

## **Dear Seventh Grade Students and Parents,**

Next year, join the Indian Education Bridge Program for Native 8th grade students! We will meet six times throughout the academic year, at Jefferson High School, where our offices are located, and other sites to offer academic, social and cultural opportunities for the students.

## We believe this program will:

- Give students an opportunity to meet Native students from around the city and make new friends, some they may see at their high school next year
- Provide academic and cultural support
- Help students gain confidence before their transition to high school
- Provide mentorship from various Native leaders
- Expand their knowledge of Native Portland
- Provide opportunities to take field trips around Portland and Oregon
- Be a lot of fun!

**Possible activities** include Native games, outdoor stewardship and first food gathering, learning heritage languages, writing zines and poetry, theatre games, making crafts and more. We want the students feedback on what they want, so we will be giving them choices at our first meeting.



## TO SIGN UP: mail or email the attached form to indianeducation@pps.net