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## HOPI CALENDAR

### Tala'Kyelmuyaw (July) Going Home Moon

July Tala'Kyelmuyaw  
Aug Tala'Paamuyaw  
Sep Nasanmuyaw  
Oct Angakmuyaw  
Nov TömöKyelmuyaw  
Dec Kyaamuyaw  
Jan Tömö'Paamuyaw  
Feb Powamuyaw  
Mar Ösömuayaw  
Apr Kwiayamuyaw  
May Hakitonmuyaw  
Jun Woko'uyis

## THIS MONTH IN HOPI HISTORY

- 1540: First Spanish contact with Hopi at Awat'ovi by Pedro de Tovar.
- July 20, 1942 Hopi potter Nampeyo died.
- 1958: PL 885-547 signed into law, which resulted in the start of the Healing vs. Jones case to determine land rights for Hopi and Navajo related to the 1882 boundaries (Dewey Healing was Hopi Tribal Chairman and Paul Jones was Chairman of the Navajo Tribal Council).

## FIRST MESA CONSOLIDATED VILLAGES

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## Hopi Teacher Wins \$5,000 National Prize for Excellence

Courtesy of Native NewsOnline  
By Neely Bardwell

Kristy Pahvahtyah a teacher at Pueblo Gardens PreK-8 School in Tucson, Ariz., has been recognized with the Honored Transformative Teacher Award and a \$5,000 prize.

Honored is a national nonprofit that works to keep exceptional teachers in the classroom and inspire a new generation of talent to pursue teaching. Each month from September through May, Honored selects one teacher to receive the Honored Transformative Teacher Award, which comes with a \$5,000 prize. Teachers are nominated by current or former students and parents or family members of students. Honorees are selected for their impact on the nominated student's life.

Pahvahtyah is Hopi and Tewa and grew up on the Hopi reservation, in First Mesa, AZ. She has been teaching for four years and currently teaches

fourth-grade students.

"I know as children we have dreams of what we want to be when we grow up, and teaching was one concept that never crossed my mind," Pahvatyah told *Native News Online*. "As I started going through my educational journey, I found that impacting change was something that I was passionate about. I also found that creating space for self-advocacy was also another area that I found passion in."

Pahvatyah's original plan was to be a lawyer. It wasn't until she had to leave school and move home to care for her mom, who was battling cancer, that she realized she wanted to teach.

While she was home, Pahvatyah saw that there were very limited options for employment that provided the benefits needed to support a family. So, she branched out and



Kristy Pahvahtya, is from the Village of Tewa in First Mesa, AZ and the daughter of the late Theodora Pavatea and granddaughter of Geneva Pavatea and the late Dickie Pavatea

took an interview as a teacher's assistant.

"In that process, I found that the youth are key to enlightening generational change," Pahvatyah said. "I think that for me, that was something I saw in my community that really inspired

me to become a teacher."

Now that Pahvatyah is a teacher in her own classroom, she utilizes the values of her Hopi culture to help her students celebrate their own unique identities.

"Even though I am a Native American teacher

within a public school setting where I don't have any Hopi or Tewa students, I still incorporate the values of what made me who I am," Pahvatyah said. "My values, my ways of knowing my people, and it's their ways of being that have made me who I am."

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## Remembering Hopi Potter Nampeyo



Nampeyo was born on First Mesa in the village of Hano, also known as Tewa Village, primarily made up of descendants of the Tewa people from Northern New Mexico who migrated to Hopi lands about 1702 after the Pueblo Revolt of 1680. Nampeyo died July 20, 1942

Her mother, White Corn was Tewa; her father Quootsva, from nearby Walpi, was a member of the Snake clan. She had three older brothers, Tom Polacca, Kano, and Patuntupi, also known as Squash; Her brothers were born from about 1849 to 1858.

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## Hopi Agency Superintendent Lyle Ben

Special to the Village Crier

Mr. Lyle Ben officially began his new role as the Superintendent for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Hopi Agency in May 2023.

With 12 years of experience, within the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Ben brings a wealth of knowledge to his work and leadership. Prior to this assignment he has held positions within the Navajo Region serving as a Natural Resources Specialist, the Regional NEPA Coordinator, the Supervisory Regional Environmental Scientist, and the Safety Officer.

His dedication and commitment to serving Indigenous communities has been the momentum behind his contributions to Indian Country.



Lyle Ben, BIA Hopi Agency Superintendent

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Hopi Tribal Council Report  
Investment Oversight Standing Committee  
Transportation Task Team, Gaming Committee

By: Councilman Wallace Youvella, Jr.  
Representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages

**Hopi Tribal Council:**  
\*Action Item #052-2023– To amend the General Welfare Assistance Policy to include submission of applications through an electric portal. **PASSED.** Passage of this action item allows for applications to be submitted online. There were some concerns such as where the data would be stored and who has access. The ARPA Team was questioned as to why it is taking such a long time to get the GWEAP program available to the Hopi Enrolled Members. Hopi Tribal Council was told that it could take 30 days to have the portal open, however a more realistic timeline would be 45 days. It was conveyed to the developers that it is expected the portal will open within 45 days, which would reflect late July.  
\*Correspondence from the Tawa’ovi Community Development Team (TCDT) re: the TCDT seeks and requests clarification and a decision on the Report of Investigation as requested in Hopi Tribal Council Resolution H-058-2021 conducted by R. Gehl Tucker. **PASSED.** There are concerns regarding Tawa’ovi, such as where will the Operations and Maintenance funds come from to operate more Tribal facilities? Grants available that would be pursued by the TCDT are the same grants that villages would apply for; thus, having villages compete with the Hopi Tribe for the same grant funds.  
\*Action Item #051-2023– Hopi Three Canyon Ranch (H3CR) Loan Forgiveness. It is requested that a loan of \$300,000 and interest of approximately \$1,200,000 be forgiven by the Hopi Tribe. **DEFEATED.** Although the action item was defeated, ongoing discussions are taking place to see how best to satisfy the amount owed. It is noted that the H3CR has been giving the Hopi Tribe a dividend for several years in amounts of approximately \$100,000 per year.  
\*Action Item regarding concerns and opposition of the Hopi Board of

