

A safe place for Native American students to live, learn, and grow in Christ since 1946.



“All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.

We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

2 Corinthians 5: 18, 20

Continuing the Legacy

By Chevon Petgrave

Our students are back! After five long months away from campus due to state government COVID-19 stipulations, we are happy to share that our students returned to campus on Monday, August 17th.

For nearly 75 years, Holbrook Indian School has been a safe place for Native American children and youth to live, learn, and grow. As we begin the 2020-2021 school year, we look forward to continuing that legacy.

In doing our part to curb the spread of the virus, our students were unable to return to the HIS campus to finish out the 2019-2020 school year.

We have a detailed plan in place to keep our students and staff as safe as possible. We currently have 65 students enrolled for this academic year. It is vital to use the time we have to serve and minister to our students, especially since many of their most basic needs are not being met at home.

Our Summer Experience program was also canceled. Many of our students live in the Navajo Nation which had the highest transmission levels in the country. This is greatly due to a lack of clean water, access to healthy foods, and adequate medical care, along with overcrowded homes.

Please continue to pray for our students and staff.

See page 8 for re-opening plans summary.



Ms. Lodge with a group of HIS students discussing community.





Jolisa 1st Torie 3rd Jaden 4th Jireh (JJ) 4th



Leilany 4th Schnieder 4th Josiah 4th Jeremiah 5th



Eden 5th Keturah 4th Bill (Dan Dan) 6th Mathius 7th



Norlisha 7th Randell 7th Sharona 7th Tristan 7th



Junior High & High School



Peyton 7th Kirra 7th Morales 8th Sean 8th



Isaac 8th Jaun 8th Andrew 8th Memphis 8th



BJ 8th Ryan 8th Nicodemus 9th Crystal 9th



Jenessis 9th Kaybah 9th Soraya 9th Chanlynn 9th





Drake

9th



Christian

9th



Amaré

9th



Tara

9th



Shanya

10th



Josiah

10th



Quentina

10th



Halo

10th



Andrelina

10th



Ariana

10th



Thalia

11th



Chasity

11th



Delraya

11th



Kayla

11th



Keirra

11th



Kerralyn

11th





Nelcina 11th



Jasmine 11th



Laqueta 12th



Joshua 12th



Aliandra 12th



Caleb 12th



Trendon 12th



Charles 12th



Israel 12th

OUT TAKES



You Make a Difference

Tribute gifts listed were given in August.

Tribute gifts made in September will be recognized in next month's newsletter.

In Memory of:

Abbott, Betty & Walter

by Mick Burrington

Alexander, Don, son of

Beth & Jim Alexander

by Odie Weir

Ashley, Claude O.,

father

by Roy Ashley

Baker, Bruce M.D.,

my husband

by Betty Biggs

Beardsley, Lynae,

daughter (died in 2005)

by Gladys White

Bechthold, Albert & Sarah,

my parents

by Jerralee Bailey

Benson, Theodore

by wife Beverly Benson

by son Ted Jr. and daughter-in-

law, Melissa

by Linda Ramsey

by William R. Chunestudy

Bolden, Bob & Ruth

by Chuck and Linda Bennett

Borba, Demas and Verna,

my parents (ardent support-

ers of HIS)

by Lisa Pederson

Brown, Ida, passed away

July 4th, 2020

by Ida C. Brown

Buchhammer, Clara T.,

my mom

by Lillian Buchhammer

Carlton, Bette Hackett

by Gail Ludwig

Davidson, Lawrence,

my beloved husband

by Bernice Davidson

Flemmer, Elmer RN

by Steve Barnes

Gallus, Anna Marie

by Warren T. Sawyer

Grant, Barry

by Brenton F. Sedgwick

Grosse, Gerald

by Louise Grosse

Harris, Nelson

by Sophie P. Harris

Hendrickson, Ted

by June Mathiesen

Herring, Paul & Twylah,

parents

by Gloria E. Reyna

Hicks, Lynda

by Donald and Kathryn Van

Vranken

Hix, Alma I.,

who loved & supported

Native Americans

by Anthony Ingersoll

Hulse, E. Leon, husband

by Gladys Hulse

Johnson, Victor,

my husband

by Eva S. Johnson

Judy, Ellsworth & Alicy,

Laura's parents

by Lawrence and Laura

Koozmin

Keith, my husband

by Aloha Wheeler

Ken, my beloved husband

by Betty MaBelle Lacey

Koeppen, Edward & Grace

by Rebecca Koeppen

Kopitzke, Fern & Walter,

my parents

by Dean B. Olson

Lewis, my beloved husband

by his wife, Marilyn G.

