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(Something good you hear about in Hannahville)

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COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Hannahville Indian Community Tribal Member Christmas Party on Sunday, December 6th at the Casino Convention Center. Pictures with Santa will start at noon. Meal will be served at 1:00 p.m. The menu includes: baked ham, herbed baked chicken, wild rice blend, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable medley, sweet corn, ham & cheese salad, fruit salad, apple pie and lemon berry shortcake.



Ticket prices: ages 0-3 free, ages 4-12 \$5.00 and ages 13 & up \$10.00. Tickets can be purchased beforehand beginning Wednesday, December 2nd from Jackie Kang in the Tribal Administration building or at the entrance the day of the party. Call Jackie Kang with any questions at 723-2601.

Youth Services' **DIY Christmas Cookie Decorating**, on Tuesday, December 8th starting at 5:30 pm. Come for dinner and then stay and decorate sugar cookies to your liking! We'll provide the cookies, frosting and sprinkles, you provide the smiles.

Youth Services' **Gingerbread House Workshop** on Tuesday, December 15th at 5:30 pm. One of our most popular family events during the holiday season, this year we'll feature prize giveaways to help celebrate our Youth Center building's 10th Anniversary!



Island Resort & Casino Employee Christmas Party Tuesday, December 15th. Schedule of Events: Registration 4:00 p.m. Welcome 4:30 p.m. Dinner 5:00 p.m. Short Program 7:00 p.m. All Employees are invited and can bring one guest (18 years old or older). Join us for games, prizes and great fun!

Hannahville Indian Community Employee Christmas Party on Saturday, December 19th at the Casino Convention Center. Social hour will begin at 5:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. and prizes will start at 8:00 p.m. Menu includes: BBQ ribs, herbed baked chicken, taco salad, broccoli salad, glazed carrots, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans almondine, snickers pie and New York cheesecake. Tickets are \$15.00 per person can be purchased beforehand beginning Wednesday, December 16th from Jackie Kang in the Tribal Administration building or at the entrance the day of the party. Call Jackie Kang with any questions at 723-2601.

Youth Services' **Christmas Craft Night**, Tuesday, December 22nd at 5:30 pm. Join us for clever craft ideas and stocking stuffers that even little hands can manage to complete! Any questions regarding events or programs offered through the Youth Center? Call us after 1:00 pm daily at 466-5397.

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*Merry Christmas
and Happy
New Year!*

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Community Information

TRIBAL COUNCIL

Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at 10:00 am in the Tribal Council chambers at the Administration Building. To be added to the agenda call Tammy Meshigaud, Tribal Council Secretary at 723-2604.

ADULT & CHILD WELFARE

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 10:00 am within the Visions Center.

GAMING COMMISSION

Meetings are twice a month on Wednesday's at 10:00 am within the Casino. Call Brad Madalinski, Gaming Commission Director at 723-2046 with any questions.

HEALTH BOARD

Meetings are on the fourth Thursday of every month at 3:00 pm in the upstairs conference room of the Health & Human Services building.

HOUSING BOARD

The Housing Board meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 2:00 pm within the Housing Department.

SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board meets on the second Thursday of every month at 3:00 pm in the School conference room.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 116

Post 116 meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Elder's Building #1 Commons Area.

All times and dates are subject to change. Due to confidentiality reasons, some meetings may have closed sessions.

From your Enrollment Department

It is very important that all Tribal Members and Registered Descendants keep their contact information current with the Enrollment Office, whether you live on or off tribal lands.

Your residential address is used in a variety of ways. Examples: when you enroll a child, your residency accuracy is very important; for fire/safety reasons; during tribal elections for voter and board eligibility; census data, etc. Therefore, anytime you move, please be sure to contact the Enrollment Officer with your new address and phone number and the names of other members residing at the address.

Hannahville Indian Community Phone: 906-723-2601
Enrollment Officer, Jackie Kang Fax: 906-466-2933
N14911 Hannahville B-1 Rd Email: enrollment@hannahville.org
Wilson, MI 49896

Days/hours of operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00pm EST.

Attention Tribal Members

Tribal Percapita for December will be distributed on Tuesday, December 8th. If you have any changes to your account information, the Accounting Department needs notice one week prior (by Tuesday, December 1st). This applies to percapita distribution every month. Please notify the Accounting Department if you have any changes in your account information at least one week prior to the distribution date. If you have any questions, call Kelli Danz, Accounting Director at 723-2631.



