



Isleta Pueblo News

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GOVERNOR'S REPORT

Happy New Year's to all! I wish the community many blessings in the new year. I also hope you had a lovely holiday season to enjoy Christmas with your families and friends as well as our Christmas dances.

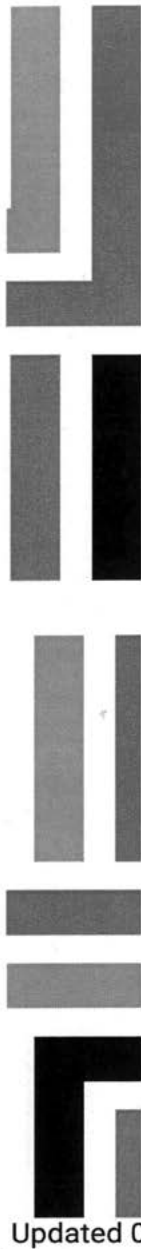
I would like to Congratulate my First Lieutenant, Eugene Jiron, on his recent election victory to serve as the Governor of Isleta for the next two years. I know that he will carry the community towards a better future along with his lieutenants. I would also like to thank all of the POI departments for doing a great job over the last two years. And last, thank you to the Tribal Council for your support.

I also want to thank the community for their support and prayers for the illness that is affecting me. I hope and pray nobody goes through this medical situation that has befallen on me. I hope that when I am better, that I will meet my community again.

I would like to share my condolences to the families that have recently lost their loved ones in the month of December.

HaWuh,

Governor Max Zuni
Pueblo of Isleta



Updated 06/27/22



"Strengthening our Tiwa Language"

**PUEBLO OF ISLETA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
& TIWA LANGUAGE PROGRAM**

ARE SEEKING

TIWA SPEAKERS

who are willing to help our community learn Tiwa by providing in person and virtual language instruction.

(Support with technology will be provided.)

Those interested must

- **Be able to commit to providing a minimum of 4 hours to a maximum of 12 hours, per week**
- **Demonstrate an openness to learn new teaching techniques**
- **Open to constructive feedback**
- **Follow and encourage the Tiwa Teacher Norms and Tiwa Learner Norms**
- **Service Providers will be expected to successfully pass a background check and COVID-testing.**

Open until filled, Interested community members can apply via Formstack:

https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/language_consultants

or using the QR code

or by calling Department of Education
@ 505-869-9790.



APPLY NOVEMBER 1ST

GRADES 7-12

GRADES 7-12

HOME OF THE BRAVES & LADY BRAVES!

We want you to be part of the Santa Fe Indian School Family! The Santa Fe Indian School 25-26 Admission Application is available on our website until February 1, 2025. Applications are welcome from future Braves and Lady Braves who will be entering grades 7-12 in the 25-26 school year.

SFIS provides students with a strong educational foundation, excellent student support, and a nurturing environment that honors the cultural and traditional beliefs of our students. We prepare our students with "the skills to pursue the education or careers that will benefit them, their families, and their people." Our Student Living Program provides residential living for our middle and high school students in suite-style dorms. Our staff nurture our students by providing a safe, healthy, and comfortable living environment focused on supporting our students' development as individuals and members of their home communities. The SFIS Athletic Program hosts 13 High School Varsity sports, as well as a variety of sub varsity sports, and 10 Middle School programs. SFIS is a full member of the NMAA (New Mexico Activities Association) and is highly competitive in district 2-3A.

Inquiries are welcome. Contact the SFIS Office of Admissions at (505) 989-6370 or admissions@sfis.k12.nm.us. Information regarding the application dates and process can be accessed on our website, www.sfis.k12.nm.us/admissions/apply-now

Tai Chi for Arthritis & Fall Prevention

Join Cindy for a **FREE, 16-session, evidence-based program that uses gentle movements from Sun Style Tai Chi to**

- improve balance
- ease joint pain
- leave you feeling calm, relaxed, and well



Class can be done sitting or standing!

Los Padillas Community Center
(2117 Los Padillas Rd SW)

OR

Virtually on ZOOM

Tuesdays, Jan 7 to Apr 22
9:15am-10:15am

Reserve your space today!
Call (505) 884-4529



Goodwill

Goodwill Goodjobs! Serving Albuquerque south valley/Isleta Pueblo, and Valencia County

We offer individual free assistance with job search, interview skills, and resume assistance.

Contact : Vicki Herring
Career Specialist at
505-944-0289

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Career Specialist

Goodwill Industries of New Mexico



vherring@goodwillnm.org
505-944-0289 or 505-881-6401 x4097
201 Desert Willow Rd, Los Lunas, NM 87031
www.Goodwillit.org

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

DDEADLINE for February Newsletter articles is set for Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at 4:30 pm. Articles may be dropped off at the Library or emailed to Nathaniel.Lujan@isletapueblo.com. Should you email your article, expect a confirmation email. If you do not receive a confirmation email, odds are it never made it to me and then it's time to panic, so call Nate at 505.869.9808.