Education (HBE) to take over the Hopi Schools via the Hopi School System, and deter for at least 2 years. A letter was received from the Bureau of Indian Education that noted the HBE fell quite short in their attempt to fulfill all the requirements to take over the Hopi Schools. Therefore, all Hopi Schools would continue to operate as usual for at least the 2023-24 School Year. The action item was not necessarily needed at this time due to the direction of the BIE.  
**Investment Oversight Standing Committee:**  
\*Investments in short term government bonds continue to do quite well due to the high interest rates. The general outlook is that these bonds will remain steady, therefore bringing in much needed yield to the Hopi Tribe.  
\*The Investment Policy action item is to be heard in Hopi Tribal Council during the month of July.  
\*The IOSC has concerns regarding the non-authorized expenditure of \$5.8 million dollars beyond the CARES award. However, the Hopi Tribal Council is awaiting a financial report from Finance Director Mr. Jim Davis, prior to taking any action.  
\*The proposed Walpi Housing Management Agreement that was extended to the Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation (HTEDC) is still waiting for approval from the HTEDC.  
\*Financial partners at Rockefeller will begin to provide investment reports on a monthly basis, to the IOSC.  
**Transportation Task Team**  
\*Discussion regarding Right of Ways (ROW) will continue with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Western Region Office in Phoenix. The Right of Ways continues to hinder transportation projects for various reasons, however things can be resolved with dialogue and cooperation. It is urgent that the Hopi Department of Transportation (HDOT), Hopi Realty,

BIA WRO, various infrastructure utilities (HUC & HTI) and land owners begin to work together.  
\*It was a pleasure to attend a meeting on June 5, 2023 with the Coconino County Board of Supervisors, Navajo Dept. of Transportation, HDOT and Assistant Secretary Arlando Teller, in Flagstaff. It was lobbied to the Assistant Secretary that Hopi is in dire need of increased funding for roads at Hotevilla/Bacavi, the Kachina Point Rd., (formerly Leupp Road), HIR-60 Upper Polacca Rd and others. Also brought to the attention of the Secretary is the need for a new Polacca Bridge on State Highway 264, a bridge on State Highway 87 crossing the Polacca Wash and the need for a bridge on the Hopi Jr./Sr. High School Road. Assistant Secretary Teller will assist Hopi in lobbying for such funds and he has committed to more meetings with Hopi on these projects.  
\*Regarding the various projects being completed and new projects in the future, the Transportation Task Team has invited the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Director to meet with Hopi in the near future. The safety concerns of State Highway 264 will be addressed with the ADOT Director.  
\*It was reported that the lack of audits that were to be conducted and submitted by the Hopi Tribe is adversely affecting HDOT. A meeting with the Finance Director is being requested by HDOT to inquire as to the severity and longevity of the problem.  
\*Chairman Jesse Thompson of the ADOT Executive Board was in attendance on June 14, and expressed support for Hopi Projects. Chairman Thompson also referred the Committee to the various funding opportunities that are available through ADOT.  
\*HDOT, with support from the Transportation Task Team will pursue the goal of becoming a “regulated entity.”

First Mesa Leaders Approve  
BIA Water System

By: Ivan L. Sidney, Village Administrator  
First Mesa Consolidated Villages

A meeting was held with the Hopi Utility Corporation (HUC) to request their assistance in providing re-training on the use of the newly installed water meters. Soon after the installations were complete, our office received the listing of the homes which were provided meter numbers for billing purposes. It was noticed that some of the information generated by a HUC representative, and our office staff member were apparently altered. This would provide inaccurate billing information.  
Also, soon after the meter installations were completed, our Water Operators had to fix some of the leaks created by improper installations, including some meters installed incorrectly. Most of these deficiencies were minor and did not require intensive work. However, it was of concern for the proper required inspections of the construction work by the Hopi Utility Corporation. This inspection of completed work allows for the coverage of proper installation of the meters. This was all reported to the HUC Director, Contract Specialist and a member of the HUC Board who attended the meeting.  
It was agreed that the Hopi Utility Corporation would assist our office in receiving proper training and use of the equipment. The readings of the meters are by use of a small computer tablet and recorded by merely driving by the homes and businesses. This information is downloaded on a hand drive and recorded on to a billing system to send to customers. We are excited about its use and intend to provide this information to each water user prior to its use for billing. This will be provided to the customers so they will know how many gallons of water they are using per month.  
The proposed “Water Agreement” by HUC remains pending due to several critical issues: First, is agreeing on the proposed rates which, at this time, does not provide enough information on the basis of the water rate. Second, HUC and the Hopi Tribal Council assumed authority over all our village lands for its Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP). This is very important to our leaders remaining to have authority over our village lands. This is a very serious violation which needs to be corrected prior to the approval of the HAMP water use, including its water rates.  
While we are working on all these issues, the First Mesa Consolidated Villages (FMCV) is updating its water policies, and the current water rates which must now include monthly payments for sewer. Delinquent payment issues must also be in compliance to provide the much-needed funds for water and sewer repairs and equipment. It is being considered that delinquent payments will no longer be allowed beyond two months. After nonpayment, water will be turned off immediately. A new system will be installed at the connection point which will disallow use of self-purchased water tool instruments.

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**Youvella Report Continued**

\*The Transportation Hopi and that dialogue Task Team will be mak- with Tonto Apache ing a report to the Hopi should continue at the Tribal Council in the earliest convenience. A meeting will be set up with Tonto Apache Chairman Johnson.  
\*The Gaming Committee met on June 15 letter with an interest in pursuing gaming at the Legacy Inn. It has been quite some time since the letter was submitted and leadership has changed at the committee. Moencopi. Therefore, a letter will be issued to the Upper Village of Moencopi to still willing to work with ask if there is still interest.

# Hopi Tribal Council Report - By Councilman Albert T. Siquah, Representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages Education Committee, Law & Order Committee and Housing Committee

## EDUCATION

The P. L. 100-297 Grant Application submitted by the Hopi Board of Education was denied. The grant application is to consolidate the seven Hopi Schools into one grant, under the name of The Unified Hopi School System. The notice was sent via a letter, and received by the Hopi Tribe from the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Education on June 7, 2023. Determination was based on the following:

### I. Equipment: Describe the Property Management System

There is no evidence a property management system is in place to meet the regulatory requirement at 2 CFR ss 200 Subpart Property Standards. There is no evidence that a consolidated inventory has been conducted that represents all seven schools generated in the property Management system.

### II. Bookkeeping and Accounting Procedures

*-Financial Management System.* There is no evidence HBE has an operational Financial Management System to meet the regulatory requirements at 2 CFR ss200.302 et. Seq.  
*-Record Keeping.* There is no evidence HBE has an operational Financial Management System to meet the regulatory requirements at CFR ss200.302 et seq.  
*-Internal Controls.* There is no evidence HBE has an operational Financial Management System to meet the regulatory requirements at 2 CFR ss 200.302 et. seq.

