



Native Youth Program Application

PLEASE PROVIDE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION IN ORDER TO HAVE YOUR APPLICATION PROCESSED

A. APPLICANT'S NAME AND ADDRESS

Full name: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Address/city/state/zip: _____

Phone 1: _____ Phone 2: _____ Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Tribal affiliation if any: _____

B. REFERENCES

Please list three non-family **PERSONAL** references who are qualified to speak about your character, your interest in learning and speaking Salish language, and/or your interest in learning Salish cultural arts.

	Name	Phone	Email	City	State
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

C. PARENT INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian 1

Name: _____ Lives w/ child? yes no

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Work Phone: _____

Tribal affiliation(s): _____

Parent/Guardian 2

Name: _____ Lives w/ child? yes no

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Work Phone: _____

Tribal affiliation(s): _____

D. APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT

I understand that **Salish School of Spokane** does not discriminate in its schooling or employment practices against any person because of race, color, national or ethnic origin, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, or qualified disability. I hereby certify that the facts set forth in this application process are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of any statement or a significant omission of fact may prevent me from participating in schooling, training or employment programs, and may subject me to immediate dismissal regardless of the time elapsed before discovery. I authorize **Salish School of Spokane** to thoroughly interview the primary references which I have listed, any secondary references mentioned through interviews with primary references, or other individuals who know me and have knowledge regarding my school or work history and personal temperament. I also authorize the school to thoroughly investigate my school and work records and evaluations, my educational preparation, and other matters related to my suitability for the position. I authorize references and my former employers to disclose to the school any and all school records, employment records, performance reviews, letters, reports, and other information related to my life, education and employment, without giving me prior notice of such disclosure. In addition, I hereby release the school, my former employers, references, and all other parties from any and all claims, demands, or liabilities arising out of or in any way related to such investigation or disclosure. I waive the right to ever personally view any references given to the school. I authorize the school and/or the Department of Early Learning to conduct a criminal records check. I understand and agree that any offer of schooling, training or employment that I may receive from the school is conditioned upon the receipt of background information, including criminal background information. The school may refuse or terminate my schooling, training or employment if the school deems any background information as unfavorable. I understand that this is only an application for schooling, training or employment and that no schooling, training or employment contract is being offered at this time. I certify that I have carefully read and do understand the above statements.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(if applicant is 17 years old or younger)

Date

Student Information:

I am interested in (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> youth council <input type="checkbox"/> summer 2017 program <input type="checkbox"/> full-time school program (Sept. 2017)

Please list all extracurricular activities you participate in (basketball, music, clubs, work, etc.) ----- -----
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Youth Council

If you are interested in Youth Council, please plan to attend the following meetings:

Tuesday, February 7, 2017
5:30-7 PM
Havermale Center

Tuesday, February 28, 2017
5:30-7 PM
Salish School of Spokane

At these meetings, we will share a meal, fill out employment paperwork, get to know each other, and begin planning what we will accomplish and create during the rest of the year.

Please bring this completed application with you to the Youth Council meeting(s). Additional Youth Council meetings will occur once per month, date and time to be decided by the Council and advisors.

Parents are welcome to attend Youth Council meetings with their child to observe the proceedings. But since the Youth Council is intended to be a youth-driven program, parents may observe, but not participate in the meeting. If parents have questions regarding the summer program or full-time school program, they are encouraged to attend the March information sessions for these programs.

Summer Program & Full-Time School Program

If you are interested in the summer 2017 program or the full-time school program that begins in September 2017, you will need to complete the following:

- Application (complete)
- Personal essay
- In-person interview

Admissions are competitive and applications are accepted on a rolling basis, so make sure to get your application in as soon as possible. Once the application and personal essay are received, Salish School of Spokane staff will contact you to schedule an interview.

Personal Essay

Prompt: Please answer the following questions in a cohesive personal narrative of at least 300 words.

- Why do you want to learn Salish?
- Why do you want to connect with Native Elders and knowledge keepers?
- What cultural activities have you participated in? What would you like to learn?
- What has your educational experience been like so far?
- Why do you think you would be successful at the Native Youth Empowerment Center?