People who wish to submit an article or flyer are responsible for generating their own article or flyer. Should you need help, please call the Library at 505.869.9808 and set up a date and time to sit down with a Library staff member who will help you throughout the process. The Library will NOT accept notes dropped off at the Library or information over the phone to generate your article.

PROBATES need to be published in the Newsletter for two consecutive months. Probates are considered court documents, therefore, all submitters must provide: 1) Name of Deceased, 2) Date of Deceased 3) Court Case # and 4) Date of Court Date. A Probate form can be found on the Newsletter Archive page at <http://www.isletapueblo.com/newsletters.html>.

CLASSIFIED ADS: The new administration has requested that the Newsletter start a Classified Ad section for Tribal members selling land, houses, mobile homes, vehicles, and farm equipment. Leasing of houses and mobile homes will be accepted. Smaller items which can be sold at the local flea markets or weekly yard sales will NOT be accepted.

Currently, this service is FREE to Tribal members. Land, houses, and mobile homes must be within the reservation boundaries. Ads must meet the 160 character limit. Ads that exceed the 160 characters will NOT be submitted into the Newsletter. A single picture may be submitted with the ad. Submitters of classified ads are responsible for generating their own ads as this is a FREE service.

As a reminder, Tribal business owners may submit a small flyer at no charge. Like the classified ads, business owners are responsible for generating their own flyers as this is a FREE service.

Classified ads and business flyers will be posted no more than two consecutive months. In the event where the Newsletter may exceed the 24-page limit, classified ads and business flyers will be "bumped" for newsletter articles. Again, this is a FREE service for Tribal members.

The Isleta Newsletter is owned and operated by the Pueblo of Isleta. Therefore, the Governor of the Pueblo of Isleta has the final say of all articles and contents within the Isleta Newsletter.

For additional questions, you may call the Library and speak with Nate or Diane at 505.869.9808.

Thank you,
Nathaniel Lujan

Newsletters may be found at the fifteen distribution locations listed below. Remember, Digital copies of the Newsletter may be obtained from the Newsletter archive at <http://www.isletapueblo.com/newsletters.html>

The fifteen Newsletter distribution locations are:

1. TR 2 & TR 22 - Chical SE of Community Hall
2. TR 10 - Behind the old 47 Sales
3. TR 1 & TR 5 – Ranchitos / Bosque Farms Reservations Line
4. Ranchitos Park
5. Post Office - Big Tree
6. TR 82 & TR 84 - Teller Road
7. TR 78 & TR 82 - Carlos Trujillo Sr.
8. TR 90 @ Y - CF Padilla
9. Mouse Town Park –
10. Health Center – South end of Health Center Parking lot
11. Library Sunlight & Moonlight Intersection
12. TR 6 - 47 Intersection
13. TR 12 - 47 & 147 intersection (Old Smoke & Save)
14. TR 71 & TR 54 @ Y - Holiday Robot / Paved Road / Railroad Tracks
15. TR 45 & TR 40 @ Y - Tata Mel (POI Signage)



PROBATES

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. CV-PR-0107-2024
Jose Antonio Lucero

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **Jose Antonio Lucero**, deceased **05/05/2023**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **Wednesday, January 08, 2025 at 9:00 am** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. CV-PR-0113-2023
David Michael Jaramillo

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **David Michael Jaramillo**, deceased **05/05/2023**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **TBD at TBD** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. CV-PR-0128-2024
Mary Louise Pauline Lucero- Ruiz

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **Mary Louise Pauline Lucero-Ruiz**, deceased **11/09/2011**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **TBD at TBD** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. CV-PR-0130-2024
Shirley Ann Ashley

First Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **Shirley Ann Ashley**, deceased **09/10/2024**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **TBD at TBD** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. 16-PRO-00063
Anna Marie Aragon

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **Anna Marie Aragon**, deceased **01/28/2016**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **TBD at TBD** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: Case No. CV-PR-0123-2024
Andrea Maria Jiron

Second Notice

TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with notice requirements, a Petition to Probate the Estate of **Andrea Maria Jiron**, deceased **01/08/1996**, has been filed in the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court. Any person claiming an interest in the Estate is hereby advised to notify the Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Court Clerk in writing within thirty (30) days of this notice being posted. Claims must be filed in writing. A hearing in this matter has been scheduled for **TBD at TBD** at the Isleta Tribal Court, located at the Tribal Services Complex, 3950 Hwy. 47 SE, Building A, Albuquerque, NM. If you have any questions, please contact the Isleta Tribal Court at (505) 869-9699.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

IT'S COLD OUT THERE

Colder temperatures are here – it's time to protect your plumbing from the freezing temperatures. Sewer piping can freeze – especially underneath a modular home. Take time now to check your piping – both water and sewer lines. Any exposed water or sewer pipe should be protected with heat tape, insulation, or other means to help prevent the pipes from freezing. If you have a modular home, please ensure the skirting is in good condition and if there is no skirting, do what you can to protect the underside of the house from the cold.

