



Bobcats of the month



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These Ignacio Elementary School students were honored as Bobcats of the Month for January for their helpfulness, attitude in class and willingness to learn: Anthony Toledo, Dru Martinez and Lawrence Toledo.

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



After school 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

spark curiosity, ignite imagination, and power exploration

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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.

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

Southern Ute Education Department Southern Ute tribal students of the month

Introducing a special recognition program for the young and talented Southern Ute students attending Ignacio public schools! The Southern Ute Education staff is looking for you! We know you are there, and we want to recognize two students a month for all their hard work and kindness given to others. Check the Drum each month and listen to KSUT for the announcement of the next honored students as well as an interview. It could be you! Way to go! Pending the success of this new program, SUED may extend this recognition to other local school districts in the fall. Stay tuned!



Eric Bean

8th grade, Ignacio Junior High School
Parents: Jeremy and Annette Bean.
I feel math is my strongest subject in school. Eric is also interested in politics.
Eric's hobbies include football and on-line gaming. He has both an X-Box and a PS3.
"I want to be an auto mechanic when I grow up."
Teacher comment: Eric is a fine young man who is well deserving of this honor. The Southern Ute Education teachers enjoy having him participate in the various programs. We look forward to having him on many activities and trips this summer.



Destinee Lucero

11th grade, Ignacio High School
Parents: Leora and David Lucero.
I like participating in volleyball and soccer. I want to go to college.
I have been chosen as Southern Ute tribal student for the month of Jan. because of my actions in school, such as keeping my grades up and staying out of trouble.
"I would like to thank my mom and dad, and also my sister for always supporting me, through whatever I did. I love you guys so much."

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Education update

Education announces GED test dates

The Department of Education would like to announce the GED test dates for the upcoming months: Feb. 3, March 2 and April 6. 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.

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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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