Happy Holidays!

Drug Take Back Initiative

What: Prescription/Non-Prescription Medication (Pill Form Only)

Where: Hannahville Tribal Police Department

When: Mondays – Fridays, 8:00 am – 4:00 p.m. or by appointment

Why: To help keep harmful medications out of the hands of innocent children and drug abusers. Individuals that have known medications, increase their chance of becoming a victim of a crime. The purpose of this program is to provide a safe disposal method to you at no costs and no questions, to help you from becoming a victim. If we can work together to dispose of expired/unused medications, we decrease the chance of these medications getting into the hands of a drug abuser or innocent child. Please consider disposing of these medications today!

How: Bring your expired or unused medications to the Hannahville Tribal Police Department and place them into the disposal box located in the lobby.



Community Information

Consignment Opportunity

One of the new spaces added onto the Oasis will be a retail outlet for local tourist type products. This space will also include an area to display handmade crafts.

Items shall be new, cultural, authentic, handmade crafts by tribal members and descendants that will be sold through a consignment agreement. Consignment means a percentage of your sale price will go to the store for a stocking and display fee. Once the item sells you will get paid by check through the community Accounting Department. All items will require a consignment agreement. Please contact Chad Harris, Store Manager at 723-2220 if you're interested.

57th Annual Escanaba Christmas Parade

Friday, December 4th starting at 7:00 p.m. on Ludington Street.

This year's theme is "Christmas' of Yesterday and Today".



A Christmas Story

December 4, 5, 10, 11 & 12th at 8:00 pm

December 6th at 2:00 pm

December 9th at 7:00 pm

at the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center.

The play is based on the movie, it's 1940 in the northern Indiana town of Hohman, and 9-year-old "Ralphie" Parker wants only one thing for Christmas. Come and join Players de Noc as we celebrate this Holiday classic in all its glory. Tickets are \$10. Visit www.playersdenoc.org for more information.

Gingerbread House Workshop

on Saturday, December 12th from 1-2:30 pm.

at the William Bonifas Fine Arts Center.

Price: Members: \$8; Non-members: \$10

Join us for our family holiday workshop and create your own gingerbread house. Adults and children are invited to attend (children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult). Registration required. Contact: corinne@bonifasarts.org for more information.



Friday, December 4th from 1:00 – 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 5th from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

U.P. State Fairgrounds • Highway 2 & 41, Escanaba, MI

FREE yuletide fun for the entire family! Horse drawn rides, roasted chestnuts and goodies galore! Browse the shops in the Antique Village to find the perfect gift and visit with Santa.



Share the holiday spirit with others by bringing non-perishable food items or a new unwrapped toy for donation to local charities.

City of Gladstone Farmers Market Christmas Bazaar

on Saturday, December 12 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the DDA Building, 911 Delta Ave. There will be baked goods, organic foods, jewelery, custom wood items, tie dyes, honey and more!

Escanaba Public Library Children's Story Hour

with Santa on Saturday, December 19 at 1:30 p.m. Families are invited to come hear stories and receive a special gift from Santa. There will also be a used book sale in the City Hall Foyer from 1-3:00 on this day sponsored by the Friends of the Escanaba Public Library. For more information, contact the library at 789-7323 or visit www.escanabalibrary.org



New Year's Eve Fireworks

at the Escanaba Municipal Dock at 9:00 p.m. Contact the Escanaba Recreation Dept. 906-786-4141 for more information.

Diabetes Awareness

Diabetes Awareness Walk

This year, on World Diabetes Day (November 14th), Hannahville held its first ever Diabetes Awareness Walk and it was a huge success. More than 60 people showed up and walked together at the Gathering Grounds to bring awareness to this important cause.

After the walk and door prizes were given out, Jennifer Keshick gave a very inspiring speech. This walk was Jennifer's idea and she worked with Health Center staff to turn her vision into a reality in Hannahville. The speech she gave at the First Annual Diabetes Awareness Walk is included below.



Diabetes Awareness Testimony

By Jennifer Keshick

Diabetes has been a major factor in my life. Not because I have it but because the people I love the most have it. I have lost my best friend, my mentor, my biggest supporter, my encourager and helper – my beautiful loving mother Pie. She was only the young age of 56 years old when I lost her to diabetes health related issues. My amazing husband Lexie Keshick Sr. who I love with all my heart and is my soul mate has had diabetes for over 10 yrs. now. Then my first born daughter Skylynn was diagnosed with diabetes at the age of 14, only a year after I had lost my mother. It crushed me and put me in a state of hopelessness that this is what life has dealt us and there is nothing we can do about it.



