Daniella Scalice, Education and Public Outreach Lead for the NASA Astrobiology Program will be meeting with Tribal Higher Education Directors and Coordinators of the 8 Northern Pueblos. Mrs. Scalice will be discussing information on educational opportunities, and upcoming project ideas that will be great learning experiences for our tribal youth.

In addition, the College of Education will present on Northern’s American Indian Education Teacher grant to recruit and place teachers in public schools. We are looking to establish regular meetings to continue updates on the progress of the grant and other education initiatives.

Meeting will take place on Monday, March 30th at 10AM at the NNMU Boardroom.
ENCHILADA DINNER FUNDRAISER

Help AISO in their goal to attend the Native American & Indigenous Studies Association Conference in DC!

ADULTS—$8, CHILDREN—$5

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

PLATE INCLUDES:

ENCHILADA BEANS BEVERAGE

TORTILLA RICE DESSERT

Plus: SILENT AUCTION!

For tickets or information, contact the American Indian Center at (505)747-5405 or by email at: aic@nnmc.edu
Native American Language Conference
Date: March 13, 2015
Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m
Place: Buffalo Thunder Resort & Casino

Topics of Conference will Include:
2nd Generation Language Learners,
100 years of Federal Policy Impacting Native Languages,
How Language can be integrated into a classroom setting,
State Policies that impact Native Language in New Mexico,
And many more!

Free continental breakfast and lunch will be provided!

Free Language Conference is open to all New Mexico Tribal Communities, Native American 11th and 12th Grade Students, Adult language learners, Tribal Senior Citizens, and New Mexico language programs.

For more information or to register, please contact:
Brandon Ceniceros,
Tewa Language Coordinator
505-438-3566 (Office)
Or e-mail: bccanic@puebloofpojoaque.org
Due to limited space, all 150 attendees, deadline to register will be March 2, 2015

Sponsors:
ANA Pueblo of Pojoaque Tewa Language Preservation and Maintenance Project Grant
SAVE THE DATE!
Santa Clara Development Corporation

3rd Annual
Northern New Mexico “Community” College Fair

March 25th, 2015
11am - 6pm
Santa Claran Event Center

Meet with University and College recruiters to learn more about:

- College Application Process
- Scholarships
- Financial Aid
- Athletic Programs
- Various Degree Programs

For more information, please contact RJ Martinez at (505) 367-4527 or email at richard.martinez@santaclaran.com
NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY NATIVE AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
2015 Scholarship Program Guidelines

Mission Statement

The mission of the New Mexico Gas Company, Inc. (NMGC) Native American Scholarship Program (NASP) is to provide financial assistance that will support post-secondary education among Native American students. NMGC’s scholarship opportunities are afforded to Native American students residing in New Mexico who have demonstrated motivation in pursuit of higher education.

NASP Committee

The New Mexico Gas Company, Native American Scholarship Program committee has the responsibility for receiving and reviewing the applications, and awarding the scholarships.

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<td>Applications for scholarships will be accepted beginning March 6, 2015. All applications will be submitted using the website provided by NMGC-NASP. The application deadline is April 10, 2015. All applicants will be notified of the award decisions no later than May 15, 2015. Presentation of the awards will be made by the NASP Committee at the annual Native American Scholarship Awards Banquet.</td>
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<td>To be eligible for an award, the student must be a Native American resident of the State of New Mexico, an enrolled member of a New Mexico Pueblo, Tribe, or Nation and a graduate or expected graduate, of a New Mexico high school, or have obtained a GED from the State of New Mexico. Students currently pursuing post-secondary education at a university, college or trade school, or are pursuing a technical training program are eligible. Tribal enrollment status in a New Mexico Pueblo, Tribe or Nation will be verified by the applicant’s respective tribal government enrollment department.</td>
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<td>High school students applying for a scholarship must graduate or have obtained a GED certificate from the State of New Mexico. All information contained in the application will be considered during the selection process.</td>
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<td><strong>Award Recipient Responsibilities</strong></td>
<td>Award recipients will be encouraged to report their scholastic status to the NMGC-NASP at <a href="mailto:nasp.nmgco@gmail.com">nasp.nmgco@gmail.com</a> periodically throughout the course of the academic year.</td>
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<td>Scholarship awards will be paid directly to the recipient in the form of a check to be used for expenses incurred allowing the individual to attend school. Scholarship checks will be awarded during the annual awards banquet. If a recipient is not present at the banquet, the check will be mailed to the address provided on the application.</td>
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National Relief Charities
Building Strong, Self-Sufficient American Indian Communities