### III. Ability to Adequately Manage a School

*-Procurement Standards.* There is no evidence of

an operational centralized purchasing/procurement system.

*-Contract Administration.* The HBE must have an operational contract administration system to ensure compliance of the procurement standards per CFR ss200 Subpart D.

### IV. Adequately Trained Personnel

*-Key Personnel.* There is no evidence that HBE has secured the necessary Key personnel identified to administer the administrative requirements of the grant.  
*-System Management.* There is no evidence HBE has an operational Personnel System that will meet the regulatory requirements of 2 CFRs 200.302. In addition, HBE did not identify trained personnel who will operate the system.

### V. Risk Management Policies and Procedures

Status of the Hopi School’s in summary: six of the seven schools are sanctioned due to non-submission of the annual single audits. Additionally, one of the schools has an expired Unique Identifier (UEI) which is required to be active in the System of Award Management (SAM) to receive federal funding. There is clear evidence that demonstrates six of the seven schools have not met the regulatory requirements at 2 CFR 200.206(b)(i-v)

**Conclusion:** BIE shall reconsider any such amended application submitted within 60 days after the amended application is submitted to BIE. Additionally, you may appeal this decision to the Tribally Controlled Schools (TCS) Associate Deputy Director.

Finally, the HBE may request a hearing on the rec-

ord to objections identified in a letter under the same rules and regulations that apply under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act {25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.} The seven Tribally Controlled schools will retain their individual status under their original P.L. 100-297 grant agreements. The BIE recognizes the work of the Hopi Board of Education.

It is my opinion that this information is presently available within the seven schools, we do have time to incorporate it into the Grant Application.

## LAW AND ORDER

- The Tribal Council approved a Resolution to update, revise and publish the Hopi Code to include Hopi Tribal Council amendments.
- Members of the Committee will be attending a Federal Court Sentencing session in Phoenix, for a case related to “Meth” on the Hopi Reservation.
- Committee members will also attend a “virtual” Law Enforcement Conference on September 5-6, 2023.
- The Committee will be considering a lobbying effort for a Judicial Complex to complement the new Jail Facility, as the present facility is very small and presently jury trials cannot be held.

## HOPI HOUSING AUTHORITY

- The Hopi Housing Authority Board is presently considering purchasing additional property to add to the present low rent project located in Winslow, AZ.
- Initial project is progressing well and on schedule.. Presently the Authority is seeking individuals to fill Commissioner positions.

# Hopi Tribal Council Report- By Councilman Dale Siquah, Representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages June 15 Land Commission Meeting Agenda

## NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Review & possible action on Draft Hopi PRF 5 year letter – Land Commission**  
1. LC has until October of this year to get the letter committing the Tribe to a five year term for insurance. LC decided to leave this on next month’s agenda to review the language of Resolution to determine how to approach the five year commitment for Pasture Range Forage insurance.
- b. Review UAS Drone Policy– Betty Poley**  
1. UAS has updated their original Action Item to approve drone use as an internal tribal policy. This policy follows step by step FAA guidelines. 2. During their last attempt to pass this policy is the policing private public drones FAA policy for public is to register a private drone requiring no license. 3. LC asked LIS to bring new updated internal tribal policy as an Action Item in July or August. LC supports the policy

- c. Discussion on Hopi Land Settlement/condemnation Land Commission-Thayne Lowe** (Email dated May 7, 2023 from Mr. Lowe)  
1. LC will continue to engage with State to keep things moving one condemnation and purchase state land parcels

- d. Cibola Farm Lease Resolution HE-049-2006 - Review/Discussion – Land Commission/Fred Lomayesva** (Tabled to June 2023)  
1. OCG is directed to write an action item using the funds identified in the resolution to complete fallowing of farm lands. 2. The have been identified by the Treasurer. 3. Bureau of Reclamation has given a proposed contract to Hopi to participate in the water conservation program and needs some issues clarified

- e. Presentation/Discussion & possible action on Action Items:**  
1. AI Resolution– Reestablish the Range Mgt. Fund  
a. Treasurer is researching if original resolution is sufficient. This Action Item/Resolution may not be necessary. b. LC is waiting for final determination from Treasurer  
2. AI Resolution on Livestock conversation ratio  
a. This AI/Resolution address a decision from the

- 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit District Court changing the amount of ratio of sheep units to cattle units. Presently the ratio is 4 sheep units equal one cattle unit. The court changed the ratio to 5 sheep units to one cattle unit.  
b. This case was brought by the some Navajo signer in Hopi Portioned Lands.  
c. LC directed ORM to seek advice of OCG to how best handle this new conversion. Should it be an administrative action confined to specific to HPL or does it require and Ordinance revision?  
d. LC expects ORM and OCG to come with a recommendation and the AI/Resolution written with that recommendation in mind.  
3. Resolution for RU 557 Special Use Robbie Honani  
a. This AI/Resolution designates Range Unit 557 as dual purpose (weaning and bull pasture). b. Weaning will be from the months of August 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> annually  
4. AI Resolution – Moen District SR N RI  
a. This resolution concerns the Moencopi district where Office of Range Management had NRCS conduct a vegetation inventory and is using the results of inventory to implement permitting with a stocking rate of 15 Animal units per rancher. b. LC supports the AI/Resolution

- f. Appointment a member from Land Commission to Project Range Committee – Dale Siquah**  
1. Representative Marilyn Fredricks volunteered to represent the LC on the PRC and LC approved by consensus.