Swamp coolers should be properly winterized. The water supply line should be removed from the spigot or frost-free and drained. Frost-frees should not be left in the open position; remove any hoses from the frost-free and close the frost-free. When left open, the frost-free cannot drain the water that is inside the unit. The frost-free is designed to drain itself when the handle is put in the closed position, which should prevent freezing.

Check the toilets in your home for leaks. A faulty flapper unit will allow water to continually flow through the toilet and right down the drain. If the home is on a septic system, the excessive water will saturate the leach field causing it to fail. If your home is on the main sewer service, the treatment facility will have to “clean” up the wasted water.

Check all the fixtures for leaks. Leaking showers, tubs, sinks, and toilets will waste water. Make repairs to leaking fixtures to conserve water, which is a precious resource. If you need help making repairs, contact Housing at 505-869-4153.

Public Works no longer has funding available to assist Tribal Members with repairs for services such as sewer back-ups, and water leaks on your service line or inside the home. The previous Tribal Council did not approve funding for services. We are hoping this will change in the future but as of right now, these services are not being provided.

Homeowners should know where the main shut-off is to their residence. Most homes have a main interior shut-off valve and everyone in the home should know where it is located. In the event of a water leak inside the home, shutting off the water quickly will prevent additional damage from occurring. Toilets and sinks should have isolation valves going directly to the fixture. Have you ever tested these isolation valves to ensure they work? It is much more convenient to shut off the fixture's isolation valve and not the entire home to make repairs.

Each residence should also have an exterior water shut-off. Locating this shut-off can be challenging. Housing employees may not know exactly where the shut-off's location is for every property on the Pueblo. Locating your exterior shut-off should be done now while it is not an emergency. Placing a marker of some type near the shut-off will save time in the event you have an emergency and need the water shut off as soon as possible. It takes time for a crew to be dispatched to assist you, especially after normal working hours. The employees need to get to the yard to get a work truck, drive to your location, and then begin searching for the shut-off device. All of which takes time. Meanwhile, water could be leaking inside your home causing additional damage.

Be prepared and protect your piping from the cold. Check the isolation valves at each fixture; and know how to turn off your water in an emergency. Locate and mark your exterior water shut-off - keeping in mind there could be snow on the ground.

If you have any questions, please call the Public Works office at 505-869-5170.

TRASH TALK ISLETA!

DON'T CONTAMINATE
RECYCLE BETTER
KEEP ISLETA BEAUTIFUL!

PUEBLO OF ISLETA
SOLID WASTE
 DIVISION




Keep it simple, if you do not see it on this flier throw it away in the trash. Do not use your blue recycle cart for trash or it will be confiscated. Have your cart out by 7am. For service schedule announcements check the POI newsletter & POI Facebook. (505) 869-4106

Your recyclables do not need to be bagged, however it is highly recommended to bag your recyclables for curbside pickup during windy season. This is to reduce the chance of creating litter due to winds. If you choose to bag your recyclables it is important to use clear bags only. Colored bags are not accepted at the recycling facility. When your recyclables are bagged in colored bags they are not opened up and your material is landfilled instead of recycled. Using clear bags helps to ensure the health and safety of the line workers who come in contact with the material when sorting at the recycle facility. Using colored bags will result in your recycles not being collected. This is important to sustain the recycle program moving forward. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

TRASH TALK ISLETA!



TRANSFER STATION HOURS

The Transfer Station is open Monday through Friday 7AM - 4:30PM.
 Saturday and Sunday hours are 7AM - 3PM.
 The Transfer Station is closed on Tribal & Federal Holidays.
 The last large load is accepted 15 minutes before closing time.
 For your safety we may close due to high winds.
 For use of tribal members only, must have a tribal member present when utilizing the facility.
 For curbside service schedule announcements check the POI newsletter, POI Facebook & POI text message system.

