Chippewa Valley Indian Education Grant Consortium

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THE INDIAN EDUCATION NEWSLETTER
2019-2020

Important Upcoming Events

January 29, 2020: Parent Meeting
4:30pm
Chippewa Valley Administration Boardroom

Come to the second parent meeting of the year to hear about upcoming workshops, review the Indian Education Grant Program and brainstorm ideas for the future!

March 14, 2020: Field Trip
Save the Date!

Our second cultural workshop of the year is March! It will be a field trip to Learn about making maple syrup.

10 Study Tips for Students

As the end of the semester quickly approaches, here are some tips to help your students prepare for end of the semester tests or projects:
1. Make a quiet place to study.
2. Turn off all electronics during study time.
3. Complete study guides and turn them in on due date.
4. Make flash cards of important vocabulary, events, or names.
5. Review lecture notes and previous quizzes or tests.
6. Take breaks from long study sessions to refocus and to avoid frustration.
7. Ask teachers for additional study material.
8. Get involved in a study group with other students in the class.
9. Make sure you have all the materials you will need to take the test (calculator, pencil, eraser, etc.)
10. Make sure you get plenty of rest the night before the big test.

The dream catcher artwork was made by Kyle Crego, a senior at CVHS. If you have a student artist and would like to see his/her artwork in an upcoming newsletter please submit their picture to asytsma@cvs.k12.mi.us.
Indian Education Workshops

Our first workshop was Saturday, Nov 9th, 2019 and we made ankle bracelets and learned about Native American Dance.

We encourage your participation in these Saturday events. The workshops are open to all families enrolled in our program and they are free of charge. Our next Workshop is in

We hold two sessions 9:00-11:30 am and 12:30-3:00 pm at Cheyenne Elementary. Email Nicole at nfaehner@cvs.k12.mi.us to register. Please let her know the name of the children that will come, and if you are coming in the morning or afternoon session.

CULTURAL WORKSHOPS

We will hold three workshops this school year at Cheyenne Elementary and always on Saturdays.

November 9, 2019: Dance
March 14, 2020: Maple Syrup Field Trip
May 9: Moccasins

Whenever possible Indian Fry Bread will be served at our workshops

Location of Workshops:
Cheyenne Elementary School
47600 Heydenreich
Macomb, MI 48044

Native American Poetry: Zas (“Snow” in Navajo) by Mikayla J. Royce

The snow begins to fall once more
Drifting against the windows,
Politely begging entrance,
Then falling with disappointment, to the ground.
Endlessly,
A heavy blanket on the outdoors.
Floating down on the silent earth and covered
All around and silenced all trace of the world.
I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields?
That is kisses them so gently and then covers them up, you know?

Something awaits beneath it
The whole story doesn’t show
A cold wind blow from the North,
As it makes the trees rustle like living things.
When snow falls, Nature listens.
Snow is Mother Earth’s attempt
To make her dirty world look clean.
Snowflakes are nature’s most fragile things.
But look what they can accomplish when they stick together

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If you have a student writer who would like to write a poem to be showcased in an upcoming newsletter. Please submit it to asytsma@cvs.k12.mi.us