- g. Special Land Use Request in range unit 351 in vicinity of the small Animal Control Site.**  
LC voted to support the Special Land Use Application for 20 acres for Koho4Hopi vote: 3 yes/ 0 No/2 abstained

- h. Email dated 5.31.2023 from Carrie Joseph RE: Consultation letter– Test well on Hopi owned land**  
LC directed LC secretary to forward information to OCG and Osborn Maledon for a legal review/opinion on how to handle this issue. 2. A company is requesting a drill permit for exploratory purposes for helium in and around the DoBell ranch where Hopi owns land. The exact location needs to be



identified if it is on trust land or state parcels where Hopi owns grazing rights

- i. Email dated 6.1.2023 from Chris Wolf to Dale Siquah RE: Update-Hart Ranch wells**  
1. Mr. Wolf of DBS&A updated LC in an email that prep work for drilling pads are ready to begin  
2. The construction company contracted for ground work has applied for business licenses and should have them by now. 3. Drilling rigs are expected in July. 4. Field Hydrologist has hired will be present onsite throughout the drilling process. Likewise a field Engineer has also been hired and will be present on access road and pad preparation

- J. Email from Dale Siquah to have Land Commission have joint meeting with Water Energy Committee to hear presentation from Chairman’s staff to MS. Honani and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the flood mitigation at First Mesa Consolidated Village (Polacca Wash), Moencopi (Moencopi Wash) and Bacavi sewer pipe.**  
1. LC agreed to have a joint meeting with WEC Representative Dale S. will arrange and arrange a time and place for the presentation



# Update Report & Timeline of Meetings re: First Mesa Flooding, Mesa Erosion, Sewer Breaks & HAMP Waterlines

By: Wilber Kaye, Staff Assistant  
First Mesa Consolidated Villages

**January 24, 2023– 1:00 pm FMCV Conference Room**

First Mesa discussed the “sink hole” in Tewa Village, on HIR 508 in front of the Komalestewa’s residence. Additional information was provided regarding the entire mesa instability along the Southeast edge. Flooding was also discussed. Hopi Department of Transportation, Hopi Department of Public Safety and Emergency Services, First Mesa Hopi Tribal Council (HTC) Reps, Hopi Police, Villages of Walpi, Sichomovi and Tewa were in attendance. The temporary solution is to fill with asphalt until an expert assessment can be made.

**January 30, 2023– 8:00 am Flagstaff, Az**

The First Mesa Consolidated Villages’ (FMCV) Staff and First Mesa Hopi Tribal Council Representatives met to discuss First Mesa Goals and Objectives for 2023. Including First Mesa Environmental concerns, BIA & Hopi Tribe PL 93-638 Contracts (DNR), HAMP, HIR 10 and 60, Sewer Lagoon, Sewer leak under 264, Airport and the Veterans Housing Project.

**March 2, 2023 – 9:00 am FMCV Conference Room**

Meeting with Navajo County Board of Supervisors, District II, Navajo County Public Works and Navajo County Emergency Services regarding Critical Environmental Geologic Issues. Navajo County extended their services and resources.

**March 3, 2023 – 11:00 am Via Zoom Video Conferencing**

By invitation, Myron Ami and Wilber Kaye attended a discussion with Arizona Senator Mark Kelly’s Office for Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) for FY’24. His office is aware of the flooding issue at Hopi. Due to a lack of communication with the Hopi Tribe, the application could not be completed by the deadline. CDS had upward of \$3 million in funding which could have funded a feasibility study.

**March 14, 2023 – 9:00 am FCMV Conference Room**

Follow up meeting with First Mesa Council Reps on progress of critical environmental issues, Sewer (ARPA), funding, HUC, HIR 10 and 60, and Sewer break.

**March 14, 2023 – 11:00 am Via ZOOM Video Conferencing**

Meeting with the Southwest Regional United States Geological Survey (USGS) Program Officer and Tribal Liaison Russell Taylor-Grimes and Ryan Crow, Research Geologist USGS. First Mesa geology, rock falls, and landslides. FMCV scheduled a follow up meeting with USGS and AZGS landslide experts. We provided photos of concerning areas including monthly photos of the “sink hole.”

**April 4, 2023 – 1:30 pm Navajo County Public Works**

Meeting with Navajo County Public Works, Navajo County Board of Supervisors District II, Navajo County Sheriff’s Office, Navajo County Emergency Management, and the Arizona State Transportation Board. The meeting addressed the First Mesa flooding and mesa erosion. NCSO and NCEM agreed to provide resources to assist with mitigation. NCSO will provide drone reconnaissance and documentation and Emergency Management will assist with plans, material and presentations.

**April 5, 2023 – 4:00 pm First Mesa Elementary School**

Public Meeting re: Sewer Break under State Route 264. Updates and funding opportunities.

**April 12, 2023 – 6:00 pm First Mesa Elementary School**

Public presentation of First Mesa flooding (past, current & future plans), mesa geology (fracturing, rockfalls, landslides), mesa & village drainage systems. Current relationships with tribal government, state/county governments, and Federal agencies.

**April 13, 2023– 9:00 am FMCV Conference Rm**

Meeting with Hopi Office of Real Estate Services, Hopi Utility Corporation, Bureau of Indian Affairs Western Regional Office (BIAWRO), Indian Health Service Public Health, WW Clyde and DBSA re: Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP) Right of Way; First Mesa, Hopi High School and Keams Canyon. Informally met with BIAWRO regarding 638 contracts.

**April 14, 2023 – 9:00 am City of Winslow Chamber of Commerce**

Public Input Mr. Ivan Sidney addressed State Route 264, Polacca Wash and Bridge flooding, Early warning systems, State Route 264 improvements & expansion and HIR 60. First Mesa HTC Representative Wallace Youvella Jr. addressed BIA funding of State Bridges on Indian Reservations. He also spoke of the Hopi Tribe and HDOT SR 264 crash data and the impacts of not reporting to ADOT.

**April 26, 2023 , 2:00 pm via Microsoft Teams video conferencing**

Meeting with USGS and AZGS geologist to discuss the First Mesa Geology study. Discussed Village of Walpi’s request for services, expanding the scope of the geologic study to include the entire mesa and beyond the gap east. Discussed other overlapping studies and projects on Hopi with USGS and USACE. Site visits TBD.

**May 2, 2023 – 6pm FMCV Conference Room**

Meeting with First Mesa Traditional leadership, Kikmongwi, Katsin Mongwi, and Soyal Mongwi’s Spokesman. Presentation, recommendations, and proposals for the next steps in the critical and urgent environmental hazards study and mitigation efforts in First Mesa. Discussed HAMP/HUC violations of First Mesa Traditional Leadership land authority, Right of Ways, and proposed projects at Low Mountain, Hopi High School and Keams Canyon. Updates on all current and future projects.

**May 31, 2023– 9am FMCV Conference Room**

The Leadership and FMCV met with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Office of Realty Services to work on a Conditional Agreement for HAMP construction to continue at Low Mountain Junction, Hopi High School and Keams Canyon. No permissions were given by FMCV Traditional leadership for land use and right of ways. The Consultant for HUC insists the Hopi Tribe has authority to use and occupy traditional lands without approval from the Leadership. He cites a Hopi Tribal Resolution and legal (verbal) opinion of the Hopi Office of the General Counsel. This has a significant impact for every village’s autonomy if this is the Hopi Tribes position.