So what do we do next? Just the usual stuff of trying not to eat sugar and carbs. How depressing that thought was to me. Exercising! Ugh! Who likes to do that?! We had a family problem, it was a huge family problem! We love food, we loved everything about being unhealthy except the effects of it. I have learned enough to know where to start, eat more protein and less carbs. Hmm, ok so what do we do now? Go to the dietician Erin AGAIN!! She is not going to tell me anything I haven't heard in the past but this is what Skylynn needs to hear. She hated it. She was obviously bored and annoyed. So let's just say this did not start off in a good direction with positive attitudes. I felt like I was in a losing battle. Why should I care if no one else does?! I had a heavy burden on my heart and I cried all the time. I did not want what happened to my mother to happen to my beautiful daughter and my amazing husband. I had frustration beyond belief. Yes, I needed to lose weight but mostly I needed to get healthy.

So one day my husband comes home from his monthly diabetes appointment with Doctor Greenfield. He also has suffered from a bad back for years, ever since I knew him. He seemed down and just not himself and if anyone knows my husband, they know that he is a humorous guy that always has a playful attitude. He said that he had to do something about his diabetes. Wow did I just hear that?! He said, "Doctor Greenfield said something to me at this appointment that scared me. She said that it's not my back that is going to kill me, it's my diabetes that is". My husband was heading down the same path as my mom, his mom, his dad, my grandma, my uncles, and the list goes on and on. And like so many of you out here, you know and have dealt with diabetes and it has taken someone from you that you have loved. We all have watched and seen family members and friends lose limbs that only started off with a small innocent scratch or like my uncle, a rub from a shoe.



Diabetes Awareness

From my mom not taking care of her diabetes and being on meds, her kidneys eventual shut down at the age of 55 and not even a year later she left to be with Jesus. I remember the night so clearly. It was Thanksgiving night, the day to be thankful for all that we have. I am thankful for such an awesome mom, but now we celebrate these Thanksgivings without her. We always went around the table and said what we were thankful for. She looked at all of us and said “you all, my family”, not knowing she was going to be gone in about 5 hours.



I don't tell you this story to make you sad, but to tell you that if you are living with diabetes, it's not too late to change your life, so you do not leave your family feeling the way my husband, children and I felt, heartbroken and crushed. Life has changed without her. But, I also feel that if we can help and encourage even one person, then it would help that whole family to not go through what we had to deal with, the heartache that comes from losing a family member to diabetes health related issues.

We need to come together as a Community and encourage each other to get active and to eat better. If we do not start now then when? Together we are better and stronger. We can help each other up when one falls or feels discouraged. Together we are better! Let's be the change we want to see for our families, our children, our community and the generations after us. If one pebble can make a ripple effect, imagine how much more we can do together!
#BeTheChange #DiabetesStruggleIsReal



THE WELLNESS CENTER

located on the 2nd floor of the Palm Tower of the Island Resort & Casino.

Individuals must meet the following criteria to use the Wellness Center:

- Employed by the Casino or Hannahville Indian Community or Registered Tribal Member
- 18 years of age or older

For more information call the Wellness Center office at 723-2038.



**OPEN
24
HOURS**



Looking for that extra boost?

Join us at the **REACH FOR WELLNESS FITNESS CENTER**, located on the upper level of the Health Clinic.

Choose from a variety of classes, one-on-one with a personal trainer or just use the equipment on your own.

Call us at 723-2565 or stop in anytime!

WELLNESS FITNESS CENTER HOURS:

Monday & Wednesday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Open to Tribal Members and Employees 18 & over.



CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday & Wednesday
Toning at 4:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday
Toning at 8:00 am

Monday – Elder's exercise at 1:00 pm (Elder's building #1)

Tuesday
Toning at 12:00 pm

Wednesday
6 mile workout at 8:00 am (on elliptical and treadmill)

Friday
5K at 8:00 am Run or walk outside (weather permitting)

what moves you?



"For me it's my daughter.
I want to show her a better way.
I want to be here for her."



MoveMoreNow.org

get healthy

**for the people that
depend on you.**

Start with exercise.