KEEP ISLETA BEAUTIFUL! (505)869-4106



Job Postings

Visit us online at <http://www.isleta.com/career-opportunities.aspx>
 Fax: 505-244-8232

MAIN BANKER Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/12/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	TABLE GAMES FLOOR SUPERVISOR Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/12/2024 Level: Non-Exempt
CUSTODIAN Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/12/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	HDCT Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/11/2024 Level: Non-Exempt
NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/10/2024 Level: Exempt	SYSTEMS ANALYST Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/10/2024 Level: Exempt
RETAIL ATTENDANT Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/09/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	LAUNDRY ATTENDANT Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Level: Non-Exempt
BAKER I Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	PLAYERS CLUB REPRESENTATIVE Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Level: Non-Exempt
SECURITY OFFICER I Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Job Family: N/A Level: Non-Exempt	SECURITY OFFICER II Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Level: Non-Exempt
CAGE CASHIER Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	PLAYERS CLUB SUPERVISOR Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/06/2024 Job Family: N/A Level: Non-Exempt
COUNT MEMBER Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/05/2024 Level: Non-Exempt	SUPERVISOR F & B (Beverage) Location: Albuquerque, NM Publish Date: 12/05/2024 Level: Non-Exempt

Pueblo of Isleta Career Opportunities

Position Posting	Office Location	Closing Date
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	Police Department	Open Until Filled
ARCHIVIST	Cultural & Historic Preservation	Open Until Filled
ASSISTANT AQUATIC COORDINATOR	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL I	Legal	Open Until Filled
COOK I	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
COOK I	Head Start	Open Until Filled
DIRECTOR, HUMAN RESOURCES	Human Resources	Open Until Filled
EMT BASIC (3 Positions)	Health Services	Open Until Filled
EMT - INTERMEDIATE (2 Positions)	Health Services	Open Until Filled
GROUNDS MAINTENANCE WORKER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATOR	Department of Education	Open Until Filled
HOME CARE ATTENDANT	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
IRRIGATION TECH	Agricultural Division	Open Until Filled
IRRIGATION & LANDSCAPE TECHNICIAN	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
LIFEGUARD	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
LIFEGUARD ASSISTANT	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN I, II or III	Public Works	Open Until Filled
MULTIMEDIA SPECIALIST	Department of Education	Open Until Filled
NURSE PRACTITIONER	Health Services	Open Until Filled
PARKS MAINTENANCE WORKER	Parks & Recreation	Open Until Filled
PERSONAL CARE SERVICE AIDE	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
PHYSICAL THERAPIST	Health Services	Open Until Filled
PLUMBER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
POLICE OFFICER I	Police Department	Open Until Filled
POLICE OFFICER II	Police Department	Open Until Filled
RANGELAND DATA MONITOR	Natural Resources	Open Until Filled
ROADWAY MAINTENANCE WORKER II	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled
STATE-TRIBAL CHILD WELFARE ATTORNEY	Legal	Open Until Filled
STATE-TRIBAL IFPA COORDINATOR	Social Services	Open Until Filled
TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER	Transportation Services	Open Until Filled
TRUANCY COORDINATOR	Truancy	Open Until Filled
UTILITY WORKER	Public Works	Open Until Filled
VETERAN SUPPORT SERVICE	Elder Center	Open Until Filled
WATER/WWTP OPERATOR I-IV	Public Works	Open Until Filled

Yazzie's Mobile Repair (505)546-3019

Servicing all car/truck repair needs



Hello, my name is Donavon Yazzie. I would like to reach out to the community/public for your vehicle repair services at an affordable price. All pricing may vary, depending on the repair and job. I am always willing to go to your location and take a look on the repair and provide you with an estimate. If you are in need of vehicle service repair please contact me at (505)-546-3019 and/or by Email at YazziesMobileRepair@gmail.com.

You may also follow me on Facebook at Yazzies Mobile Repair. Thank you in advance.

Transit Services Now Serving the Pueblo of Isleta

The Pueblo of Isleta and the Rio Metro Regional Transit District Working Together



Bus Route 208 (No Fares until further notice!)

Bus Route 208 connects the Pueblo of Isleta and Valencia County communities to the Alvarado Transportation Center (ATC) in Downtown Albuquerque during the morning/midday when the Rail Runner does not operate. Route 208 features three northbound trips arriving at the ATC at 9:30am, 11:00am and 1:30pm, and three southbound trips departing the ATC at 9:35am, 11:05am and 1:32pm. At the ATC, riders can transfer to ABQ RIDE bus routes.

Route 208 serves two bus stops on the Pueblo of Isleta. The stop closest to the village proper is located on NM 147 just east of the Rio Grande Bridge. Please do not park and leave vehicles unattended on the adjoining roads near this stop, as the bus and other vehicles use these roads to turnaround and access other locations.

Route 208 also stops at the Isleta Pueblo Rail Runner Station, where riders can transfer to the Isleta Resort and Casino shuttle. Because the bus serves the station, riders can also consider using Route 208 in combination with the Rail Runner, for example, taking the bus to Downtown Albuquerque in the mid morning and returning by train in the evening.



Please see route flyer that includes map, times of Bus Route 208. (No Fares until further notice!)

Pueblo of Isleta Dial-a-Ride (No Fares until further notice!)

The Pueblo of Isleta Dial-a-Ride operates Monday through Friday from 8:15am to 2:45pm, providing trips within the Pueblo and to the ABQ RIDE Route 53 bus stop on NM 314. Service to places like Smiths, Albertsons and Wal-Mart in Los Lunas is also provided with requests made before noon at least one business day prior to your trip.