**May 31, 2023 6:00 pm First Mesa Elementary School**

Follow-up public presentation on the First Mesa flooding Issue. Mr. Ami presented updated information. The US Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) attended to provide a brief general update on the short-term and mid-term projects. The Hopi Tribal Chairman was also in attendance and commented on the situation. Community attendance increased. Due to time constraints, Q & A and comments were limited. However, audience members were provided cards for any questions or comments. These were published in the First Mesa Village Crier, June 13, 2023 edition.

**June 1, 2023 – FMCV Conference Room**

The First Mesa Leaders, Clan Leaders, several homeowners impacted by the flood and FMCV met with USACE Geologists John Drake and Christopher Stanton. Others in attendance included The Hopi Chairman’s Office, Hopi Agency BIA Superintendent, ADOT, ORES, DPS & ES, and LIS. This meeting included more specific information relating to

the plans of USACE. A site visit followed from the bridge southwest toward the damaged fields then northeast towards the homes affected. This marks the first meeting with the Hopi Tribe and USACE.

**June 1, 2023 – FMCV**

The First Mesa Traditional Leaders granted a Conditional Agreement with the Hopi Utilities Corporation (HUC) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs to Continuing working on the HAMP. The Office of Realty Services represented FMCV in the conditional agreement. There are six (6) areas of this project that require remedial action. Each will be negotiated separately. HUC violated First Mesa land protocols and began the project with no Leadership approvals, no right of ways or encroachment documentation. BIA became aware of the violations and immediately ceased some of its operations and called for a meeting with FMCV and ORES. Finalized agreements have yet to be scheduled.

**June 13, 2023 – FMCV Conference Room**

The First Mesa Leadership and FMCV met with seven (7) geologists from the USGS and AZGS. Each Geologist specializes in a specific field, unique to one another. Others who attended the meeting were the Hopi Tribe Chairman’s Office, First Mesa Council Representatives, and Community Service Office Administrators. After a brief presentation by FMCV, most of the attendees descended the mesa to view firsthand the erosion and hazards of the mesa. The Geologist conducted a cursory survey along with anecdotal history and observations of the mesa over the years. After the initial assessments, everyone reconvened at FMCV for a short brief. The USGS and AZGS teams agreed to discuss and produce a report to support FMCV’s mitigation efforts.

**June 20, 2023– BIA Hopi Agency Conference room**

FMCV was among guests from HUC, HDOT, ORES, Hopi High School, DBSA for a meeting with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to discuss Conditions 5 and 6 of the Conditional Agreement. HDOT’s contention with HUC is that proper documentation was not submitted to them for Rt. 60 and for the High school road. Hopi High School administration and Board were never notified of the HAMP connection. Hopi High School recently spent \$2 million on a Reverse Osmosis System and nearly \$1 million more on maintenance. Hopi High’s main concern was the pressurization of their fire suppressant system, and if any break in the HAMP will compromise the system. Though not on the agenda, another issue concerning HUC’s disregard of process was that they placed a water line within HDOT’s design for HIR 10. The plan for HIR 10 was complete and funded. This will delay the project.

**First Mesa Consolidated Villages continues to work for the community.** This timeline is not all inclusive but reflects some of the projects that affect the entire community from First Mesa to Keams Canyon. All of this information has been reported in the Village Crier since January 2023.

Future meetings will be scheduled when the Reports have been received from the USGS re: the Mesa Erosion and Road Hazards.

**The First Mesa Consolidated Villages office will be closed on July 4th, in observance of Independence Day. You may place water payments in Drop Box located next to the office door. No cash or personal checks will be accepted**

# Red Feather Development Group, Indian Motorcycle Visit Hopi

Submitted by: Kiera Coughlan, Red Feather Development  
Flagstaff, AZ – 2023

Red Feather Development Group, a nonprofit organization based in Flagstaff, Arizona, has been working with Indigenous communities to assist in addressing the housing needs of families since 2015. In January, Red Feather hosted a visit by Indian Motorcycle representative Micki Dirtzu, a philanthropic partner of the organization, to the Hopi Nation. Red Feather has a long history of working with a variety of tribal partners on housing-related issues, with its beginning dating back to 1995 with work on the Pine Ridge reservation. Currently, Red Feather is focused exclusively on projects within Hopi and Navajo communities. Red Feather's current focus areas include heating system upgrades, which can mean installing an electric dual heating and cooling pump (affectionately called mini-splits) and switching out old, inefficient, or unsafe woodstoves for EPA-certified efficient ones, general home repairs like roofing, window and doors, building ramps for elders, and improving options for at-home water storage and hygiene access. Red Feather works with families to address the most urgent health and safety home repairs affecting their home and provides case management to assist the family in finding solutions for minor and major home repairs. Indian Motorcycle, a financial supporter of Red Feather, is dedicated to building relationships with on-the-ground partners that serve to enhance life in Indian Country. Indian Motorcycle is aligned with Red Feather's mission to uplift Native communities and improve overall quality of life. Micki Dirtzu, Indian Motorcycle's Community Engagement Manager, based in Wisconsin, visited the Hopi Nation on January 19th with Red Feather Community Coordinator for Hopi Alfred Lomahquahu and Red Feather Fund Development Manager Kiera Coughlan. Alfred Lomahquahu, former Vice Chairman for the Hopi Tribe, and Red Feather's current Community Coordinator on the Hopi Nation, connected Micki to Tribal elected officials and community members impacted by Red Feather's work. They were welcomed by Chairman Nuvangyaoma's staff and current Vice Chairman Craig Andrews along with his staff, engaging in a roundtable discussion on possible ways to deepen the partnership and provide more effective programs for Hopi communities, both with a focus on Red Feather's current housing work and other possibilities for Indian Motorcycle to engage authentically with the Hopi tribe. "The work Red Feather Development Group does, making homes safer and healthier, aligns with Indian Motorcycles' pledge to support Native Communities," shares Aaron Jax, Vice President of Indian Motorcycle. "Micki's visit to Hopi brought us a greater understanding of how we can support and impact the lives of the Hopi Tribe. We're thankful for our partnership with the Red Feather Development Group and the opportunity they have given us to learn more about the Hopi community." "It is one thing to read and look at photos of the work being done by our partners at Red Feather, but seeing the vast, beautiful land, meeting the people and hearing their stories person to person opened a door inside me to deeper understanding and appreciation. Thank you so much for welcoming me into your homes and offices and being so generous with your smiles," says Micki Dirtzu. "The Community Engagement role was created in 2020 in a time of expanded cultural sensitivity and reconciliation work," explains Dirtzu. "As the second person in this role, I am in the process of building strong, long-term relationships within the

