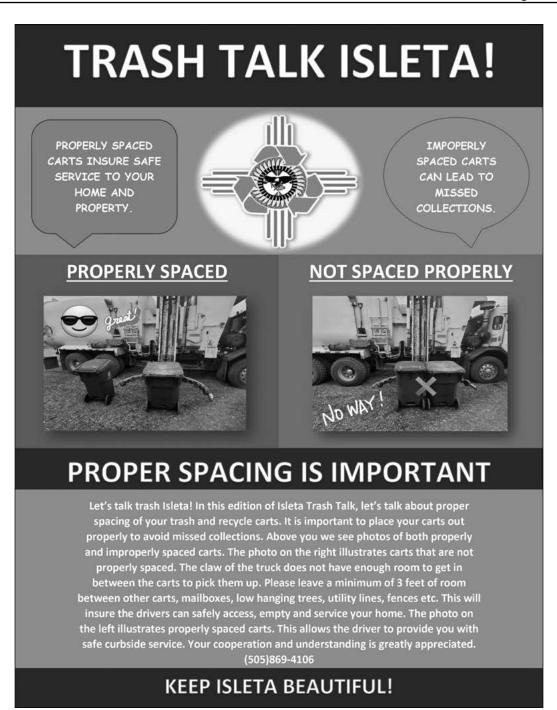
- Earlier screening may be needed before age 45.
- More frequent screening may be required based on previous results.
- Your doctor may recommend specific tests depending on your risk factors.

Screening options

Colorectal cancer screening tests include stool-based tests and colonoscopy. If stool-based test is positive, a colonoscopy is needed to complete the process. Stool-based tests include testing for hidden blood in the stool or DNA markers that can confer a higher risk for cancer. Colonoscopy is the direct visualization of the colon with a small scope and provides more definitive information than stool testing.

Choosing the best test for you

Consult with your doctor to determine the most suitable screening test based on your individual risk factors and preferences. Factors to consider include test frequency, location, preparation requirements, need for sedation, and potential follow-up procedures.



TRASH TALK ISLETA!



Keep it simple, if you do not see it on this flier throw it away in the trash. Do not use your blue recycle cart for trash or it will be confiscated. Have your cart out by 7am. For service schedule announcements check the POI newsletter & POI Facebook. (505) 869-4106

Your recyclables do not need to be bagged, however it is highly recommended to bag your recyclables for curbside pickup during windy season. This is to reduce the chance of creating litter due to winds. If you choose to bag your recyclables it is important to use clear bags only. Colored bags are not accepted at the recycling facility. When your recyclables are bagged in colored bags they are not opened up and your material is landfilled instead of recycled. Using clear bags helps to ensure the health and safety of the line workers who come in contact with the material when sorting at the recycle facility. Using colored bags will result in your recycles not being collected. This is important to sustain the recycle program moving forward. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

ISLETA POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

SEPTEMBER - 2025



Greetings to all......hopefully everyone has settled back in to "in school mode" and established your normal routine. Fall officially begins September 22,

2025 (autumnal equinox), and most people are ready to welcome cooler temperatures. Fall colors will start to be seen and then..... here come the holidays.

Labor Day, September 1 means a long weekend and many will take to the roads for a trip and Isleta Police Department asks all to be prepared and drive defensively. Here are some tips for NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) in the holiday season. Here are some key points to consider:

- •Drive Sober: Avoid driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, as even a small amount can impair your ability to drive safely.
- •Plan Ahead: Schedule rideshare services in advance or have a sober friend pick you up to avoid risky driving.
- •Stay Safe: If you're stuck or stranded, remain with your vehicle to stay safe and make sure others can see you.
- •Winter Driving: If traveling during winter, slow down, increase following distance, and maintain a safe distance from snow plows.

By following these tips, you can help ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday travel experience. Remember to stay informed about the latest safety guidelines and adjust your travel plans accordingly.

These tips are designed to help ensure that you and your loved ones arrive safely to your holiday destination. Remember, safety is always the top priority when traveling during the holiday season.

As drivers, keep in mind during these holidays, children will be out of school and in their neighborhoods so be vigilant for pedestrians, bicyclists, etc. by observing neighborhood speeds, backing out of driveways and just motoring on the roadways.

IHSP TRAFFIC DIVISION

The Traffic Division continues its efforts to make the roadways of Isleta Pueblo safe for all travelers and ask everyone's assistance in this endeavor. Please observe and adhere to speed limits, obey all traffic signals/stop signs, ensure ALL passengers are buckled up (children in appropriate car seat restraints), don't text and drive and DON'T DRINK & DRIVE!

