



## Education update

### January classes for tribal members

**Scrapbooking:** Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. in the Higher Education Classroom. Participants will use paper crafting, stamping, stickers for scrap booking. Bring pictures, mementos, souvenirs, concert tickets etc. Contact Luana Herrera at Higher Education 970-563-0237 to sign up.

### Education announces GED test dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: Feb. 3, and March 2. The test is held at the Education Building, 330 Burns Ave. Registration and payments are due by Tuesday before the test. Scholarships are available for Native Americans who live within 50 miles of the service area, spend 12 hours in class, score a 450 on practice tests and submit paperwork two weeks in advance. For more information, call Pine River Community Learning Center at 970-563-0681 or Donna Broad at 970-563-0237 or 970-749-1953.

### Martin Luther King Jr. Day Closures: Monday, Jan. 16

Southern Ute Tribal Offices  
 Southern Ute Head Start  
 Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy  
 Ignacio and Bayfield school districts

## STEM after-school open house at The Southern Ute Education Department



After school January 25th from 2:15-4:45 p.m.  
 Similar open house STEM programs will run the last Wednesday of each month, same time, and same place:

- February 29
- March 28
- April 25

Is your 3rd-8th grader into science?  
 Are they not sure what to do after-school?

Come discover your inner scientist in this fun and interactive experiment-filled open house program!  
 FREE FOR SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL STUDENTS. \$10 EACH FEE PER SESSION FOR JOM STUDENTS.

Believe it or not, Durango Discovery Museum after-school programs have taught students new science concepts and vocabulary, enhanced students' science skills and allowed them to have loads of fun! The tradition will continue, with science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs at the Southern Ute Education Department one Wednesday a month during Early Release. January's program will focus on Wild Wind. Students will learn engineering concepts as they create windmills, anemometers, pin-wheels and other windy crafts. They will make windy tools to take home, and explore how wind can be captured to do work. It's sure to be a blast!

The Durango Discovery Museum's education staff will guide students through inquiry and hands-on activities. Parents are more than welcome to come and enjoy the fun! We'll meet at the Southern Ute Education Building the last Wednesday of every month from 2:15-4:45 p.m. Stop in, say hello, and stay as long (or as short) as you'd like! Discovery Museum classes have sparked students' interest in science, engineering, math and technology, and they have inspired students to notice, wonder and learn. Parents, asked in the past, have responded that their children enjoyed the experience, their children became more interested in science while learning new vocabulary, and they were highly likely to bring their children to other programs offered by the Museum.

*spark curiosity, ignite imagination, and power exploration*

For further questions please contact Sarah Margoles at the Discovery Museum 970-403-1863, sarah@durangodiscovery.org or Carrie Vogel at Southern Ute, 970-563-0235, cvogel@southern-ute.nsn.us

Attention:  
 Southern Ute  
 Tribal & JOM  
 eligible students

## Teen Leadership in Education

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Department of Education

Take a trip to Washington D.C.

- Ages 13 -18
- June 3rd-8th
- Currently enrolled in school
- Information meeting Jan 18th



Learn more January 18th at the Department of Education Building at 5:30pm. Refreshments and door prizes

Deadline to register February 10th

Deposit is required at time of registration

Contact Michael Kirsch or Julie Stone at

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

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Join us this summer to develop our leadership program and for an educational trip to our nation's capital. Visit historical landmarks, museums, and buildings including the Smithsonian, Arlington Cemetery, and the U.S. Capital. Learn about our Government and how it impacts our daily lives and shapes our future. Visit the home of the decision makers with your fellow classmates and share in the experience of gaining an understanding of the current government structure.

**WANTED INTERNS**

## 2012 SUMMER INTERNSHIPS



**Who should apply:** Native students studying business, technology, computer science or marketing

**Internship options include:**

- Software quality assurance
- Programming
- Network Management
- Marketing

**Benefits include:**

- Summer income
- Structred, mentored, real-world experience
- References for use in future career
- Experience in technology and software development

**Applications accepted:**

January 1, 2012–April 15, 2012

**Where:**

Handel's headquarters—Laramie, WY



Check for updates at [www.handelit.com](http://www.handelit.com) or

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**Local farmers interested in providing food to schools for the 2012-13 school year are invited to attend the**

## SW COLORADO FARM-TO-SCHOOL PRE-BID CONFERENCE

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 13TH  
 10:00 A.M.**

**BIG PICTURE HIGH SCHOOL  
 ROOM 103**

**215 E. 12TH STREET  
 (NEXT DOOR TO THE 9-R ADMINISTRATION BUILDING)**

**Discussion Items Include:**

- ◊ Pricing
- ◊ Farm/District Match-Up
- ◊ Order Placement Methods
- ◊ Delivery Requirements
- ◊ Estimated Quantities to Purchase

**PARTICIPATING SCHOOL DISTRICTS:  
 BAYFIELD, CORTEZ, MANCOS, IGNACIO,  
 AND DURANGO**

For additional information, contact Krista Garand, Food Service Director, Durango School District 9-R at 970-247-5411, ext. 1436 or kgarand@durango.k12.co.us