Made possible with funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Housing Department

The Hannahville Indian Community Housing Board selects tenants for Tribal housing based on the following Rental Point System:

- Head of Household must be an enrolled tribal member of the Hannahville Indian Community over the age of 18.
- Provide proof of ability to pay rent.
- Rental history – zero balance with the Housing Department.
- Application history – any tie in scoring will be broken by reviewing the original date of application.
- Need (*substandard conditions, overcrowded household, handicap accessibility required*)

Applications are available within the Housing Department office. Updating of applications must be done in writing either in person or by mail. Phone calls will no longer be accepted for updating applications.

Housing hours of operation are Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (est). Call (906) 723-2294 with any questions.

Homes for Rent



1 bedroom, duplex apartment located on Willow Road in the Cedarview Subdivision. Rent is \$150.00 a month plus security deposit. Deadline for applications is Thursday, December 3, at 4:00 p.m. No exceptions.



3 bedroom house located on Ridge Road. Rent is \$200.00 a month plus security deposit. Deadline for applications is Thursday, December 3, at 4:00 p.m. No exceptions.



5 Homes in the Deer Ridge Subdivision – (4) three bedroom houses. Rent is \$200.00 a month plus security deposit. And (1) four bedroom home. Rent is \$225.00 a month plus security deposit. Deadline for applications is Thursday, December 3, at 4:00 p.m. No exceptions.



3 Apartments within the Elders Complex – (2) one bedroom and (1) one bedroom. Rent is \$100.00 a month plus security deposit. Must be 55 years of age or older to qualify. Open until filled.

Employment Opportunities

Position: Conventions Porter

Hours: Part time positions; must be available for all shifts, holidays and mainly weekends.

Wage: \$ 9.25 / hour + tips Closing date for applications: open



Qualifications: High School Diploma or G.E.D. previous experience preferred, but on the job training will be provided. Must be detail oriented and be able to take and follow directions and be flexible with change. Must be able to understand and translate written specifications and diagrams of rooms.

Duties: Set-up and take-down of convention rooms(s) to include; tables, chairs, risers, portable bars and other serving items to meet the function specifications. Set-up and/or break-down of tables, chairs, audio visual equipment, platforms/stages and other equipment as specified by group requirements. Clean and maintain convention rooms, storage and service areas in the convention facilities ensuring standard of cleanliness.

Position: Server

Hours: Part time positions; must be available to work all shifts, holidays & weekends.

Wage: \$5.15 an hour + tips Closing date for applications: open

Qualifications: High School Diploma or G.E.D. server experience preferred, but on the job training will be provided. Must have good interpersonal and communication skills along with being able to multi-task. Must maintain strict customer, co-worker and company confidentiality.

Duties: Provide excellent customer service at all times. Adhere to serving etiquette as shown in 4 star training program. Maintain a clean work area at all times and assist other team members in their sections as needed. Check customers identification to ensure that they meet minimum age requirements for consumption of alcohol. Adhere to company policies & procedures and licensing laws. Process/handle all discount/coupons, club redemptions, comps, department charges, direct billing, credit cards and room charges. All other duties as assigned.

Position: Custodian

Hours: 2 part time positions; must be available to work all shifts, holidays and weekends.

Wage: \$ 9.25 / hour Closing date for applications: open

Qualifications: High School Diploma or G.E.D. previous custodial experience preferred; must be able to perform heavy lifting, and work in small/ enclosed areas. Must be reliable and work well in a team or alone.

Duties: Perform tasks necessary to ensure the safe, clean and orderly condition of the casino and its related areas of operation. Dust, sweep, rake, vacuum, wash, strip, wax, polish, shampoo, buff, bonnet and extract areas, equipment and/or furnishings. Seasonal ice removal, shovel snow and salt areas and surfaces as necessary.

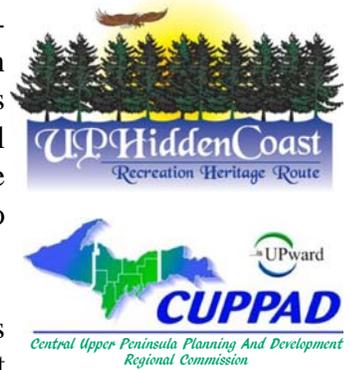
Employment selection will be made in accordance with the Hannahville Indian Community's Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) Title IV Chapter 3.

Other employment opportunities include: Food & Beverage Cashier, Guest Room Attendant, Guest Services Shuttle Driver, Island Club, Line Cook, and Lodging Associate.