Native American community and navigating how to work collaboratively in a good way." "We are grateful for the support Indian Motorcycle has provided to Red Feather," added Kiera Coughlan, Red Feather Fund Development Manager. "As a nonprofit reliant on funding from a variety of sources, but mainly foundation and corporate grants, these partnerships are so important. We are always trying to grow and strengthen our programs to better address the housing needs of the Hopi people, and we need strong partnerships, both with the tribe and with outside supporters like Indian Motorcycle, to do that." During her visit, Dirtzu was impressed by the incredible work being done in the community and the rich culture and history of the Hopi people. She had the opportunity to meet community stakeholders and learn about their experiences firsthand. Dirtzu also enjoyed sampling the blue corn frybread at the Hopi Cultural Center, a recommendation by Lomahquahu. Lomahquahu also emphasized the importance of having outside partners come to the community and listen to their stories. "We loved showing Micki around Hopi and are deeply grateful for the time of all those in the Vice Chairman's office who sat and talked with us," he shares. "It's really different when an outside partner actually comes to the community and engages with our people. And it takes time, effort and consideration on the part of tribal members as well to engage." Indian Motorcycle is looking for reciprocal philanthropic partnerships, where continual learning can take place. The company is focused on creating authentic relationships with Native American communities to learn about their needs and work collaboratively to improve their lives. Through partnerships with organizations

# July is National “Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month”

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
Bernadean Kachinhongva, HSAPC Memtor  
Hopi Substance Abuse Prevention Center

Kykotsmovi, AZ - The month of July is National “Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month.” The H.O.P.I. Substance Abuse Prevention Center (HSAPC) is recognizing National “Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention Month.” This month’s awareness campaign focuses on raising awareness and prevention for a congenital condition known as Cleft lip and palate, locally and worldwide. HSAPC staff would like to educate the community on this awareness. Cleft lip and palate is under the umbrella of Craniofacial abnormalities. Craniofacial abnormalities are present at birth and can vary in severity. This Cleft lip and Palate abnormality can occur in the first three months of pregnancy (while the unborn baby is in the womb). There are several ways cleft lip and palate can be formed. The first form is called Unilateral incomplete, meaning a small or large gap on the upper lip (from tip of lip to nose) on one side of the nose. The next is called Unilateral complete, meaning a small or large gap of the upper lip (from tip of lip to nose) and the palate (roof of the mouth). Bilateral complete meaning a small or large gap of the upper lip, both nostrils (nose holes) and palate (roof of the mouth). Approximately 7,000 infants in the United States are born with a form of Cleft lip and Palate. Children born with this abnormality can have problems with eating, dental care, hearing, speech, and social development (self-esteem and bullying). Children born with this condition can be treated with corrective surgery, which can boost an individual’s self-esteem. In some cases, an individual might not have the opportunity to have corrective treatment, which can lead to future problems for them. Research identifies risk factors for cleft lip and palate condition, they can include maternal diabetes, family genetics, smoking cigarettes while pregnant, certain pre-

scription medications, and lack of vitamin B (folic Acid) deficiency during pregnancy. The primary focus of Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness and Prevention is to educate and encourage all to accept one another and their uniqueness. Here are several ways you can raise awareness: Educate yourselves, family, friends, children, and community members; host an in person or virtual fundraiser; create a positive educational awareness post on social media; and read this message. It may be hard for an individual to seek support for themselves if we are not educated and aware of these health-related conditions. The goal is that the community is willing to support an individual with this condition and that individual(s) will be open to receiving help. The HSAPC staff recognizes the importance of this awareness within our communities. As a grant recipient of Arizona’s Governor’s Office of Youth, Faith, and Family’s - Trauma Informed Substance Abuse Prevention Program (funds provided through SAMHSA), the HSAPC staff receive trauma-informed care training and utilize strategies in our services. HSAPC mentors help individuals work through their physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual healing journey. “We believe in honoring ourselves by living an honest, sober, balanced life.” Healing begins with you! HSAPC mentors provide one-to-one mentoring services for youth and adults, group classes, community presentations, supportive programs for local schools, and cognitive restructuring for a positive recovery journey. As a non-profit organization, all HSAPC services are free of charge. We encourage all in their recovery journey to take it one day at a time: sometimes it’s one moment at a time. If you feel comfortable reaching out to HSAPC mentors, call 928-734-0300. The Hopi Health Care Center at 928-737-6000 or your local health care facility.



Independence Day for the year 2023 is celebrated on Tuesday, July 4th. July 4th is a federal holiday and marks the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776 when the United States declared independence from Great Britain



# Supreme Court Rules Against Navajo Nation in Landmark Water Rights Case

Native News Online  
June 22, 2023



The Supreme Court issued a 5-4 ruling today against the Navajo Nation in its attempts to secure water rights to the Colorado River.

The case *Navajo Nation v. Arizona* rested on the merits of a 150-year-old promise from the federal government to fulfill the water needs of Native American reservations.

The high court ruled that the 1868 treaty in question — in which the Navajo Nation reservation was established and the U.S. government guaranteed the Tribe's agriculture needs, including water rights — did not require the federal government to take "affirmative steps" to secure water for the Tribe.

Writing for the majority, Justice Brett Kavanaugh opined, "It is not the Judiciary's role to rewrite and update this 155-year-old treaty."

Justice Neil Gorsuch joined the court's liberal justices in dissent.

Navajo Nation President Buu Nygreen released a statement expressing disappointment in the ruling but underscoring the tribe's determination to continue forward.

"Today's ruling is disappointing and I am encouraged that the ruling was 5-4," Nygren said in the statement. "It is reassuring that four justices understood our case and our arguments. As our lawyers continue to analyze the opinion and determine what it means for this particular lawsuit, I remain undeterred in obtaining quantified water rights for the Nav-

ajo Nation in Arizona.

The Navajo Nation established a water rights negotiation team earlier this year and we are working very hard to settle our water rights in Arizona. My job as the President of the Navajo Nation is to represent and protect the Navajo people, our land, and our future. The only way to do that is with secure, quantified water rights to the Lower Basin of the Colorado River. I am confident that we will be able to achieve a settlement promptly and ensure the health and safety of my people. And in addition, the health and productivity of the entire Colorado River Basin, which serves up to thirty tribes and tens of millions of people who have come to rely on the Colorado River."