Let's all try to keep Isleta a safe place to travel for everyone.

NOTE:Be aware the division will have a DWI and/or compliance checkpoint this month as well. So, in addition to the warning of "don't drink & drive", please be sure to have current registration and insurance documents as well as a current and valid driver's license to present if you are stopped.

The temperatures will still be relatively above average for a bit longer and IPD cannot stress enough the importance of not leaving children and pets in an unattended vehicle. There have been numerous incidents across the country regarding medical emergencies for children and pets left behind in a vehicle. Be vigilant and remember to check your back seats before getting out of your vehicle.

Isleta Police Department, though going through a transitional period continues to serve the community to the best of its abilities. If you encounter issues or have information for the department, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are still addressing residency and nuisance ordinance issues as before and remind everyone to ensure sponsors are applying and obeying the restrictions until residency is approved. The nuisance ordinance is also still being enforced and if you receive notification of problems with your property, please remedy the situation within the time frame given. Officers will continue follow up visits to ensure progress is being made on the issues.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL



Although it may seem early, time passes quickly and IPD has attended the first meeting for this event at the Rec Center and will definitely be a participant. Dates and times will soon be announced and IPD has already begun its preparations. We hope to see all of you there in October, stop by our booth, play a game and win a prize. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

TRICK OR TREAT!!



A recent publication by the DEA lists the following information:

Fentanyl NARCOTICS (OPIOIDS)

What is Fentanyl?

Fentanyl is a potent synthetic opioid drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration for use as an analgesic (pain relief) and anesthetic. It is approximately 100 times more potent than morphine and 50 times more potent than heroin as an analgesic.

Street Title

Apace, China Girl, China Town, Dance Fever, Friend, Goodfellas, Great Bear, He-Man, Jackpot, King Ivory, Murder 8, Poison and Tango & Cash

How is it consumed?

snorted/sniffed, smoked, orally by pill or tablet, spiked onto blotter paper, patches, sold alone or in combination with heroin and other substances, has been identified in fake pills, mimicking pharmaceutical drugs such as oxycodone.

What is their effect on the body?

Similar to other opioid analgesics, fentanyl produces effects such as: relaxation, euphoria, pain relief, sedation, confusion, drowsiness, dizziness, nausea and vomiting, urinary retention, pupillary constriction, and respiratory depression.

What are the effects of an overdose?

Overdose can cause stupor, changes in pupil size, clammy skin, cyanosis, coma, and respiratory failure leading to death. The presence of a triad of symptoms such as coma, pinpoint pupils, and respiratory depression strongly suggests opioid intoxication.

Forms of Fentanyl Citrate

Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid typically used to treat patients with chronic severe pain or severe pain following surgery. Fentanyl is a Schedule II controlled substance that is similar to morphine but about 100 times more potent. Under the supervision of a licensed medical professional, fentanyl has a legitimate medical use. Patients prescribed fentanyl should be monitored for potential misuse or abuse.

Illicit fentanyl, primarily manufactured in foreign clandestine labs and smuggled into the United States through Mexico, is being distributed across the country and sold on the illegal drug market. Fentanyl is being mixed in with other illicit drugs to increase the potency of the drug, sold as powders and nasal sprays, and increasingly pressed into pills made to look like legitimate prescription opioids. Because there is no official oversight or quality control, these counterfeit pills often contain lethal doses of fentanyl, with none of the promised drug.

There is significant risk that illegal drugs have been intentionally contaminated with fentanyl. Because of its potency and low cost, drug dealers have been mixing fentanyl with other drugs including heroin, methamphetamine, and cocaine, increasing the likelihood of a fatal interaction.

Producing illicit fentanyl is not an exact science. Two milligrams of fentanyl can be lethal depending on a person's body size, tolerance and past usage. DEA analysis has found counterfeit pills ranging from .02 to 5.1 milligrams (more than twice the lethal dose) of

fentanyl per tablet.

- 42% of pills tested for fentanyl contained at least 2 mg of fentanyl, considered a potentially lethal dose.
- Drug trafficking organizations typically distribute fentanyl by the kilogram. One kilogram of fentanyl has the potential to kill 500,000 people.

It is possible for someone to take a pill without knowing it contains fentanyl. It is also possible to take a pill knowing it contains fentanyl, but with no way of knowing if it contains a lethal dose.