American Indian Education Foundation
Scholarship Application Form

The American Indian Education Foundation was established to support educational opportunities for American Indian and Alaska Native students. Our vision is strong, self-sufficient American Indian Communities. Scholarships are awarded for each school year and are chosen by a national selection committee. Decisions are based on an overall assessment of the application.

APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETE AND POSTMARKED BY APRIL 4th TO BE CONSIDERED.
Completed applications received before March 1st will earn you one additional point on your score!

Applicant Criteria

• Native American or Alaska Native descent (student or one parent must be enrolled and have documentation)
• Attending an accredited 2 or 4 year college/university or technical/vocational school
• Must be enrolled as a full-time student
• GPA between 2.0-3.4 is desirable (but ALL current or future undergraduate college students are encouraged to apply)
• An ACT score of 14 or above is desirable
• Scholarships are available for undergraduate studies only – online colleges are not applicable
• Scholarship can only be used for tuition and books

Scholarships available through the American Indian Education Foundation

AIEF Undergraduate Scholarship: Scholarships are for $2,000 for the full year.

AIEF does not offer funding for summer programs/studies or online colleges.
Memorial and Designated Scholarships: All finalists are eligible to be reviewed for these scholarships.
Notification of Awards: Do not call the AIEF offices, awarded students will be notified by mail no later than July 7th.

Application Checklist

1. Please read and follow instructions carefully.
2. Complete ALL sections of the application.
3. Include these documents (copies are acceptable), securely clip together (NO STAPLES), and submit in a large envelope in the following order:
   - AIEF Application Form
   - Community Involvement Form
   - Essay – guidelines provided (not to exceed 4 pages double spaced, 12 pt. font only)
   - Photo of yourself with your name printed on the back (secure on back of application)
     ➢ Please submit a 4 x 6 (or similar sized) color photo of yourself
     ➢ Original print photos are preferred
     ➢ DO NOT submit a photo printed on plain copy paper
     ➢ Sign the BACK of your photo
   - Tribal Enrollment Document/Card – COPY ONLY – Do not send original!
   - Recent Transcripts (Do NOT have to be official – Unofficial or Web Advisor acceptable)
   - GED Documentation (if applicable)
   - ACT Test Scores (applicable to ONLY incoming freshman who have taken the ACT Test)
   - SAT Scores (applicable to ONLY incoming freshman who have taken the SAT Test)
Seeking STEM Majors
Earn Money while earning your degree

Northern New Mexico University STEM Scholar program provides STEM student support services to students pursuing a STEM major. STEM scholars will work closely with their STEM mentor to design an academic plan. The STEM mentor will attentively work to review and track students progress. To have access to all the opportunities offered by the program, STEM scholars will be required to participate in seminars, fieldtrips, one to one sessions with STEM mentor, research projects, STEM scholars meetings, and other STEM events. STEM scholars will have access to a computer lab, study area, and tutoring services. Through participation in this program, students will be able to earn $10 per hours and will be expected to spend 21 hours per week on program-related activities. **STEM Scholar positions are limited. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt. An interview will be scheduled as part of the application process.**

**STEM Scholars Responsibility**

1. Meet with STEM mentor 4 times per semester at minimum to discuss and review academic progress, academic success, and any circumstances that may be inhibiting the STEM scholar’s academic achievement. Meet with mentor to create educational goals and plans.
2. Attend STEM workshops, fieldtrips, one to one sessions with mentor, and assist in Northern’s Friday Academy program and other STEM events.
3. Spend 21 hours per week on program-related activities.
4. Maintain satisfactory grades in all courses and provide mentor with a Midterm Progress Report.
5. Notify STEM mentor immediately if doing poorly, struggling, or considering dropping any courses.
6. Respond to Early Alert notice and make an appointment with mentor to review and address area of concern.
7. Receive supplemental instruction, such as tutoring, when recommended by instructor or mentor.
8. Notify mentor immediately if unable to make a scheduled appointment. If more than 2 scheduled appointments are missed without notice, the STEM scholar will automatically be dropped from the program.