For a full list of employment opportunities please visit www.islandresortandcasino.com. Applications can be downloaded and mailed with a completed resume to Attn: Human Resources, Island Resort and Casino, PO Box 351, Harris, MI 49845. Call Human Resources with any questions at 906-723-2041.

U.P. Hidden Coast

The U.P. Hidden Coast Recreation Heritage Route, a designated Pure Michigan Byway, runs 64 miles along the western shoreline of Lake Michigan. The route begins in Menominee and extends through the northern city limits of Gladstone. Local events taking place along the route continue to be actively promoted by expanding our social media reach and featuring events on the U.P. Hidden Coast website. These efforts are targeted towards supporting businesses and attractions closely linked to the route to enhance economic activity in the region while preserving community uniqueness.



A summertime photo contest was successfully hosted on the U.P. Hidden Coast's Facebook page to engage residents and tourists alike to (re)discover the many great stops located within close proximity to the route. With the help of the contest participants, we have been able to highlight the region while encouraging folks to have fun and explore areas of the route that may have been previously overlooked.

The winning photos displayed in this article were chosen with the gracious help of the CUPPAD Art Mini-Grant Review Committee. 1st place went to Jennifer Tackman for "The Gathering Storm", 2nd place – Gary Ennis' "Sunset on Cedar River" and 3rd place – Larry LaPalm's "Joseph L. Block at the Escanaba Oredock. A big thank you goes out to everyone that shared their photos. All of the pictures submitted have captured the beauty and uniqueness of the U.P. Hidden Coast. We will be featuring the winning photos and others submitted for consideration in future promotional materials in addition to highlighting them on the U.P. Hidden Coast website and Facebook page.



1st place "The Gathering Storm"



2nd place "Sunset on Cedar River"



3rd place "Joseph L. Block at the Escanaba Oredock"

If you are interested in opportunities to explore the route, www.uphiddencoast.org is a great tool to utilize. Want to look up events near the Hidden Coast? Simply click the "Calendar of Events" tab on the website and you will see a list of events offered in Delta and Menominee Counties neighboring the route. The U.P. Hidden Coast Committee encourages organizations and businesses to send event details to the page so we can ensure that the site includes all the latest information.

The CUPPAD Regional Commission focuses on planning efforts aimed at enhancing the route, and the promotion of the Hidden Coast including the many opportunities that neighbor the route. Please consider liking the U.P. Hidden Coast's Facebook page or visiting the route's website (www.uphiddencoast.org) to learn more. If you would like to join our mailing list and/or participate in upcoming meeting please send an email to edegan@cuppad.org. New voices are always welcome. A regular newsletter will be sent to those on the mailing list about current projects along the route and when our next meetings will be.

Take advantage of opportunities to build your child's thinking skills



Abstract thinking involves learning concepts and applying them to various situations. A child who has learned to count, for example, can get out the correct number of plates when setting the table for dinner.

Help your child think about common elementary school subjects, such as:

- **Language arts.** Before, during and after reading, encourage your child to answer questions. Try asking questions that start with "Why" and "What if." "Why do you think the character did that?" "What if she had made a different decision?"

- **Math.** Challenge your child to catch mistakes. For example, you might count by twos and say, "2, 4, 6, 7." Can he figure out what's wrong? Also do activities that include building and sorting. "Let's build a tiny model of our car." "Can you help me reorganize this shelf of canned food?"
- **Science.** Read about nature and encourage your child to use what he learns. "The leaves are falling off that tree. What's that type of tree called?" "The flowers we planted last year grew back. Are they *annuals* or *perennials*?" "Look at that fly. Do flies have four wings or two?"

Do you let your child take charge of homework?



In homes everywhere, parents and kids argue about homework. To avoid conflict, some parents simply do the homework for their children!

Are you making sure your child takes responsibility for homework? Answer *yes* or *no* to each question below to find out:

- ___ 1. Have you told your child that homework is his responsibility? You offer support, but don't do the work.
- ___ 2. Does your child have a regular study time every day? Does he do academic work during that time?
- ___ 3. Do you give your child some choice in *how* he does homework, such as choosing which subject to study first?
- ___ 4. Do you look over your child's homework to see that it's finished?
- ___ 5. Do you know to contact the teacher if your child faces regular struggles with homework?

How well are you doing?

More *yes* answers mean your child is taking responsibility for homework. For *no* answers, try those ideas.