According to the CDC, synthetic opioids (like fentanyl) are the primary driver of overdose deaths in the United States. Comparison between 12 months-ending January 31, 2020 and the 12 months-ending January 31, 2021 during this period:

- Overdose deaths involving opioids rose 38.1 percent.
- Overdose deaths involving synthetic opioids (primarily illicitly manufactured fentanyl) rose 55.6 percent and appear to be the primary driver of the increase in total drug overdose deaths.

Unless a drug is prescribed by a licensed medical professional and dispensed by a legitimate pharmacy, you can't know if it's fake or legitimate. And without laboratory testing, there's no way to know the amount of fentanyl in an individual pill or how much may have been added to another drug. This is especially dangerous because of fentanyl's potency.

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Relocation to Isleta Pueblo Governor's Office

Tiwa Lending Services (TLS) is thrilled to announce our relocation back to Isleta Pueblo's Governor's Office, address 117A Tribal Road 40. We will be at this address starting Friday, August 01, 2025.

Welcome TLS'S New Loan Assistant





Greetings Community Members & Partners,

My name is Gabriel Cabrera-Flores, and I'm excited to introduce myself as the newest member of the TLS team. I'm eager to learn, grow, and contribute to the programs and services we provide to Native Commu-

I bring over eight years of experience in customer service and management, and I'm looking forward to applying those skills in a meaningful way here at TLS.

Outside of work, I'm a proud father to my 5-year-old son, who will be starting kindergarten next year. In my free time, I enjoy playing basketball, spending time with friends and family, and taking nature walks.

Tiwa Lending Services Programs & Services



Mortgage lending available to Native Americans in Valencia, Bernalillo, and Sandoval counties. Our mortgage loan product is designed to keep homeownership affordable whether you are planning to build, purchase, renovate, or refinance. Tiwa Lending Services is an equal housing lender, NMLS ID 2402244.

Consumer lending available to Isleta Tribal Members to create a positive credit history. Loans can be utilized for credit building, credit repair, debt consolidation, home improvements, personal, and emergency. To qualify you must provide driver's license, Isleta census ID, source of income, and active banking information.

As a HUD Certified Counseling Agency, we provide education on credit, financial management, or homebuyer readiness. Classes are hosted on an annual basis and one-on-one sessions are available anytime. What should you expect from a one-on one session? Intake of your information, outline goals & obstacles, and create an

READY TO GET STARTED? CONTACT OUR STAFF TODAY!



Gabriel Cabrera-Flores

Sheila Herrera

Miranda Lente Executive Director Loan Officer/HUD HOC

Phone: (505) 916-0556 Website: www.Tiwalending.org

Isleta National Diabetes Prevention Program



As of May 2025, the Health Center's Diabetes Prevention Treatment Program and (DPTP) was recognized by the CDC to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes. It is the only tribal organization in New Mexico with CDC recognition. The program, which has been

heavily researched in the Diabetes Prevention Program Outcomes Study (DPPOS), has shown that participants who complete the program can prevent or delay type 2 diabetes for at least 15 years. The research also shows that the program is more effective than medications at preventing type 2 diabetes.

The National DPP lifestyle change program can help you build healthy new habits that last a lifetime. The program runs for one year. During the first 4-6 months of the program, you'll meet about once a week. During the 2nd half of the program, you'll meet once or twice a month. Making lifestyle changes is an ongoing process. Staying in the program for the full year is essential to help you stick to new habits and avoid slipping back into old habits. If you have not reached your goals in the first half of the program, your Lifestyle Coach and other group members can help you succeed.

In the first half of the program, you'll learn to:

- Eat healthy without giving up all the foods you
- Add physical activity to your life, even if you don't think you have time.
- Deal with stress.
- Cope with challenges that can slow your progress, like choosing healthy food when eating out.

In the second half of the program, you'll enhance the skills you've learned so you can maintain the changes you've made. These sessions will review key ideas such as tracking your food and physical activity, setting goals, staying motivated, and overcoming barriers. Your Lifestyle Coach and the group will continue to support you. You'll learn some new information, too.

The program will be starting soon. Dinner will be provided each session. If interested in finding out more information or to register, please call the DPTP at (505)869-4595.

