

Nek'wilgi Newsletter for March 2024

I am so happy that spring is almost here! Thank you to the students who have been attending regularly. The NVIT programs will start soon and attendance is paramount. We have decided that any students who get 85% attendance or higher will be allowed to attend the year-end field trip. We will be working on the itinerary while you guys are on your spring break, which runs from March $4-8^{th}$. So far, we have raised about \$4000. We will start selling tickets for our next raffle this week.

1st place - a case of jarred moose meat and a bag of rice

2nd place - a case of jarred fish and a bag of rice

3rd place - a case of blueberry jam and a large jar of peanut butter

Tickets will be \$5 each OR 3 tix/\$10

Bridges to Trades will start on March 11 and run till May 31^{st} . The hours are 9 am to 4 pm each day. The ACCESS program will run from March $18 - \text{May } 24^{th}$. The hours are 9 am to 4 pm each day. Both programs include lunch daily.

As I mentioned before, we will be keeping track of your attendance and only those with 85% attendance or higher will be on the year-end field trip. What does this actually mean? For the Bridges program, you can only miss 9 days out of the 60 days. I think that is very generous. You should miss way less days than that. For the ACCESS program that means you can only miss 7.5 days out of the 50 days. Again, you can do this! Aim for perfect attendance while you are in this program. You will reap the benefits. Your pay will be higher, you will feel a sense of accomplishment, and you will know what's going on each day in class, rather than walking in and wondering what's going on.

The Nek'wilgi Staff will be on their spring break from March 25 to April 5th. Hildegarde will still be here during those two weeks. Take care everyone.

Valerie Angus, Coordinator of Nek'wilgi PEP