Successful students know how to be independent learners



It usually starts with a simple question: "Dad, how do you spell Illinois?" And before you realize it, you spend

the next 20 minutes answering all your child's homework questions.

Homework often involves finding and learning facts. Encourage your child to find information and learn facts on his own.

First, make a rule that your child has to try all the homework questions by himself. He should answer the questions he can, skipping over any that give him problems. Then have him go back and think about the questions he couldn't answer the first time around.

Then, and only then, should your child ask you for help. And when he does, keep your goal in mind: You want him to learn how to get the right answer by himself.

So if your child asks you to spell Illinois, don't rattle off the spelling. Instead, say, "Where could you find that?" Then get out the dictionary or a map and have your child find it. This way, your child not only learns about the silent *s* at the end of the word, he also learns how to use a dictionary and a map. That's the way to help your child learn facts now and be prepared to learn other facts in the future.

Source: D. Johnson and C. Johnson, *Homework Heroes*, Kaplan Publishing.

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Talk to your child about the importance of academic honesty



The research is in on students and cheating, and the news is sobering. In a nationwide survey of 36,000 secondary students, 60 percent admitted to cheating on tests and assignments.

Studies also show that:

- **Above-average students** are just as likely to cheat as their lower-achieving peers.
- **Cheating doesn't carry much** of a stigma anymore. There isn't the shame in it that there once was.
- **The more pressure** kids feel to earn higher grades, the more likely they are to cheat.
- **Cheaters often justify** their actions by claiming that "everyone's doing it." In their minds, they'll be at a disadvantage if they don't cheat.
- **Cheating is easier** than ever, thanks to the Internet. Students can download entire papers or

projects online and pass them off as original work.

- **Kids tend to begin** cheating in elementary school, typically by cheating at games or sports. True academic cheating sets in during middle school.

Talk with your child about cheating. Let him know you expect honesty from him at all times, whether he's at home or in class.

Source: P.S. Strom and R.D. Strom, "Cheating in Middle School and High School," *The Educational Forum*, Kappa Delta Pi, niscw.com/cheat_fact.

"Cheating in school is a form of self-deception. We go to school to learn. We cheat ourselves when we coast on the efforts and scholarship of someone else."

—James E. Faust

Reinforce your child's academic skills with fun & simple activities



Learning doesn't happen *only* in a classroom. You can reinforce your middle schooler's academic

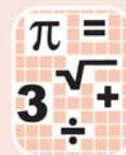
skills right at home. Here's how:

- **Take turns** reading something aloud with your child.
- **Have conversations** about everything—and really listen to what your child has to say.
- **Ask about** what your child is doing in her classes. Find out about her perspective on school.
- **Help your child** engage in critical thinking. Discuss the similarities

and differences between her classes. Ask for her advice when you are facing a problem at work.

- **Give your child** meaningful responsibilities. If you have a pet, ask her to help with its care. Teach your child how to prepare simple meals, do laundry and other chores to help the family.
- **Spend time with your child.** If you have cultural attractions nearby, such as museums, check them out. Go on a walk together and look for things you haven't noticed before.

Share strategies for conquering math homework



Many students move up to pre-algebra or algebra in middle school. Even if your child is not taking

these courses, he will be exposed to some of the concepts—and they can be challenging. If he doesn't fully understand them, homework might be a struggle.

Here are some tips to share with your child:

- **Make the best use of class time.** Pay attention to the teacher. Take notes or follow along with handouts. Always write down at least two examples of each type of problem the teacher is presenting.
- **Go over class notes** each day at home, even if the teacher doesn't give homework. Studies show that students get the most out of notes when the class is fresh in their minds.
- **Look in the textbook.** Look for additional examples of problems. Read explanations of how to solve them. Try the questions at the end of the chapter.
- **Ask for help.** No one should do your child's homework but your child. However, if he knows a friend or family member who is familiar with the concepts, he can ask for a demonstration.
- **Talk to the teacher.** See if extra help is available. Your child may be able to make an appointment to stay after school for help.



Discipline creates structure for your still-developing teenager



Your teen has matured emotionally, intellectually and physically since her elementary school days, but she still has a long way to go. The part of her brain that controls impulses and helps her make good decisions is not yet fully mature. That's one reason why teens need structure and discipline.

Your efforts to teach your teen how to maintain control will pay off in all settings, especially at home and at school. Here are some guidelines:

- **Expect difficult moments.** When your teen acts first and thinks later, blurts out the wrong thing or is moody, it is not necessarily because she wants to hurt you.
- **Be firm, yet flexible,** with your teen. Discuss family rules and make sure she understands the

consequences for breaking them. Consider granting her more freedom as she shows she can handle more responsibility.