Request your Dial-a-Ride trip by calling Valencia County dispatch at (505) 352-3595 before noon at least one business day prior to your trip. Requests are accepted between 5:00am and 3:00pm Monday thru Friday. On the date and time of your trip, a wheelchair accessible van will arrive within 15 minutes of your scheduled pickup time. Trips may also be grouped together; riders should



expect to travel with others.

For more information about both services, including a copy of the Route 208 schedule, visit riometro.org and select "Schedules"> "Bus"> "Pueblo of Isleta" from the grey bar near the top of the website. Schedules for Route 208 are also available at the Public Services Department Office at the Tribal Services Complex.

About Route 208

Bus route 208 provides three northbound and three southbound trips morning/midday between Valencia County, the Pueblo of Isleta, and Downtown Albuquerque when the Rail Runner does not operate. Riders are encouraged to use Route 208 in combination with the Rail Runner, for example, by taking the bus to Downtown Albuquerque midday and returning by train in the evening. Weekdays only.

ADA Accessible

All of our buses and trains are ADA compliant and are equipped with wheelchair lifts or ramps.

Title VI / Non-Discrimination Notice

The Rio Metro Regional Transit District is committed to its Title VI obligations. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color or national origin in the delivery of service. To obtain more information on our non-discrimination obligations or to file a Title VI complaint, contact us at 808 Copper Ave. NW, ABQ, NM 87102.

El Distrito de Tránsito Regional de Rio Metro cumple con las obligaciones del Título VI. no discriminamos por raza, color ni origen nacional al brindar nuestros servicios. Para obtener más información sobre nuestros deberes antidiscriminatorios o para presentar un reclamo del Título VI, contáctenos en 808 Copper Ave. NW, ABQ, NM 87102.

Contact Information / Información de contacto

NM Rail Runner 866.795.RAIL (7245) www.riometro.org	NM Park & Ride 866.551.RIDE (7433) www.nmparkandride.com
Rio Metro Valencia 505.352.3595 www.riometro.org	North Central RTD 888.208.0754 www.nctrtd.org
Rio Metro Sandoval 877.660.1110 www.riometro.org	Santa Fe Trails 505.895.2001 www.santafetrails.gov
ABQ RIDE 505.243.RIDE (7433) www.abq.gov/transit	Socorro Public Transportation 575.835.1501 www.socorronm.gov

Midday Express 208
Downtown Albuquerque
Pueblo of Isleta
Valencia County

Schedule Effective June 3, 2020
Horario efectivo a partir del 3 de junio del 2020

RIO METRO
REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
866.795.7345 • riometro.org

Monday through Friday / lunes a viernes

Downtown Albuquerque, Pueblo of Isleta, Valencia County

208

Each color on the route map represents a fare zone.
Cada color en el mapa representa una zona de tarifa.

Fares/ Tarifas

Full Fare - One Way (\$1 per. zone)
tarifa completa - un solo sentido

Reduced Fare - One Way (\$.50 per. zone)
tarifa de descuento - un solo sentido

Full Fare - Monthly Pass (\$30)
tarifa completa - boleto para el mes

Reduced Fare - Monthly Pass (\$15)
tarifa de descuento - boleto para el mes

Reduced fares are available to:

- Youth ages 10-17
- Students with a valid Student ID
- Seniors age 62+
- Medicare card holders
- People with disabilities who show:
 - An NM Motor Vehicle Department notification
 - A letter from doctor indicating the disability (with exp. date)
 - An ABO RIDE Honored Citizen Card
 - A Santa Fe Ride Card or Santa Fe Trails Half Fare Card
 - A Disabled/Veteran ID card

Tarifas de descuento aplica a:

- Edades juveniles 10-17
- Estudiantes con un ID valido de estudiante
- Mayores de 62 años
- Titulares de tarjetas Medicare
- Personas con discapacidades que muestren:
 - Una notificación del Departamento de Vehículos Motorizados NM
 - Una carta de un medico que indique la discapacidad (con fecha de finalización)
 - Una Tarjeta de Ciudadano Honrado ABO RIDE
 - Una Tarjeta de Viaje de Santa Fe o una Tarjeta de Media Tarifa de Santa Fe Trails
 - Una tarjeta de ID de Veterano Discapacitado

FREE FARES / TARIFA GRATIS
Children 9 and under | Niños 9 años y menores

Active Duty Military & Veterans
Accepted IDs include a VHC or VA medical card, a veteran's ID (VIC card), a driver's license with a veteran's designation, Department of Defense Active Duty & Dependent Military IDs, and the NMRX Freedom Pass.