For more information contact NNMU NRG STEM-Col-Lab Site Coordinator at:  
[link](mailto:sandy_m_sanchez@nnmc.edu); (505)747-2182
Throughout the United States, Native communities suffer from a lack of qualified professionals—teachers, engineers, doctors, communication specialists, business managers, social workers, and technicians. Well-paying jobs exist in Indian communities, but few Indians are prepared to fill them. Hospitals, dental clinics, schools, engineering and agricultural projects, all remain understaffed and seriously unable to meet community needs.

A prime reason for the lack of qualified Indian professionals is the poor state of Native American education today. The high school dropout rate for Indians is 50%, more than twice the rate for the nation as a whole. Of the Indian students who finish high school, only 17% attend college, with the majority attending public, two-year community colleges. Few Native Americans attend four-year colleges, and less than one percent attend the nation’s top Ivy League colleges.

Catching the Dream seeks to address this deficiency. Our high-priority areas of study are math, engineering, science, business, education, and computers. These fields of study are critical to the future of Indian people and the nation, and Native Americans are very underrepresented in these fields.

Catching the Dream is a national Native American education and scholarship center. Our strategy is to:

1.) Actively seek out Native American high school students with academic potential from all regions and tribes of the United States and help prepare them for college;

2.) Encourage and assist Native American high schools to establish college preparatory programs.

3.) Establish information-sharing networks and national training sessions for teachers and administrators to strengthen their college preparatory programs;

4.) Orient parents, grandparents, and tribal leaders so they can provide effective support for their college-bound students.

Catching the Dream works in collaboration with other groups concerned with improving Native American education, for example, with two-year tribal colleges by helping qualified graduates further their education. CTD provides supplementary scholarship funding for those students who have received financial assistance from other sources. Once we select students, they are guaranteed funding for four years and beyond, should they go on to earn graduate degrees.

Over 85% of Catching the Dream’s scholarship recipients have earned college degrees, and 85% have returned to work in tribal communities.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT: catchingthedream.org
Learn why listing previous job responsibilities on your resume isn’t getting you anywhere. Find out how to answer difficult questions, like “What are your strengths and weaknesses?” Discover how to create the perfect cover letter in minutes. **All students are invited**, and Accelerate program members get paid for attending.

**What:** Workshops Till I Drop Day (Attend any or all of 5 workshops)

**When:** This Saturday (the first day of spring break)

- 8:30 am - 10:30 am  
  Resumes that Excite Employers
- 10:45 am - 12:45 pm  
  Slash and Burn college Costs
- 12:45 pm - 1:15 pm  
  Lunch
- 1:15 pm - 3:15 pm  
  How to Pitch Your Company Fit
- 3:15 pm - 5:15 pm  
  Opening Doors: Interviews
- 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm  
  Cover Letters & Career Correspondence

**Where:** Room 101, Sostenga/Johnson Controls Building

This building is across Railroad Ave. going East from the gym.

**Who:** Christy Dammen has been a college, workforce, MBA, and executive career coach for more than 11 years. She successfully changed careers after working as a reporter and editor for major newspapers, including The Washington Post.

**RSVP:** Christy Dammen, 505-747-5443, cdammen@nnmc.edu

All participants get a chance to win a $25 gift card.
The Men and Lady Eagles ended a record-breaking season this weekend with some of the best played games in Northern history during the 2015 All Conference Tournament.

Eight teams from the Association of Independent Institutions came through Española for a series of events and games to determine which team would proceed to the NAIA National Tournament in March.

Northern and the All Conference Tournament teams joined the Española Valley Boys and Girls Club and the YMCA in learning about good sportsmanship during the Champions of Character event Thursday afternoon. Teams, families and fans gathered for a banquet in the evening to honor the teams and players. The following received awards:

The Lady Eagles defeated Indiana Northwest University 76-73 during the 2nd women's semifinal Friday night but fell to Ashford University 62-65 during Saturday's championship game.

The Men beat Fisher College 84-78 during Friday's semifinal but were also defeated by Ashford Saturday 87-92 during a nail-biting triple overtime game.