- **Always know where your teen is,** who she is with, what she is doing and when she will be home.
- **Remember the difference** between an explanation and an excuse. Your teen's age and developing brain may give an explanation for some of her behavior. However, they are not excuses for being rude or defiant.
- **Focus on the big issues.** These include things such as schoolwork and respect for others. Try not to nag your teen about the smaller issues, like the occasional messy room.

Source: D. Walsh, Ph.D., *Why Do They Act That Way? A Survival Guide to the Adolescent Brain for You and Your Teen*, Free Press.

How successful students manage their homework



Busy students must learn to set priorities in order to meet all of their responsibilities. Here are some of the skills successful students know—and that your teen can learn:

- **Use a planner.** Teens have a lot on their minds. And when something gets forgotten, it's more likely to be an English reading assignment than the lyrics to a favorite song. So make sure your teen has—and uses—a planner. He should write down every assignment. Check regularly to see that he does.
- **Use electronics only as a backup.** Many teachers post assignments and deadlines online. Those are great in a pinch, but a planner will help your teen see the big picture. "Yikes, I have a math test *and* an English paper, both due on Tuesday."
- **Put after-school commitments** in the planner. That way, your teen can see what nights he's busiest. If a big project is due on Friday and he works on Thursday night, he'll see he must finish the project by Wednesday night.
- **Expect the unexpected** when working on projects. The book your teen needs for his term paper may not be in the library if he waits until the night before the paper is due to check it out. Planning ahead is a great habit to help your teen develop!

Source: D. Goldberg, *The Organized Student: Teaching Children the Skills for Success in School and Beyond*, Simon & Schuster.

Your teen can use mnemonic devices to remember facts



A *mnemonic* device is any trick that helps your teen recall facts. If he's ever recited, "Thirty days hath September ..." to remember the number of days in a month, he was using a mnemonic device.

Here are a few popular ways to use mnemonics. To remember information, your teen can try:

- **Acronyms.** The five Great Lakes are often remembered with the letters in the word HOMES: *Huron, Ontario, Michigan, Erie, Superior*.
- **Acrostics.** The first letter in each word stands for one of the items on the memory list. "Please

Excuse My Dear Aunt Sally" is a way to remember the order of operations in math: *parentheses, exponents, multiplication, division, addition, subtraction*.

- **Rhymes.** When was Columbus's first voyage? "Columbus sailed the ocean blue in fourteen hundred ninety-two."
- **Music.** It worked to teach your child the ABCs, so have him set key facts to a popular song and he'll never get it out of his head.
- **Chunking.** He can combine longer lists of words or numbers into smaller groups.

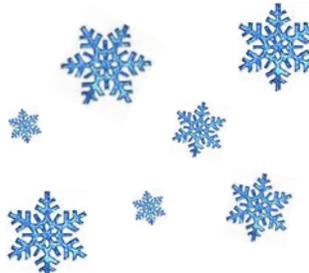
Source: M.K. Ruben, *How to Tutor Your Own Child: Boost Grades and Inspire a Lifelong Love of Learning—Without Paying for a Professional Tutor*, Ten Speed Press.

Activities

POTAWATOMI LANGUAGE WORD SEARCH



Although words shown below have spaces in between them, they appear as one word within the word search.



WNAGO
yesterday

DBE KOK
last night

WABUK
tomorrow

NGODUK
at one time



BBO N GISES
winter moon

ZHO SHKWA MGET
it is slippery

BBO MGET
it is winter

NGE DEM GET
it is melting

BIGETTHE
he/she is cold

GE ZHE ZO
he/she is warm

NGOM
today

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CAN YOU FIND 5 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THESE PHOTOS?

ORIGINAL

CHANGED

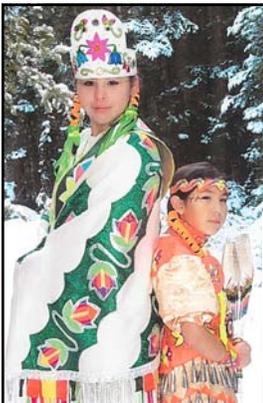


ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd, MEMBERS OF TRIBAL COUNCIL HANDED OUT TURKEYS & HAMS TO EMPLOYEES OF THE HANNAHVILLE INDIAN COMMUNITY.