Servicio de veteranos y militares activos
Las identificaciones aceptadas son la tarjeta médica VA o VHC, una identificación de veteranos (VIC), una licencia de conducir con una designación de veterano, el departamento de defensa de identificación militares activos y dependientes, y la tarjeta de libertad del Rail Runner.

Legend / Leyenda

- Bus Route Zone 1
- Bus Route Zone 2
- River
- Major Cross Streets
- TimePoint Bus Stop
- Linepoint Bus Stop
- RioMetro
- NMRX New Mexico Rail Runner Express
- Traumar Points / puntos de transferencia
 - NMRX, RM209, Rt.1210
 - RM208, RM210
 - Rt.1210
 - RM210

Map Details:

Northbound (Hacia el centro de Albuquerque):

8:20A	8:39A	9:01A	9:10A	9:30A
9:50	10:09	10:31	10:40	11:00
12:20P	12:39P	1:01P	1:10P	1:30P

Southbound (Hacia el sur desde el centro de Albuquerque):

9:35A	9:52A	10:00A	10:22A	10:43A
11:05	11:22	11:30	11:52	12:13P
1:32 P	1:49P	1:57P	2:19P	2:40

Map Locations:

- Belen Rail Runner Station (Zone 1)
- Los Lunas Rail Runner Station (Zone 2)
- NM 147 east of Rio Grande Bridge (Zone 3)
- Isleta Pueblo Rail Runner Station (Zone 4)
- Alvarado Transportation Center (Zone 5)
- NM 47 & Esperanza Rd. (Bosque Farms)
- NM 47 & Molina Rd. (Peralta)
- NM 6 & NM 47
- Los Lunas Rail Runner Station
- Belen Rail Runner Station

January 2025 Newsletter

Pueblo of Isleta Department of Education Team
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2025

HAPPY NEW YEAR

As we embark on a new year, the Department of Education is excited to support your journey and help you achieve your goals! It's incredible to think that 2025 marks a quarter-century of dedication to education. Together, we can make this year even more impactful.

We believe that positive change and healthy habits can transform our lives. Whether your goal is academic, personal, or professional, we're here to assist you in every step.

Let's work together to elevate education in our community, state, and nation. While systemic challenges exist, we can all play a role in creating positive changes. By reflecting on our own experiences and taking advantage of the resources available, we can maximize our educational journey. Our department offers a variety of programs and opportunities to support you. Please explore the information below and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Who are you, who do you want to be, and what are you working toward? Limiting the control social media may have on you!

Based on an article from the American Psychological Association on April 1, 2024, the average number of hours teens spend on social media apps is approximately 4.8 hours per day. "YouTube, TikTok, and Instagram account for 87% of their social media time."

On October 1, the Standing Rock tribe filed a complaint charging social media companies "with being a public nuisance, negligence and deceptive practices." (Standing Rock Tribe is latest to sue social media companies for alleged mental health effects, By: John Hult - October 3, 2024). The article indicates that there are a large number of youth in the Standing Rock community who are anxious, depressed, or suicidal.

We understand that the Standing Rock tribe is not alone, with similar lawsuits from the Fond du Lac Tribe in Minnesota, Spirit Lake Nation in North Dakota, and the Menominee Tribe in Wisconsin to name a few. In September 2024, the New Mexico Attorney General filed a lawsuit against Snapchat indicating there are not enough safety controls to ensure the safety of young people.

Our community does not remain unaffected by technology and the unlimited access it provides. Social media provides a space where you can connect and share with many beyond your imagination. Have you ever been at the dinner table with a phone vibrating or beeping while you are trying to have a conversation? Many find it challenging to put the phone aside for even a few minutes feeling that they must immediately react to the recent chat, text, or social media post.

The recent lawsuits by tribes highlight the urgent need to address the negative consequences of excessive social media use.

As we move into the new year, reflect on your own usage of social media and the amount of time you spend using different applications. Social media is very influential and can significantly impact the daily lives of those who use it. Be mindful of how you let social media drive your decisions, don't let social media define you!



How Can We Protect Ourselves?

As individuals, we can take steps to mitigate the harmful effects of social media:



Mindful Usage:

Be aware of the time you spend on social media and set limits. Make it a point to turn off or silence your phone at certain times of the day, especially when you are with others – show them you are respectful and present.

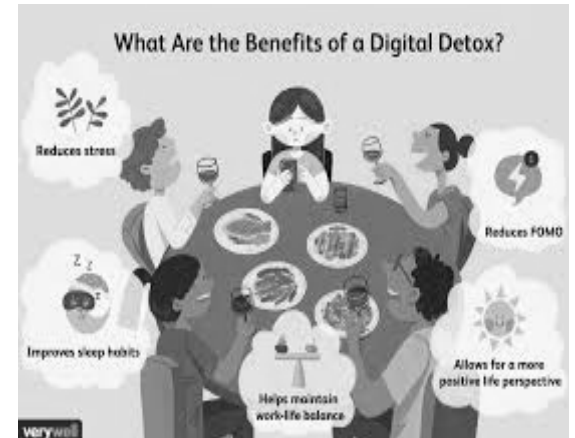


Critical Thinking:

Question the authenticity of information and avoid comparing yourself to others. Filters are often used in many social media posts, do not compare yourself to what's online. Focus on setting some healthy goals for yourself, where do you want to be in the next five years?