Overbaugh

Ludwig, Harold

by Gail Ludwig

Lushanko, Penny, died

05/13/2020

by Joanne Carlson

My husband

by Abel Lucio

Nelson, Natalie Joy

by Grayce A. Ladd

Oberg, Stanton & Mildred,

my parents

by Nanci Oberg

Palmer Jr., Dale

by Archie and Pam Walter

Pam, daughter

by Aloha Wheeler

Ponder, Cliff

by Hugh Clark

Rebman, Don

by Martha Rebman

Redmer, Velma

by Archie and Pam Walter

Roberts, Jean

by Sharon J. Martin

Rosalyn Willis

by Calvin C. Willis

Schell, Lois

by Richard Schell

Sheppard, Katherine

by Sally M. Morris

Smith, Gerild "Smitty"

beloved husband

by Olline Smith

Spauling, Earl

by R. Douglas Donesky

Wallace, Deborah,

beloved daughter/sister

by Lisa Pederson

White, William,

late husband (died in 2012)

by Gladys White

Wilson, Gerald,

class of 1992

by Rob and Debbie Purvis

In Honor of:

All the HIS staff and stu-

dents, Teachers & Principal.

Thank you!

by Esther Rivera

Birthdays: Morghin Small,

Michael Small,

Terri Kunau, Richard

Kunau

by Sam Small

Covid-19 strugglers

by Harold C. Brewer

Cuny, Debra Claymore

by Duane Ross

Family & Friends

by Mayo & Suzanne

Cummings

Fox, Linda Sue

by Lloyd P. Fox

HIS children

by Mary K. Milam

HIS faculty

by Hubert Crank

HIS staff

by Robert M. Johnston

July 7th, our 63rd

Wedding Anniversary

by Charles Myers

Kendricks, Ken

friend

by Anthony Bonilla

Lodge, Sharon

by Warren W. Stewart

My Father who was 1/2

Cherokee Indian

by LaVonne Bauder

My three grandchildren

by Maria Soto

Schimke, Michael,

our son's birthday,

July 16th

by Dallas and Dorothy Schimke

Staff & students of HIS

by Della Ault

The students

by Sandra D. Bent

The wonderful HIS

students

by O. Ronald Follett

No Pomp Due to Unforeseen Circumstances

Due to COVID-19, our seniors' plans for the end of their time at Holbrook Indian School didn't go as expected. It is hard to imagine the disappointment they faced as their long-anticipated graduation ceremony was canceled.

Many of our students struggled to complete their course of study from their homes on the Reservation do to a lack of internet access.

We applaud our Senior Class of 2020 who graduated during this difficult time and encourage those who are continuing classes and will receive their diplomas this fall. Congratulations to Casey, Micah, Niasha, and Shawnewa!

Pictured: Shawnewa and Niasha receive their diplomas during a private COVID-19 compliant ceremony.



Our most urgent need is our Worthy Student Fund. Most of our students are unable to afford the \$85 monthly cost for their portion of tuition. Without the help HIS is given from individuals throughout the US, our students would not receive a Christian education or the additional programs and services HIS provides which include:

- Three nutritious meals a day.
- Individual and group counseling and mentoring.
- A variety of extracurricular activities like mountain biking and hiking.
- Vocational classes such as welding, auto mechanics, woodworking, horsemanship, and agriculture.
- Arts and music programs.

We praise God for the many ways He provides for our students through the kindness of others.



Re-opening Plans Summary

Below is a summary of our re-opening plans to keep our students and staff as safe as possible:

- Students and staff will wear masks supplied by school
- Frequently check for symptoms including using infrared thermometers to check for fevers.
- Keep a 6-foot distance wherever possible.
- Hand sanitizer stations in strategic locations across campus
- Instruct students on hygiene protocols such as how to properly wash hands and how to manage masks.
- Barriers placed where necessary.
- Face shields provided for all students and staff during meals.
- There will be a limit of 30 people in the cafeteria.
- Students will also eat in classrooms, gymnasium, and outside.

A more detailed list with visitor guidelines is available on our website.

New Outdoor School Video

Be among the first to see our new video featuring our Outdoor School program. Outdoor School is one week of classes where we take our students to one of five locations: Grand Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, the Rocky Mountain National Park, and one city trip to San Diego that includes a day of tide pooling at La Jolla Beach. For many of the students, the trip to San Diego is the first time they'll get to see the ocean and learn to navigate a big city. The classes are taught by teachers and park rangers and include photography, bird watching, ecology, oceanography, painting, fire science, and so much more. Outdoor School is vital in allowing our students to learn new things, and bond with staff members and each other.

You can get a visual glimpse into what makes this program so unique, by visiting our website at:

holbrookindianschool.org/outdoor.

There you will find the video, with visuals from past trips.



Holbrook Indian School (HIS) is a first- through 12th-grade boarding academy operated by the Pacific Union Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

HIS also manages a first- through eighth-grade day school on the Navajo Reservation in Chinle, Arizona. Eighty percent of funding comes from individuals who have a desire to support Native American ministries and Christian education.

Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of our students, their families, and the communities they serve.

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