September

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders **Awareness Month**



No amount of alcohol is safe while pregnant. Alcohol crosses the placenta and may affect the fetus. Fetal alcohol spectrum disorders can impact physical, developmental and behavioral health. They may be permanent. Physical symptoms include abnormal facial features and being small for age. Among other struggles, a child could also have vision and hearing impediments. Developmental issues may include delayed speech and learning difficulties. Furthermore, behavioral problems may exist such as ADHD and troubles with reasoning and judgement. Keep your baby safe and avoid alcohol while pregnant.

ISLETA WIC OFFICE 505-869-2662

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Maybe you've heard of the prostate, and wondered what is it? The prostate is a gland located below the bladder that only men have. Cancer happens when the cells in the prostate grow out of control.

Who should get a prostate cancer screening?

Prostate cancer screening is recommended on a case-by-case personalized basis for men between the ages of 55 and 69 years old and can be considered at a younger age for people with a family history of prostate cancer. Men in these age groups should talk with their doctor about the pros and cons of prostate cancer screening.

How is the prostate cancer screening test done?

Screening for prostate cancer is done through a simple blood test to measure the level of "Prostate-Specific Antigen (PSA)." Some doctors may offer a prostate exam, done through the rectum, however this is not required.

What are signs of prostate problems?

The following are symptoms of a large prostate. In most cases, this is a common treatable condition. However, symptoms caused by a large prostate can also be warning signs of prostate cancer. Men with any of the problems below should talk to their doctor.

- Difficulty peeing Having a dribbling urine stream.
- Frequent trips to the bathroom
- · Waking up at night multiple times to pee
- Feeling like you still need to pee after you pee
- Pain or burning when you pee Blood in the urine.
- Pain in your back, hips, or pelvis that does not go

If you have questions or worries, the best thing to do is schedule an appointment with your doctor. To schedule an appointment at Isleta Health Center, call 505-869-3200.

Shawnee Arciniega, RN, BSN, BPH Public Health Nurse

Reviewed by Dr. Rachel Kelley, MD Isleta Health Center

 $WIC\ NEWS ext{-}$ Our tea party was a huge success! Thank you to all our families and POI community who attended!

We greatly appreciated the generous donations for our raffle, food and music as well as vendors that were present. Our event included donations from Pueblo of Isleta Resort and Casino, Costco, Dion's, Albertsons, Albuquerque Isotopes, Isleta Recreation Center, Isleta Environmental Department, Jerry's Market, Explora, Zomee, NAAPR Dental, New Mexico Breastfeeding Task Force and DJ Randy Jim's Productions. Vendors who attended included NAAPR Dental, Presbyterian, Isleta Head Start, PB&J Services, Black Corn Remedy and Star Medical. Thank you everyone for making this event successful!









ANY ONE. ANY STRUGGLE ANY TIME.

Did you know?

NM Native American youth who have a trusted adult in their lives are less likely to experience frequent mental health distress and engage in risky behaviors.

REASONS TO CALL 988:

- · Feeling lonely, hopeless, angry
- · Worried about safety for
- yourself or a loved one Worried about substance use
- · Need someone to talk to

IF YOU HAVE AN AREA CODE FROM **OUTSIDE NM AND YOU GET** DIRECTED TO A NON-NM STATE, YOU CAN ASK TO BE TRANSFERRED TO NM.



988 IS:

- · Someone to talk to
- Free
- 24/7
- Confidential
- · Access to local resources

CALL. CHAT.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT 988: VISIT 988NM.ORG