Digital Detox:

Regularly disconnect from technology to recharge and reduce stress. Take a walk outside, play with your younger relatives, spend time with animals, or just simply breathe in the outdoor air and take time to relax and reflect.



Healthy Relationships:

Prioritize real-life connections and limit virtual interactions. Visit your relatives, and ask them to share stories about their childhood. Make a meal together or help them with some daily chores.

Seek Support:



If you or someone you know is struggling with mental health issues, reach out to a trusted friend, family member, or mental health professional. There are many people in the community you can reach out to, don't hesitate to ask for help.

Mental Health Resources from We R Native (wernative.org/resources). Please note, We R Native is NOT monitored 24/7. If you need immediate help with grief, anxiety, stress, or sadness, please text NATIVE to 741 741. The [Crisis Text Line](#) will connect you with a free Crisis Counselor with 24/7 support. You can also dial or text 988 from any phone for free mental health support 24/7.

- Suicide and Crisis Lifeline
 - o Dial or text 988 for free 24/7 support | 988lifeline.org
- Crisis Text Line
 - o Text NATIVE to 741741 | crisistextline.org | For free crisis counseling 24/7
- Mental Health America
 - o Contact 1-800-969-6642 | Text MHA to 741741 | mhanational.org
- Teens Helping Teens
 - o Contact 1-800-852-8336 | Text YLNATIVE to 839 863 | theyouthline.org

- We R Native Caring Messages – to remind you how awesome you are!
 - Text CARING to 65664 | Text COLLEGE to 65664 | wernative.org/my-mind
- Boys Town Suicide and Crisis Line
 - Contact 800-448-3000 or 800-448-1833 (TDD) | Text VOICE to 20121 | BoysTown.org/hotline
- Teen Line
 - Contact (310)855-HOPE | TeenLineOnline.org
- Reach Out
 - ReachOut.com

Let's work together to create a healthier digital environment where technology enhances our lives, rather than hinders them. Remember, you are more than your social media feed. Your worth is not determined by likes, comments, or followers.

Tutoring of Other Supports

The tutoring program aims to support students in achieving academic success by providing one-on-one sessions. This semester math proved a popular subject for requested help. This ranges from math fundamentals up to algebra. This semester the Los Lunas Public School District has provided a credit recovery teacher. This specialized teacher will allow students to move more effectively and faster through their credit recovery. This unique opportunity supports students in graduating on time. The credit recovery teacher assists students from Los Lunas High School, Valencia High School, and Century High School. This program has created a larger high school audience within the tutoring program as shown by the **50.2%** of attendees being a high school student. The tutoring program has also offered support for Adult Education. If you or anyone you know is looking to earn their **GED or HiSet** the tutoring program is certainly able to help you achieve your goals. The month of October tends to be the month with higher attendance. Grading periods surround the month of October. October starts immediately after the first grading period has ended and the second grading period ends with October.

The Department is immensely proud of the dedication and resilience demonstrated by students this semester. Education is a shared journey, and our community's commitment to sharing in this journey is inspiring. As students return from break, the Department encourages everyone to take time to recharge and reflect on the incredible progress that has been made. Our wish is to continue to build momentum in the coming year.

From the Department of Education Academic Success Program

High School Students

Hope you all had a great holiday season! A new year means a new grading period with a fresh start and new opportunities to maintain good grades. The Department of Education has various ways to help you succeed in high school. It is all up to you to take advantage of the opportunities that are available, such as after-school tutoring, homework help, meeting with students and parent(s), and helping you advocate for yourself while in high school.

Attention **Los Lunas School District** parents, as the 1st semester grading period concluded in December it is important that you check your parent portal as report cards will not be sent out. If you don't have a parent portal and need to sign up, we can help you. You can also call the school and request your child's report card. If we have a release of information on file, we can request grades as well. If your student has failed a core class, credit recovery is available for your student to make up the grade. Credit recovery is a fee of \$50.00 and is reimbursable from the Johnson – O'Malley program. Signups are done

Be the change you wish to see in the digital world. We hope that each day you can take another step towards your plans and goals. You can do it! The Department of Education is here to support you in your academic and language goals. Together we can create a healthier community!

