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## EDUCATION CONNECT

A quarterly publication providing the latest information and updates always working together to build a better education division for the future of all our children.

## Education Division



Hello Tulalip Community! My name is Rochelle Lubbers and I am the Executive Director of Education for the Tulalip Tribes.

We have been working hard to come together as a division and create alignment across our departments to best support our students; our future! In this process, we have changed the

name of a few of our departments. Tulalip education is comprised of six departments that all contribute to the academic achievement of our tribal students as well as youth and family enrichment. The six departments are; Higher Education, Positive Youth Development and Leadership, Tutorial and Homework support, Youth and Family Enrichment, Curriculum and Engagement and Family Resources.

Our goal is to be in service to our families and provide information, access to services, wrap around support for struggling students, leadership development, and cultural activities and so much more.

We are about to embark upon a strategic visioning process to help us define 3-5 top priorities for Tulalip education to focus on so that we know what success looks like and what direction we are heading in.

We hope everyone has a great summer and we look forward to checking in with you in the Fall to share the results of our strategic planning effort!

Rochelle Lubbers

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## Curriculum & Engagement Department

Hello Tulalip, I'm Marjorie James. I work in Tulalip Education as the Manager of Curriculum and Engagement. On Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Tulalip Tribal Sovereignty Curriculum Collaborative had its final writing day of the school year. Granite Falls School District, Lake-wood School District, Marysville School District, Everett Public Schools, Edmonds School District, Northshore School District, and the Meridian School in Wallingford all joined us at the MSD Transit Center. While June can be full of good-byes for educators, we continued to draft our lessons and units while beginning to plan for the 2019-20 school year already.



This summer, our Collaborative leadership team will discuss professional development opportunities, make plans to pilot our new lessons, welcome Mukilteo School District to our work, and as always, consider all the ways we can best serve our communities, students, families, and partnerships.

I am excited to share a little about what I get to do on behalf of our tribe for the benefit of our citizens and neighbors throughout our traditional territories.

Marjorie James

***"Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment."* Jim Rohn**



## TUTORIAL/HOMEWORK SUPPORT PROGRAM

The Tutorial/Homework Support Programs mission is "To encourage, support and empower students to become educated life-long learners enabling them to reach their full potential".

***With the Power of Education, the Sky is the Limit!***

We provide a safe and nurturing educational environment for our students and provide snacks to tide them over until dinner. Assist Students with their homework and improve their academic success. Our program is **FREE** to all children/families.



The Tutorial/Homework Support Staff consists of:

- Valda Gobin - Tutorial Administrator
- Dawn Simpson - Tutorial Manager
- Eli Blauser - Teacher III
- Margarita Huston - Teacher III
- Norma Comenote - Student Support Specialist
- Shana Simpson - Student Support Specialist

**Summer School program** (July 8 – August 15) provides students in K-12 with tools to maintain their skills and be ready for the next level in the fall. We are planning our five week Summer School Program with field trips and a week-long **STEM Robotics camp**.

**Applications for Summer School** will be available the last week of May and through-out the school year. Students can also sign up for just the **Robotics Camp**, which will be August 5 - 8 this year. If interested, call **Dawn Simpson @ 360-716-4646 or 360-716-4901**.



Through the **Community Closet - Donation Rooms**, we continue to help our tribal and community members by providing new clothing ... **FREE** of charge. "Delivering Goods of New York" has been donating the clothing to us for years.

If you are interested, call: **Valda Gobin @ 425-870-4214**.

Valda Gobin & Dawn Simpson

## Positive Youth Development & Leadership Program

The Positive Youth Development & Leadership Program has had a great school-year with the Advocates working in the schools and the Youth Council in action around the community. Over the summer, we will be working together to continue to build and grow our program focusing on strategies promoting positive youth development in the upcoming school-year.



During the summer we will be working on:

- Youth Employment Program
- Back to school event
- Supporting students with special needs
- Summer School outreach
- Cultural
- Other various youth enrichment programming



We look forward to seeing all of our students over the summer! We hope that students and parents will remember to make some time for reading to keep growing your brains! 😊

Please contact Jessica Bustad, Positive Youth Development & Leadership Manager if you have any questions.

