

Call to Conference

25th Annual
Washington State Indian Education Association Conference
April 1 - 3, 2009

Quinault Beach Resort
78 State Route 115
Ocean Shores, Washington

Host Hotel: Quinault Beach Resort
360/289-9466

"Bridging the Past, Present & Future; 25 Years of WSIEA"



Also Featuring:

Workshops/Clock Hours/Culture Room/Merit Awards/Vendors/
Parent and Teacher Training Opportunities
And much, much more!!!

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Washington State Indian Education Association
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"Bridging the Past, Present & Future; 25 Years of WSIEA"

Please join the Washington State Indian Education Association at our 25th annual conference to be held at the Quinault Beach Resort, Ocean Shores, Washington, April 1-3, 2009.

Come gather, celebrate and support the on-going efforts to improve the quality of education for Native American/Alaska Native students in Washington State as well as commemorate our 25th anniversary.

This year's conference features prominent keynote speakers, informative workshops, cultural offerings, honoring and merit award presentations, as well as a great time to network and get great ideas from fantastic people doing incredible work around the state.

Don't miss the annual meeting for your opportunity to guide the organization in its mission.

Who Should Attend?

Educators, families, tribal education departments, early childhood educators, higher education, public/tribal/home schools, etc.

If you care about the education of Native children, we welcome your participation, involvement and input into this year's conference. See you at Ocean Shores!!

2008-09 WSIEA Board of Directors

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WSIEA Board Elections

WSIEA's Board of Directors consists of 12 Native members. Please check the agenda and note the place and times for nominations and balloting. Persons being nominated must be current members and present to accept a nomination. There will be one nominating session to nominate new board members. Upcoming vacancies include: 1st Vice Chair, 2nd Vice Chair, Treasurer, Higher Education Student Representative, Elder Representative/West, Elder Representative/East, and High School Representative.

Lodging Information

The **Quinault Beach Resort in Ocean Shores** has reserved a block of rooms specifically for our conference attendees at the special rate of \$99/night for ocean view rooms and \$89/night for wetland view plus tax (up to four persons per room at no extra charge). ***These will be held until March 2, 2009.*** Please call their **toll free reservation line at 1-888-461-2214** to make your reservation **being sure to mention the Washington State Indian Education Association Conference to receive our special rate.** Their address is 78 State Route 115, Ocean Shores, WA, 98569.

Culture Room:

We are excited to continue to offer the “Culture Room.” The purpose of this room is to provide a hands-on experience for educators to participate in culturally relevant activities within the Native American culture. Local Native Americans will be invited to be part of this interactive culture room. This may include Native American artists, elders, language teachers, and others. Artisans will set up a station to teach an activity to people attending the conference. Possible Native American activities: beading, carving, creating works of art with cedar, sewing regalia, drum making, jewelry making, painting, basket making, and others. If you would like to lead a craft session in the culture room, please contact Sally Brownfield (360/490-3820-cell or 360/725-6502-office; email sally.brownfield@k12.wa.us) who is coordinating this year’s culture room.

Vendors Welcome!!

Vendors are always a welcome addition to our annual conference as well as others wishing to host an information/education booth. The **“for profit” vendor’s fee is \$150 for all three days, and Educational/non-profit exhibits are \$100 for all three days.** All vendors are requested to donate one item for the WSIEA door prize drawings or silent auction. For more information on vending or to reserve a booth, contact either Simon Sampson at 509/901-1885 (cell) or ssam1848@aol.com; or Mary Wilber at 425/702-3402 or mwilber@lwsd.org. The conference vendor information and registration form is also attached as the last page of this packet. Spaces will be reserved on a first received/first served basis.

Elder's Hospitality Room

At this year's 25th anniversary WSIEA Conference, we are offering an "**Elder's Hospitality Room**" which will be available throughout the duration of the conference. This is a place for elders to gather, rest and visit between sessions. It will be set up with furniture, tables/chairs, and coffee/tea service along with light snacks. *Come check it out!*

As part of this year's theme, "Bridging the Past, Present and Future – 25 Years of WSIEA," we would encourage everyone to bring **copies** of WSIEA/Washington State pictures (please don't bring originals in case they are lost or damaged) of your families and friends, Tribal members, etc., taken before 2000 representing the "past" in Washington State Indian Education. It would be great if each picture could include a date the photo was taken, names of people in the photo, and a little about where the photo was taken or of what.

Clock Hours

Clock hours and CEUs will once again be offered for WSIEA Conference participants through the Northwest Indian College. Forms and additional information will be available on-site near the registration area.

Awards Banquet

WSIEA will once again conduct its awards banquet with this year's event taking place Thursday evening, April 2, beginning at 6 p.m. At that time WSIEA sponsored awards (additional information follows on page 6) will be announced and presented.

For more information about the conference email or call:

*Patricia Whitefoot, WSIEA President, pwhitefoot@toppenish.wednet.edu
or 509/865-8293*

*Joan Banker, OSPI Indian Education Office, joan.banker@k12.wa.us
or 360/725-6160*

*All WSIEA sanctioned functions and events at the 2009
conference are alcohol and drug-free.*

2008 WSIEA Recognition and Student Merit Awards!!!!

The Washington State Indian Education Association (WSIEA) takes an opportunity each year during their annual conference to acknowledge accomplishments of Native individuals who have contributed significantly to the education of Native people. These awards include:

- Indian Educator of the Year**
- Indian Elder of the Year**
- Outstanding Indian Parent of the Year**
- Higher Education Indian Student of the Year**
- High School Indian Student of the Year**

High School and Higher Education Merit Award: In addition to the aforementioned recognition awards, WSIEA also honors one high school and one higher education Native student to receive a monetary merit award (\$500 and \$800 respectively). Award recipients will be announced during the WSIEA Awards Banquet scheduled for Thursday evening, April 2, at the Quinault Beach Resort Hotel, Ocean Shores, Washington.