Isleta Elder Center

ADULT DAY SERVICES

September 2025 Activity Calendar

| MONDAY 1 | TUESDAY 2 | WEDNESDAY 3 | THURSDAY 4 | FRIDAY 5 |
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| ********* WE ARE CLOSED for Labor Day! | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Tai Chi Tuesday 1-3p Pressed Flower Vases | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Blood Cancer Discussion 1-3p Plastic Canvas | ADS CLOSED In observance of St. Augustinito Feast | 10a-3 Barela's Senior Center Fiesta |
| MONDAY 8 | TUESDAY 9 | WEDNESDAY 10 | THURSDAY 11 | FRIDAY 12 |
| 9a-3p New Mexico State | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Machine Exercise | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a ITP Awareness | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Make Indian | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises |
| Fair *Bring sunscreen and a hat* | 1-3p Clay Sculpture | 1-3p ADS Bird Bath Project | Cookies 1-3p Enjoy Cookies | 1-3p Paint Sculpture |
| MONDAY 15 | TUESDAY 16 | WEDNESDAY 17 | THURSDAY 18 | FRIDAY 19 |
| 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Sepsis Discussion 1-3p Balloon Tennis | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Tai Chi Tuesday 1-3p Listen to Pueblo Music | ADS CLOSED Staff Training | 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Make Cherry Pies 1-3p Enjoy Pies | 9a-3p Fall Risk Screening Event @ North Domingo Baca Center/Lunch |
| MONDAY 22 | TUESDAY 23 | WEDNESDAY 24 | THURSDAY 25 | FRIDAY 26 |
| 9-10am Breakfast, Social | 9-10am Breakfast, Social | 9-10am Breakfast, Social | 9-10am Breakfast, Social, Health Check | 9-10am Breakfast, Social |
| 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises | 10-11a Cooking Demo w/ Karen, Dietitian | 10-11a Machine Exercise | 10-11a Sickle Cell Presentation | 10-11a Pool Noodle Exercise |
| 1-3p ADS Bingo | 1-3p Make Apple Butter | 1-3p Sew Baby Blankets | 1-3p Sew Pillows | 1-3p Visit Snake Ranch Farm |
| MONDAY 29 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Machine Exercise | TUESDAY 30 9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Tai Chi Tuesday | | in joining the Adul , please call (505) | AND THE RESIDENCE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NOT THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TWO IS NAMED |

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1-3p Finish Sewing Projects

1-3 Sew Ribbon Skirts





Activities may be subject to change

WALKING HELPS KEEP YOUR HEART STRONG,
YOUR JOINTS FLEXIBLE, AND YOUR SPIRITS HIGH. IT
BOOSTS MEMORY, LIFTS YOUR MOOD, AND EVEN
HELPS YOU SLEEP BETTER. BEST OF ALL, IT'S FREE,
EASY, AND CAN BE DONE AT YOUR OWN PACE.
LET EACH STEP REMIND YOU THAT YOU'RE
INVESTING IN YOUR WELL-BEING, ONE STRIDE AT
A TIME.

YOU'RE NEVER TOO OLD TO START. YOU'RE JUST WISE ENOUGH TO KNOW HOW MUCH IT MATTERS.

JOIN THE CLUB FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE
AT THE END OF THE MONTH. FOR MORE INFO
SEE OR CALL CHERYLDINE "THURBY' VALENCIA
AT THE ISLETA ELDER CENTER
505-869-9770

Isleta Elder Center Menu 2025

Green Chile Alfredo Sauce

Activities Rm.

Garlic Bread

Wonton Strips 2oz

Walking Club Stroll

Fresh Fruit





Please call by 9am to Cancel Home

Delivered Meals.