At 27,000 square miles, Navajo Nation is the largest reservation in the country, enveloping parts of Arizona, New Mexico and Utah in the Colorado River Basin. Approximately 170,000 of the Tribe's 350,000 members live on the reservation. Some 30% of homes in the Navajo Nation are currently without running water. It is common for families to drive to water access points once or twice a week to fill plastic barrels of water for cooking, cleaning, and drinking.

The Navajo Nation brought the suit against the state of Arizona after their water rights came into question as the Tribe's primary water source — the 1,450-mile-long Colorado River — has dwindled by 20%

over the past two decades amid relentless drought conditions in the region. Water from the river is allocated to seven states, with 40 million Americans relying on it for their water supply. The suit alleged a "breach of trust" and sought to compel the federal government to secure water for Navajo Nation by assessing the Tribe's water needs, developing a plan to secure the needed water, and potentially building pipelines, pumps, wells, or other water infrastructure.

In oral arguments in March, the Tribe asserted their water rights under the Winters doctrine, a 1908 SCOTUS opinion considered to be the foundation of tribal water rights, in which it was determined that when Congress reserves land for Native Americans, it also must "reserve water sufficient enough to fulfill the purpose of the reservation."

However, the court determined that the Tribe's arguments were "incorrect."

"In the Tribe's view, the 1868 treaty imposed a duty on the United States to take affirmative steps to secure water for the Navajo. With respect, the Tribe is incorrect," Justice Brett Kavanaugh wrote for the majority.

The court's conservatives joined the majority opinion, with the exception of Neil Gorsuch, who has a track record of defending tribal rights and authored the dissenting opinion. Gorsuch was joined in his opinion by the liberal justices.

In observance of Independence Day, the First Mesa Consolidated Villages Office will be closed on July 4.



## 2023 Hopi Jr. Sr. High School Summer Hours

Beginning Monday, June 12 through Friday, July 21, HJSHS will adhere to summer office hours. The Campus will be open for business from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm on Mondays thru Thursdays only. Summer staff will not be available on Fridays. For information, call (928) 738-5111.

## Hopi Health Care Center is proud to announce the 2023 Indigenous Pride Health Worker Program students



Norman Panana: Coyote Clan/Tewa Village, Yokie Dukepoo: Bear Clan/Walpi Village, Nahntiya Poleviyaoma: Eagle Clan/Tewa Village, Lucille Polingyumtewa: Greasewood Clan/Hotevilla Village and Keonna Honanie, Tobacco Clan /Tewa Village

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Gorsuch wrote that the court's decision "rejects a request the Navajo Nation never made," adding that "the relief the Tribe seeks is far more modest."

Gorsuch underscored the court's consensus that the Navajo Nation received enforceable water rights by treaty and that the United States holds those water rights on the Tribe's behalf. The request, therefor, is a simple one, "They want the United States to identify the water rights it holds for them."

"Where does the Navajo Nation go from here?" Gorsuch wrote. "To date, their efforts to find out what water rights the United States hold for them have produced an experience familiar to any American who has spent time at the Department of Motor Vehicles. The Navajo have waited patiently for someone, anyone, to help them, only to be told (repeatedly) that they have been standing in the wrong line and must try another."

Perhaps here, as there, some measure of justice will prevail in the end."



rom P1— Pahvatyah Wins Prize

Pahvatyah looks at and how it is pro- her students as her chil- dren. She uses expecta- tions for her students that are from her Hopi language, such as ‘kyaptsi’ the Hopi word for respect. She also teaches her students the importance of contrib- uting to a whole commu- nity for the benefit of everyone instead of for individual rewards.

Pahvatyah also sets an expectation of acting with integrity by creating an environment where students are encouraged to take the initiative to accomplish a task with- out having to be asked or reminded to do so. These can be translated back into Pahvatyah’s Hopi and Tewa languages.

It is these things, she explains, that sets her classroom apart.

“It’s [the classroom] cultivated around those three concepts of re- spect, integrity and hum- ble-ism,” Pahvatyah said. “And now, even though they don’t speak my language, they un- derstand because it real- ly helps create this class- room community that is not just in this assimila- tory space, but it creates this family.”

She explained that one example of how she cultivates a space of learning, respect, integ- rity, and humility is by having all students respect her last name

and how it is pro- nounced. By recognizing that many BIPOC names are often “white- washed,” she believes that by teaching them to respect her name, they will respect other stu- dents’ names.

Pahvahtyah was nom- inated for the Honored Award by two of her stu- dents, Gabby and Lili Borquez.

Ninety-four percent of Honored Teachers report feeling more en- thusiastic about teaching and 88 percent of them share that receiving this recognition is likely to keep them in the class- room for five more years.

“I truly am humbled by this accomplishment, and it has indeed been a new journey for me to explore,” Pahvahtyah said. “I appreciate shar- ing this with our youth, especially our indige- nous youth and commu- nities, and with the world. But as I set out in my career, I never had the intention of doing it for awards or celebra- tions, but the intention to make a difference and an impact.

As happy as I am to receive and embrace this accomplishment, I am also humbled by the no- tion that by getting there, I can say that I have stayed true to my inten- tions of making that dif- ference and making that impact.”

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Nampeyo Potter Photos



Safe Driving Tips



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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**Kykotsmovi, AZ – (June 14, 2023)** Hopi Law Enforcement Services has responded to 17 ve- hicle accidents since May 1, 2023. For our roads to remain safe, there are essential driving habits we all need to practice to ensure responsible driving. It is important to note that human error is the lead- ing cause of most vehicle accidents, and all drivers can avoid these accidents through safe driving. Simple mistakes like lack of focus, speeding and distracted driving can cause an accident.

Hopi Law Enforcement Services offers the follow- ing safe driving tips as a way to keep our roads safe:

Stay Alert

While on the road this summer, plan enough time to stop to stretch, get something to eat, return calls or text messages, and change drivers or rest if you feel drowsy.

Avoid Risky Behaviors

Do not text while driving or drive distracted. Obey posted speed limits and always drive sober. Both alcohol and drugs whether legal or illicit can cause impairment. It is illegal to drive impaired by any substance on the Hopi Reservation – no excep- tions. Alcohol and drugs can impair the skills criti- cal for safe and responsible driving such as coordi- nation, judgment, perception, and reaction time.