Please contact Joan Banker, Indian Education Office/OSPI, at 360/725-6160 or by e-mail (joan.banker@k12.wa) to receive nomination forms and guidelines for the recognition and/or student merit awards. All nominations need to be received on or before March 9, 2009 to allow sufficient time to notify the award recipient and have the award plaques prepared.

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March 31, '09	Time	Wed - April 1, 2009	Thurs - April 2, 2009	Fri - April 3, 2009
	6:30 am 7-8:00 7:00 7:00-9:00 8:00 9-12:00 10:15-10:30 10:30-11:40	Vendors can set up WSIEA Registration Power Breakfast Provided Vendor Area Open <u>1st General Session</u> -Presenting/Posting Colors -Traditional Opening -Welcome -Board members Introduction -Conference Overview B R E A K <i>Door Prize Drawing</i> Keynote Speaker: Dr. Michael Pavel, Washington State University, " <i>Addressing the Educational Achievement of Native Americans</i> "	Fun Run/Walk Registration Fun Run/Walk WSIEA Registration Power Breakfast Provided Vendor Area Open <u>3rd General Session</u> -Welcome/Announcements -Presentation TBD <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i> -Complete Board Elections <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i> B R E A K 2nd Concurrent Workshop Session/Culture Room Open	Information Area Reopen Power Breakfast Provided Vendor Area Open <u>4th General Session</u> <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i> -Presentation TBD B R E A K <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i> -WSIEA Board Election Results -WSIEA Business Meeting -Wrap Up -Traditional Closing
	12-1:30 12-5:00	HOSTED LUNCH	LUNCH ON YOUR OWN WSIEA Board Elections	
1:00 p WSIEA Board meets	1:45-3:15 3:15-3:30 3:30-5:00	1st Concurrent Workshop Session/Culture Room Opens B R E A K <u>2nd General Session</u> <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i> -WSIEA Board Election Process and Nominations -Resolutions <i>-Door Prize Drawing</i>	3rd Concurrent Workshop Session/Culture Room Open B R E A K 4th Concurrent Workshop Session/Culture Room Open	
	5:45 pm 6 p.m.		Doors open for WSIEA Awards Banquet Banquet Begins	

REGISTRATION FORM
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_____	Pre-registration (postmarked on or before 3/20/09)	\$175.00
_____	On-site registration (postmarked or received after 3/20/09)	\$200.00
_____	Native Elders (55+ years) Pre-registration	\$135.00
_____	Native Elders On-site	\$160.00
_____	Students/Student Track	\$ 70.00

We are unable to offer one-day registration this year.

Registration fees include WSIEA membership and voting privileges, conference information packets, workshop materials, the WSIEA luncheon on 4/1/09 and the WSIEA Awards Banquet on 4/2/09.

No refunds can be made for cancellations after 3/20/09.

To purchase extra luncheon tickets, please include an additional \$20.00 per ticket required. Extra banquet tickets are \$35.00 per ticket.

_____ # Extra Luncheon tickets X \$ _____ = (\$ _____) Payment Included

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_____ Please check here if you require a vegetarian menu.

_____ Other dietary needs (please specify): _____

PRE-REGISTER BY MARCH 20, 2009 FOR EASY ON-SITE CHECK IN!!

Please submit one registration form for each person attending.

NAME _____

PROGRAM/SCHOOL/TRIBE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ZIP _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Payment Method Check # _____ PO# _____ Money Order # _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ (Make payment to WSIEA)

Please mail completed form with payment to:

Judy Duff, WSIEA Treasurer
Broadway School
1410 8th Avenue
Longview WA 98632-3807
Phone: 360/575-7437
Fax: 360/575-7456
jduff@longview.k12.wa.us

If questions arise, please call Judy Duff at 360/575-7437 or Joan Banker, OSPI Indian Education Office, at 360/725-6160 (e-mail: joan.banker@k12.wa.us).

VENDOR TABLE REGISTRATION
WASHINGTON STATE INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
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FOR PROFIT VENDOR TABLE FEE: \$150 for 3 days
NON-PROFIT/EDUCATIONAL TABLE FEE: \$100 for 3 days

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: *Washington State Indian
Education Association*

CONTACT/RETURN FORMS TO: Simon Sampson
512 South Alder Street
Toppenish WA 98948
509/901-1885 (cellphone)
Ssam1848@aol.com

ADDITIONAL CONTACT: Mary Wilber
425/702-3402
mwilber@lwsd.org

SET UP TIME: 7:00 a.m., April 1

Name: _____

Name of organization/vendor: _____

Address: _____

Telephone/fax number: _____

The vendor fee includes one 6 foot table/chairs, and additional tables are available for \$_____.

Number of extra tables requested: _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Vendors are welcome to bring their own extra tables, clothing racks, etc., however they must fit within their allotted area.

Describe type of exhibit: _____

Please let us know if you will have audiovisual equipment or other equipment so your table(s) can be placed near electrical outlets. Also, let us know if you will need space for floor displays next to or behind reserved tables so appropriate arrangements can be made. **Vendors are responsible for supplying their own equipment.** For profit vendors are also requested to donate one item for the WSIEA merit award raffle.