**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK @ Tulalip Youth Services**

Jessica Bustad

"The more you **read**  
the more **things** you know.  
The more that you **learn**  
the more **places** you'll go."  
-Dr. Seuss





## Youth & Family Enrichment Department

The Youth & Family Enrichment Department is looking forward to wrapping up the 2018-19 school year. We are preparing to start our summer programing and we are excited to have the youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade here to participate in our activities daily. Our summer programing will include numerous cultural, athletic and educational activities and programs. We will have some special days where families can also come and join in the fun.

Here are some of the highlights that just wrapped up.



We hosted our monthly Coastal Jam and partnered with the MMIW walk with the Children's Advocacy Center and Legacy of Healing. There were over 200 participants dancing and jamming until around 11pm. If you want to come jam

you can join us monthly, look on our website for dates and locations. [www.tulalipyouthservices.com](http://www.tulalipyouthservices.com)

Our department also hosted two youth basketball tournaments that had a great turn out and made for fun active weekends for the youth and families.

Our Native Dance class instructed by Verna Street just finished up last week, there were many youth participants that had a lot of fun learning the different backgrounds and styles of dancing in powwows. We hope to have another workshop before the end of the year, if you would like to sign up and learn how to dance.



We also have **Honor Your Culture Night** weekly and for the month of June everyone is working on ribbon skirts, which look amazing. So big thank you to Winona Shopbell. We are looking forward to a great summer!

Lastly sign-ups are open and you can get your youth registered for the Tulalip Hawks Youth Football at [www.tulalipjuniorhawks.com](http://www.tulalipjuniorhawks.com).

Josh Fryberg

## Higher Education

The Tulalip Higher Education department assists Tulalip Tribal members with funding as they begin their educational/vocational journey toward success.

The Higher Education Staff consists of Felicia Stripling who is our Higher Education Coordinator. Felicia has worked with Higher Education since 2009.



Our department now consists of four (4) Higher ED specialists. Jeanne Steffener has worked in this department since 2012 and Sylvanna Brinson joined the team in 2014. Tillie Jones previously worked for the Burk Museum and joined our team in November 2018. Edith Johnny previously worked in Tulalip Finance Compliance. Edith joined our team in December 2018. It has been fun getting to know each other and learn to work as a harmonious team.

Higher ED funds these following programs:

- College in High School
- Associate Degree
- Running Start
- Bachelor Degree
- High School Completion
- Master Degree
- GED
- PHD/Doctoral Degree
- Vocational/Technical Certificates

In addition, Higher ED has 2-3 monthly informational programs from local colleges, universities, trades and other career opportunities which are available to all Tulalip community members. <https://www.tulaliptribes-nsn.gov/Dept/HigherEducation>

Higher ED can be reached at 360-716-4888 or by email at [highered@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov](mailto:highered@tulaliptribes-nsn.gov).

Felicia Stripling

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# 2019 Youth & Family Enrichment SUMMER PROGRAMS

JUNE JULY  
& AUGUST

AT TULALIP YOUTH SERVICES

Open daily 8am-8pm  
Breakfast, lunch & snack will  
be provided daily

Registration is now open  
online or there are forms in  
the lobby of the Youth  
Center.



JUNE 24TH-28TH: ART WEEK  
JULY 1ST-3RD: INCLUSION WEEK  
JULY 8TH-12TH: CULTURAL WEEK  
JULY 15TH-19TH: FUN IN THE SUN WEEK  
JULY 22ND-26TH: MOVIE WEEK  
JULY 29TH-AUG 2ND: GET MOVIN WEEK  
AUGUST 5TH-9TH: NATURE WEEK  
AUGUST 12TH-16TH: CULTURE WEEK &  
SUMMER SWOOSH BASKETBALL TOURNAY  
AUGUST 19TH-23RD: YOUTH HUNTING &  
GATHERING WEEK  
AUGUST 26TH-30TH: FACILITY CLOSURE

GRADES: 6TH-12TH



For information please contact 360.716.4909  
Look for other summer fun & information from us on our website!

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