Fasten your Seat Belt

Seat belts saves lives. When you are involved in an accident, and your safety belt is on, it restrains you, helps to prevent you from being ejected out of your vehicle or hitting surfaces such as the dashboard. Whenever you get into your vehicle, make it a habit to fasten your seat belt first. You are liable for all passengers in your vehicle must ensure everyone is wearing their seat belt. Wearing a seat belt is vital to ensuring the safety of your family and you.

Don’t drive aggressively

Aggressive driving entails switching lanes re- peatedly, cutting other drivers off, and not yielding the right of way. This kind of driving can make oth- er drivers angry which can lead to a dangerous inci- dent or cause an accident. Ensure that you remain calm on the road and even move away from aggres- sive drivers on the road.

ake note of pedestrians and cyclists

Be alert for pedestrians and cyclists, follow traf- fic signs and avoid distractions as a way to ensure you do not collide with pedestrians. Ensure that you always adhere to speed limits and give way to pedestrians.

Be careful when driving in school zones

Summer school has started. When driving in a school zone or bus loading areas, you need to lower your speed even more. School zones have lower speed limits because children may not be as cau- tious on roadways as adults. When you are in a school zone, it is your responsibility as a driver to watch out or slow down for children’s safety. It is imperative that you avoid distractions when driving in school zones.

Young drivers’ safety guide

Young drivers lack experience with most obstacles or challenges on the road. By following these simple safety driving tips, we can all reduce the risk of an accident and return home safely to our loved ones.

For more information, contact Hopi Law Enforce- ment Services at 928-734-7340 or 928-497-1493.



First Mesa Consolidated Villages Tribal Council  
Representatives REPORT Card

FMCV Tribal Council Representatives are required to make Monthly Reports and Updates to the First Me- sa Community. However, due to past gathering restrictions, Reports are published in the Village Crier. Below is a recap of reports submitted by your Representatives, beginning January 1, 2021 to Present.

2023 Reports Received	Ivan Sidney Admin	Albert Sinquah	Dale Sinquah	Wallace Youvella Jr
January	√/√	●	√/√	√
February	√/√√ √/√√	●	●	√
March	√/√	●	√	√
April	√	√	√	√
May	√/√	√	√	√
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September	√/√	●	●	√
October	√√√√	√	●	√
November	√√√√	●	√	√
December	√√√√	●	●	√

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IN MEMORIAM

**NATHANIEL “NATE — MUFFIE” YELLOWHORSE**  
**DECEMBER 11, 1965 - JUNE 22, 2023**

**DAUGHTERS:** Natasha Yellowhorse & Daffany/Michael Naha  
**GRANDCHILDREN:** Nikki Dennis, Jana, Callie, Randi, Aiden Naha  
**MOTHER:** Maryruth Shepard  
**SISTER:** Lendra Shepard  
**BROTHER:** Charles /Trenae Shepard  
**NIECES:** Shelby & Josette Yellowhorse, Amber Lomayestewa, Maisy Shepard  
**NEPHEWS:** Jamal & Cristopher Yellowhorse, Noah Shepard  
**PRECEDED IN DEATH:**  
**Father John Yellowhorse and brother Johnathan Yellowhorse**

**HJSHS 2023-2024 Student Registration**  
**July 24—July 27**

HJSHS is hosting student registration for the 2023-2024 School Year starting on Monday, July 24 through Thursday, July 27th in our cafeteria.

There are 2 sessions during each of the 4 days. All students (new and returning) planning to attend HJSHS next school year must attend one of the registration sessions; including those who have already completed their enrollment application online.

Enrolling online speeds up the registration process but there are still several items that must be completed in-person. For questions, please call your student's respective office at (928) 738-5111.

**July 10 - 13, 2023 | 8:30 am - 3:00 pm**  
**Hopi High Football Field**  
**6th - 12th grade**  
**Open to ALL Athletes for Agility & Conditioning**

**Register here**  
<https://forms.gle/witjXCbwMAjBg1rQ8>  
**Waiver**  
<https://forms.gle/jjSa8qG7HttYhuLA>  
**Registration Ends July 1, 2023**

**\$50 per camp**  
Zelle preferred:  
(480) 930-6401

**Features stations of calisthenics, conditioning, offensive and defensive drills.**  
**Workshops**

We are honored to have our returning coaches along with new coaching staff.

Lunch and Incentives will be provided

Questions email [honwunics@gmail.com](mailto:honwunics@gmail.com) or call/text (480) 930-6401

**Happy Independence Day**

**Hopi Jr./Sr. High School**

*In Person*  
**REGISTRATION**  
*Bruin Cafeteria*

**HJSHS 2023-2024**

**July 24, 26 & 27**  
**9 AM - 12 PM**  
**1 PM - 4 PM**

**July 25**  
**1 - 4 PM**  
**5 - 8 PM**

**(ALL Students must attend)**

**New Student Applicants**  
Documents Needed:  
• Birth Certificate  
• Certificate of Indian Blood (CIB)  
• Updated Immunization Record  
• Grade Placement (Promotion Certificate, Report Card, or Transcript)  
• Guardianship Documents if applicable

**For more information**  
928-738-5111  
928-738-1406 High School  
928-738-1411 Jr. High School  
[registration@hjshs.org](mailto:registration@hjshs.org)

**HJSHS 2023-2024 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

Hopi Jr./Sr. High School's Enrollment Period for the 2023-2024 School Year is open! All students (returning and new) planning on attending HJSHS for the 23-24 school year should apply by using the links below. Hard copies of the application packets can be picked up in the HJSHS Student Services Office. Please note that students who attended HJSHS during 2022-2023 but didn't complete the school year with us must complete the New Student Application. We're very excited for the upcoming school year! Welcome Bruins

Enrollment Home Page Link: [https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=460387...](https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=460387...)

New Student Application Link: [https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=456681...](https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=456681...)

Returning Student Application Link: [https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=456682...](https://www.hjshs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=456682...)

To view in color, log into:  
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928-737-2670

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Students must provide proof of tribal enrollment to receive the free tuition offer. This offer includes all Federally Recognized Tribes.

**ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED AT TOHONO O'ODHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE WILL HAVE THEIR BOOKS AND FEES COVERED.**

This offer is available to both Native American and Non-Native American Students!

**Admissions Applications for Summer and Fall are Open!**

**2023 Summer Admissions Deadline**  
May 26, 2023 at 5 pm (AZ TIME)

**2023 Fall Admissions Deadline**  
Aug. 18, 2023 at 5 pm (AZ TIME)