ANSWERS: NUMBER ON TRACTOR, STICKER ON BOX, HOLES ON BOX, SYSTEM ON ROOF OF BUILDING, GUY'S HEAD MISSING.

December Birthdays

Pauline Louis 12/1	Veronica Williams 12/11	Mary Starnes 12/20
Matthew Gunnink 12/1	Katrina Keezer 12/11	Jeffrey Hapner 12/20
Kalven Sagataw 12/4	Michael Wandahsega Jr. 12/11	Mary Meshigaud 12/21
Luke DeVerney 12/5	Olivia Manitowabi-McCullough 12/11	Nancy Grant 12/21
Alex R. Sagataw 12/6	Danielle Grove 12/11	Amanda Smith 12/21
William Sjöholm Jr. 12/6	Braylene Williams 12/11	Eli Smith 12/22
Jack Philemon 12/6	Ava Tovar-Keezer 12/11	Jackson Keshick 12/22
Robert St Germain 12/7	Glenn Teeple 12/12	Cecile Toney 12/24
Shawn Paul 12/7	Joel Smith 12/12	Janet Coakley 12/24
Peter Keshick 12/7	Janelle VaderPlaats 12/12	Noreena Meshigaud-Dwyer . . 12/24
Peggy De Leon 12/8	Joshua Kastar 12/14	Russell Little 12/26
Leon Philemon 12/8	Zoey McCullough 12/14	Cedric Halfaday 12/26
Rodney Frye Sr. 12/8	Charles H. Meshigaud 12/15	Carter La Fave 12/26
Rhoda Larson 12/9	Constance Sagataw 12/16	Kandi Emery 12/28
Timothy Smith 12/9	Natalie Manitowabi 12/16	Lennon Sagataw 12/28
Mason Thunder 12/9	Jesse Smith 12/16	Michelle Troxell 12/29
Demitrius Wandahsega 12/9	Charlene Peters 12/17	Dashawn Metzger 12/29
Ernest Hardwick 12/10	Keith Gill 12/17	Mariah Withey 12/30
Camilo Rodriguez 12/10	Kendra Ritchie 12/17	Mary Johnson 12/31
	Ethan Smith 12/19	Joseph Seymour 12/31
	Alita Ritchie 12/19	Brandon Browneagle 12/31
	Jaidyn Lattergrass 12/19	Xander Spry 12/31



Happy 21st birthday (Nov. 29th) PAE•NO•NI•CHI•EHNOH•SE•SKAEPE•NON (Shanyce Shawano) my beautiful, wonderful, shooting star and bestest lil granddaughter in da whole world. 21 years ago you came to me, blessed my afternoon with so much love. I never was so happy, you could say this Koko was blessed with the most beautiful gift of all – you! The next 21 will be even better cuz we'll have each other. Not a day goes by that I don't tell the big guy "poso, megwetch" for bringing you to me! All my love, from the bestest Koko this side of the Mississippi. Koko Shawano



Happy birthday to my sisters Vanessa & Deziree.
Love, Ron

Happy birthday to our beautiful daughters Vanessa (Nov. 24th) and Deziree (Nov. 22nd).
Love Mom & Dad

Happy birthday Dane! Love Always,
Koko



Happy 8th Birthday ShyShy!! You're growing up too fast! We love you and hope your day is as special as you. <3 Mom, Dad & Daniel & Christian

(Dec. 9) Happy 12th Birthday Demitrius Wandahsega, Love, Mom & Dad and Family

Grandma Lois is having an INDIAN TACO SALE on Tuesday, December 8th starting at 10:30 a.m. in the Elder's complex #1 apartment #4. \$6 a taco. Call ahead at 723-3004 or drop in to pick one up!

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SANTA'S GIFT MALL for Hannahville Indian School Students will be on Thursday, December 17th from 9 am - 2 pm and Friday, December 18th from 9 am - 1 pm in the library. Envelopes will be sent home with students the week before. Sponsored by the PTSA.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR EMPLOYEES OF HANNAHVILLE INDIAN COMMUNITY

Please take note. During the following days Hannahville Indian Community offices will be closed:

- Half day, Wednesday, December 23 – Christmas
- All day, Thursday, December 24 – Christmas
- All day, Friday, December 25 – Christmas
- Half day, Wednesday, December 30 – New Years
- All day, Thursday, December 31 – New Years
- All day, Friday, January 1 – New Years



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