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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 9/1/2025 | 9/2/2025 | 9/3/2025 | 9/4/2025 | 9/5/2025 |
| Elder Center Closed | Beef Barley Soup | Chicken Bacon Wraps | Elder Center Closed | Turkey Sliders |
| | Ground Beef 3oz | Chicken tenders 3oz | Happy Feast Day! | Slice Turkey 3oz |
| * * * * * * * * | Mixed Vegetable 1/2c | Bacon 2oz | | Swiss Cheese 1oz |
| * We'll Be Closed | Barley 1/2c | Romaine Lettuce 1oz | | Dinner Roll |
| IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY | Crackers | Slice Tomato 1oz | | Sweet Potato Tots 1/2c |
| | Fresh Fruit | 12" Tortilla | | Fruit Cup |
| 9/8/2025 | 9/9/2025 | 9/10/2025 | 9/11/2025 | 9/12/2025 |
| Glazed Salmon | Ground Pork w/Squash | Beef & Broccoli Stir Fry | Tortellini Soup | Turkey Casserole |
| Salmon 3oz | Ground Pork 3oz | Beef Strips 3oz | Italian Sausage 3oz | Dice Turkey 3oz |
| Steamed Rice 1/2c | Zucchini & Yellow Squash 1/2c | Steamed Broccoli 1/2c | Dice Butternut Squash 1/2c | 5 way vegetable 1/2c |
| Roasted Broccolini 1/2c | Corn & Green Chile 1/2c | Noodles 1/2c | Spinach 1/2c | Cream of Chicken 1/2c |
| Drange rosemary Glaze 2oz | Tortilla | Teriyaki Sauce 2oz | Dice Tomato 1/2c | Egg Noodles 1/2c |
| Mixed Fruit | Fresh Fruit | Mixed Melon | Tortellini 1/2c | Fresh Fruit |
| 9/15/2025 | 9/16/2025 | 9/17/2025 | 9/18/2025 | 9/19/2025 |
| Salisbury Steak | Cheese Quesadilla | Tuna Sandwich | Beans | Meatloaf |
| Salisbury Steak 3oz | Shredded Cheese 1c | Tuna 3oz | Ground Beef 3oz | Ground Beef 3oz |
| Gravy 2oz | Tortilla 10' | Diced Onions & Celery 1/2c | Pinto Beans 1/2c | Dice Onions & Celery 2oz |
| lixed Vegetables 1/2c | Salsa 2oz | WW Bread | Green Chile 2oz | Mash Potatoes 1/2c |
| Dinner Roll | Roasted Corn 1/2c | Cucumber w/Ranch | Tortilla | Gravy 2oz |
| Fresh Fruit | Fresh Fruit | Baked Cookie | Banana Muffin | Mixed Vegetable 1/2c |
| 9/22/2025 | 9/23/2025 | 9/24/2025 | 9/25/2025 | 9/26/2025 |
| Meatball Sub | Garbanzo Bean Soup | Pulled Pork | Turkey BLT | BBQ Chicken |
| Meatballs 3oz | Beef Stew Meat 3oz | Shredded Pork 3oz | Slice Turkey 3oz | Chicken Breast 3oz |
| Marinara Sauce 1/2c | Garbanzo Beans 1/2c | BBQ Sauce 2oz | Bacon 2oz | Roasted Sweet Potato 1/2c |
| Mozzarella Cheese 2oz | Mixed Vegetable 1/2c | Hamburger Bun | Lettuce & Slice Tomato 2oz | Green Beans 1/2c |
| Sub Bun | Crackers | Baked Beans 1/2c | WW Bread | BBQ Sauce 2oz |
| Steamed Zucchini 1/2c | Fresh Fruit | Apple Slaw 1/2c | Mayo 2oz | Mixed Fruit |
| resh Fruit | | | Mixed Melon | |
| 9/29/2025 | 9/30/2025 | 当 | Please come join us for Congregate | Meals!! |
| Egg Roll Bowl | Chicken Alfredo | | Mealtime is more enjoyable when yo | was made and the second |
| Fround Pork 3oz | Dice Chicken 3oz | | with friends! Come eat, share stories | |
| Cabbage Mix 1/2c | WW Fettuccini 1/2c | 是 多米月》2000年 | socialize with others. | |
| Soy Sauce 2oz | California Vegetable 1/2c | 一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个 | | |

MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE, BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF PRODUCTS. Created 7/29/25 Revised 8/6/25

MONDAY-FRIDAY September 2025 8:00AM - 4:30PM 505-869-9770 **CLOSED FEDERAL HOLIDAYS** Wednesday Tuesday Thursday Friday Monday 3 5 Tai Chi Soap Making 11am Shuffleboard 1pm Activities Rm 1pm Activities Rm. Activities Rm. Trivia 12:30pm St. Augustine Feast Day **Walking Club Stroll** Center Closed 9 10 11 Tai Chi Mass 11:30am **Nutrition Presentation NM State Fair** Trivia 11am 12:30 **IHC Provider Meet & Greet** leaving elder center 12:30pm Activities Rm. Dining Hall 12pm 9:30am Dining Hall Cornhole 1pm Shuffleboard 1pm Dining Hall Activities Rm. Activities Rm. Walking Club Stroll Walking Club Stroll Scrabble 1pm 16 18 **Healthier Choices** No Activities **Battle Ship Rock Open Activities** 11am **Cooking Demo Picnic** Activities Rm. 12:30pm Jemez, NM Medicare 101 Dining Hall Presentation 1pm Walking Club Stroll Commodity Distribution Walking Club Stroll 22 24 25 26 MEXICO AGING NEW AGING Tai Chi AGING **Diamond Art SERVICES** 11am **SERVICES SERVICES** 1pm **47th Annual Conference** Activities Rm. Activities Rm. 47th Annual Conference 47th Annual Conference Glorieta, NM BINGO 1pm Must RSVP Glorieta, NM Glorieta, NM Walking Club Stroll **Commodity Distribution** Must RSVP Must RSVP Walking Club Stroll 29 30 **Nutrition Cooking Demo** Call or visit the elder center to sign up for activities in advance. **Open Activities** during lunch All activities are a first come, first served basis and are open to everyone age Cornhole 50+ unless otherwise noted. Scheduled activities are subject to change. 1pm