

TITLE VI INDIAN EDUCATION

HONOR DAY



June 17, 2020

Congratulations Class of 2020!

Dearest Indian Education Graduates,

You are part of a historic cohort. You have made it through a challenging year, and you have persisted and excelled. Your generation is making huge changes in our world, from Climate Justice to Black Lives Matter, we have seen you take to the streets this year and we have been moved and inspired.

When I think about the future, and when I say that I mean all the possible futures, I think about a phrase, building the beloved community. You are doing that, you are showing up and supporting those in our society who have been ignored and undervalued, you are seeing that Native lives and sovereignty are tied to the liberation of us all and I am in awe.

I believe strongly in education, in all forms, and in following our dreams to whatever futures we can imagine. It's been an honor to know you and your families, it is an honor to celebrate you today as you are the embodiment of all our ancestors dreams. You are never alone and you are so important to us all. We care so much about you. You are building the beloved community.

Congratulations class of 2020. You are truly special.



**Keynote Speaker:
Rachel L. Cushman**

Rachel L. Cushman is an enrolled member and Councilwoman of Chinook Indian Nation (CIN). The focus of her tenure is restorative justice, infrastructure stabilization and growth for her community. Rachel travels regionally, nationally and internationally advocating for her Tribe, Indigenous issues and environmental protection efforts. She has been a guest speaker at universities, human rights organizations, political events and more. Rachel and CIN are in a decades-long battle for federal acknowledgment and currently have an active lawsuit open against the Department of the Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA).

Rachel is deeply honored to address the PPS Indian Education graduating class of 2020. She grew up in South East Portland and was an active participant in Indian Ed's programs throughout her academic career. Rachel attributes much of her success to her mentors, teachers, advocates and peers within the PPS Indian Education Project.



PROGRAM

Blessing Stephanie Tabibian (Shoshone Paiute, Duck Valley Reservation)

Introduction Angie Morrill, Indian Education Director

Welcoming RemarksGuadalupe Guerrero, Superintendent

Keynote Rachel Cushman, Chinook Tribal Council

Presentation of Graduating Seniors

Honor Song Stephanie Tabibian (Shoshone Paiute, Duck Valley Reservation)

Congratulations to the Class of 2020!

2020 Indian Education Graduates

**Spencer Barton**

Bad River Band of Lake Superior
Grant

Tatum Chiago

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Roosevelt

Hunter Jorgenson

Blackfeet
Benson

Chiarra Bettega

Klamath Modoc
Roosevelt

Hunter Cox

Siletz
Roosevelt

Contessa Kliever-Kerr

Tolowa
Cleveland

Johnmorgan Bozich

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians
Lincoln

Asha Davies-Arbuckle

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Wilson

Hunter Knight

Maidu
Benson

Devon Byrd

Upper Skagit Indian Tribe
Roosevelt

Angel Eckley-Gutierrez

Alaska Native
NAYA Early College Academy

Edi Larsen

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Cleveland

Amee Cameron

Cherokee
Cleveland

Michele Estes

Lakota
NAYA Early College Academy

Simon LeDoux

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Franklin

Nathaniel Chanocua

Clatsop-Nehalem
Confederated Tribes
Madison

Calista Foster

Nisqually & Blackfeet
Madison

Brylynn Luey

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Roosevelt

Roberto Charboneau

Lakota-Sioux & Anishinaabe
Roosevelt

Jackson Hamelund

Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
Grant

Lillian Lum

Alaska Native
Wilson

Sky Walker Charley-Bolyard

Dunlap Band of Mono Indians
La Salle College Preparatory

Lily Helms

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw
Madison

Stevie McDermid

Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin
Alliance H.S. @ Benson

2020 Indian Education Graduates

**Quinton Pauley**

Oglala Sioux Tribe
Helensview

Faire Platt

Colville
De La Salle

Alysha Rainier

Sioux
Madison

Isaac Robinson

Klamath
Alliance H.S. @ Benson

Savana Semallie

Diné, Navajo & American
Samoan
Madison

Letha Soto-Hauth

Coeur d'Alene
Benson

Evangelina Tapio

Oglala Lakota Sioux
Roosevelt

Ellery Temple

Delaware
Cleveland

Cody Turtola

Member of the Madison
Indigenous Alliance

Christopher Two Two

Oglala Lakota Sioux
Rosemary Anderson - Lents

Malia Walker

Quinault Indian Nation
Cleveland

Stephanie White

Sealaska
Roosevelt

Jackson Wolfe

Mewuk
Grant

Trinity Yamasaki

Karuk
Metropolitan Learning Center

Monique Zamora Lyons

Nenana Tribe
Franklin

In Memory of Corbin Lunceford

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla
Franklin High School



Sincere Appreciation To:

The representatives of Native & non-Native organizations & families supporting Title VI Indian Education

Honor Day Participants

Rachel Cushman
Chloe Eudaly
Guadalupe Guerrero
Stephanie Tabibian

Native Administrators & Staff

including Carrie Brown,
Lorna Fast Buffalo Horse
Malaina Guzman,
Marquita Guzman,
Glenn Lamotte,
Miranda Ryan,
Melissa Schachner,
Korinna Wolfe

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Karen Kitchen
John 'Buzz' & Joyce Nelson
Leslie O'Dell
Norrine Smokey-Smith

PPS Multiple Pathways to Graduation

PPS Funded Programs

PPS School Board Members

Native Montessori Pre-K Staff

Indian Education Parent Committee

All Indian Ed Students & Families

Thank you from the Title VI Indian Education Staff:

Angie Morrill, Program Director
Valerie Nelson, Community Agent
Sunshine Guzman, Student Support
Kate Damon, Secretary

We would like to acknowledge that we are on the Oregon tribal lands of :

The Nine Federally Recognized Tribes of Oregon: Burns Paiute of Harney County, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Coquille Indian Tribe, Klamath Tribes



and



The 60+ tribes terminated by the Western Oregon Indian Termination Act or Public Law 588, enacted in 1954: "Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, Alesia, Applegate Creek, Calapooya, Chaftan, Chempho, Chetco, Chetlessington, Chinook, Clackamas, Clatskanie, Clatsop, Clowwewalla, Coos, Cow Creek, Eucchees, Galic Creek, Grave, Joshua, Karok, Kathlamet, Kusotony, Kwatami or Sixes, Lakmiut, Long Tom Creek, Lower Coquille, Lower Umpqua, Maddy, Mackanotin, Mary's River, Multnomah, Munsel Creek, Naltunnetunne, Nehalem, Nestucca, Northern Molalla, Port Orford, Pudding River, Rogue River, Salmon River, Santiam, Scoton, Shasta, Shasta Costa, Siletz, Siuslaw, Skiloot, Southern Molalla, Takelma, Tillamook, Tolowa, Tualatin, Tututui, Upper Coquille, Upper Umpqua, Willamette Tumwater, Yamhill, Yaquina, and Yoncalla."