Go Eagles, we are proud of you!
Do you want to get the most out of every dollar you spend on college?

Why waste time and money on a Math or English class you may not need?

Refresh your skills and you may place into a higher class!

FREE COMPASS Test Prep Workshops

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TO RESERVE A SPACE

Contact Deborah Begel,
Developmental Writing Specialist at dbegel@nnmc.edu or 747-2216

Contact Shaun Cooke,
Developmental Math Specialist at scooke@nnmc.edu or 747-2226

Sponsored by Title V Éxito
The American Indian Student Organization (A.I.S.O.) is based out of the American Indian Center at Northern New Mexico University (formerly Northern New Mexico College). A.I.S.O. is an active student organization whose mission is to increase representation of American Indian students at Northern by creating an academic support network through culturally relevant activities that foster unity and celebrate tribal traditions. Our student organization has been actively involved with sponsoring lectures and cultural activities that are geared toward sharing our American Indian perspectives. Our AISO students come from a variety of tribes with majors in areas such as Education, Business and Pueblo Indian Studies.

We are raising funds to support student travel to attend the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association conference to be held at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington D.C. in June 2015. This travel experience will provide our students to visit one of the world’s most unique museums and diverse collections of its kind. We are excited to have the opportunity to attend the NAISA conference to learn more about the histories and cultures of indigenous peoples.

Many of our students have never had the opportunity to travel outside New Mexico. We value the opportunity to learn about our nation’s history and participate in an international academic conference.

Thank you for supporting the opportunity to continue our educational pathways. Any amount helps to meet our travel costs and your donation is greatly appreciated!

You can donate at: gofundme.com/northernaiso
Native Student Travel Fund!!

Show your support by going to this link

GoFundMe.com/northernaiso
Fine Arts Department
Presents
An Educational Exhibit and Lecture
Buon Fresco
The Art of Frederico Vigil

Lecture, March 26, 2015
12p.m.-1:30p.m.
Nick Salazar
Center for the Arts
921 N. Paseo de Oñate | Española, NM 87532

Exhibit will run
March 10 - April 2
Gallery open 11a.m.-1p.m.
Mon.-Fri.
Special tours arranged, call 747-2295
Come grow with us this Spring!

Our hours of availability are:

- Monday: 10am - 8pm
- Tuesday: 10am - 8pm
- Wednesday: 10am - 8pm
- Thursday: 10am - 8pm

For questions, or to fill out a customer service survey please contact Shaun Cooke @ 747-2226 or Scooke@NNMC.edu. Customer service surveys are available on our blackboard page.

All tutoring will take place in HT 101
CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

The Writing Center is open, with extended hours on Fridays

At the Writing Center you can:

- Get FREE Tutoring in half hour sessions
- Work on one of our computers
- Print up to ten pages a day FREE

Call 747-2294 to make a tutoring appointment or drop in and make one. Telephone tutoring is also available. Just make an appointment, send in your paper an hour or two before the time, and call 747-2294 at the scheduled time.

Do tell us what area you would like to concentrate on in your session, such as grammar, clarity, structure, citations, etc.

This semester we are open from 10 am to 6 pm on Mondays through Thursdays.

We’re open from 10 am to 4 pm on Fridays.

We are in 129 AD, on the lower level of the Administration Building.

Come see us! We look forward to working with you.
APPLY NOW
for FALL 2015
SCHOLARSHIPS
@Northern New Mexico University

Scholarships are available for students in all disciplines, including Nursing, Environmental Science, Education, Engineering, Business, and Cosmetology. Current students and students who plan to attend Northern in Fall 2015 and register for at least 6 credit hours are eligible to apply.*

Apply Now! Deadline is 5 pm, March 27, 2015

*View the application, instructions, and complete eligibility requirements online at www.nnm.edu.
Go to Students → Scholarships → Northern Foundation Scholarships.
For more info: Visit the Financial Aid Office in AD 278, call 505-747-2128 or email viviane@nnm.edu

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American Indian Center

Our Mission

Our mission is to create and implement a safe and empowering learning environment that prepares native students to contribute to the well-being of themselves and that of their respective communities. We are here to provide students with access to safe spaces to succeed in their environments.

Visit: American Indian Center