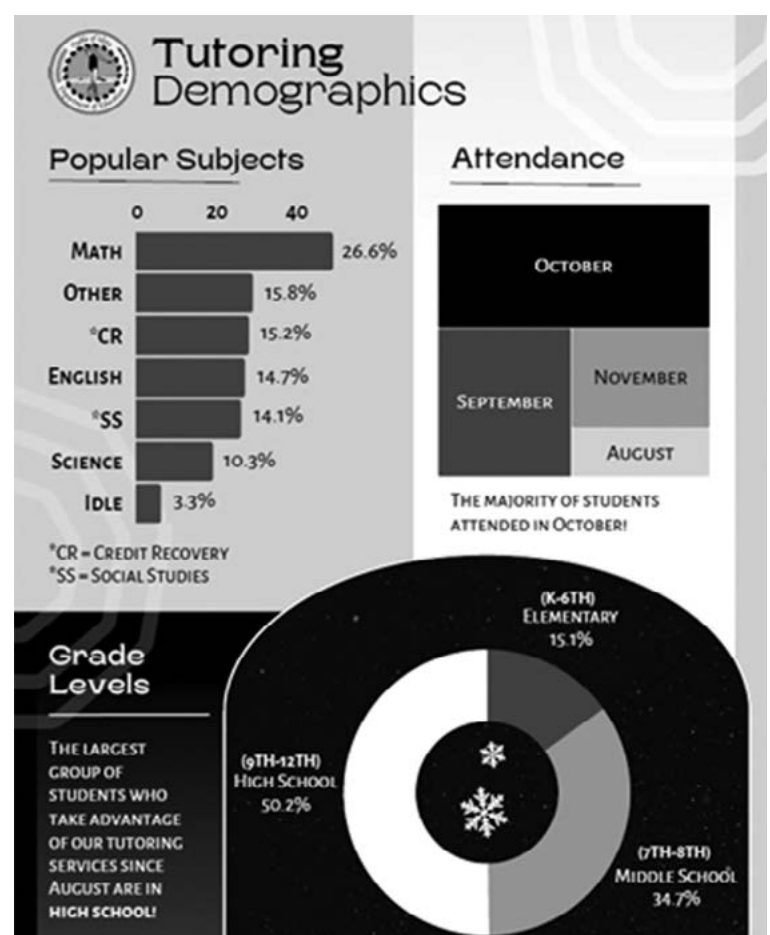
Department of Education Team

Winter Wonderland

Joy and togetherness filled the atmosphere. Family Night: A Winter Wonderland embodied the incredible spirit of our community. Sparkling lights and heartfelt laughter created unforgettable memories for community members of all ages. The Chical Reception Hall was bustling with community members excited to celebrate the magic of the Christmas season. Students enjoyed craft stations where they were able to create ornaments, superb wooly winter animals, and festive decorations. A

highlight of the evening was when Santa appeared. Santa listened attentively to the children's Christmas wishes. Students and families were able to enjoy an array of activities and crafts. There was also the opportunity to learn about support services that will prove beneficial. From the festive decorations to the delightful activities every detail was thoughtfully curated to create a sense of awe and wonder and create lasting memories for our community members.

The Department would like to extend the warmest sense of gratitude to all the volunteers and partners. We would also like to extend a big thank you to Pueblo of Isleta Department: Truancy, Police, Solid Waste, Behavioral Health, and Natural Resources. Your dedication and enthusiasm brought the community together in the most wonderful way.



through the high school, after school, or through the Department of Education. If your student has failed an elective course, they can only make those up the following year within their daily schedule.

Albuquerque School District parents' 1st semester grading period ended as well in December. Please log on to Parent Vue to check your student's grades. Parent Vue also has an App that can be downloaded, if you currently do not have the app and would like our assistance, please reach out to our office. If your student has failed a class this semester, please reach out to your school for their options on how your student can make up the class. If there is a fee for your student to make up the class, that can be reimbursed from the Johnson – O'Malley program.

January also means that all of you graduating seniors only have 5 more months of high school experience. Let's make these last few months a memorable one, but also a successful one. If you are planning on continuing your education the Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now open. Any students who wish to continue

their education and get funding from the Pueblo of Isleta must fill out this federal application as one of the requirements. This application can be found at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. If you are need assistance with this form, you may reach out to the Department of Education and we can assist you.

Upcoming Event:

- Senior Parent meeting **Thursday, January 9, 2025**. We will have two options for this event **Option 1:** 1:00 pm Hybrid (In-person @ Department of Education Computer Lab & online (see flyer for zoom code). **Option 2:** 6:00 pm Chical Reception Hall
- Celebrating Student Success Week: The week of **Tuesday, January 20th thru Friday, January 24th** (see flyer)

First Year College Students

As you complete your first year in college, take some time to reflect on your accomplishments and set some new goals for the new semester. If you have not done

your 2025-2026 FAFSA it is now open to complete the form can be filled out at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. If you need any help with the form, please reach out to our department.

Upcoming deadlines:

Supporting documents for the spring 2025 semester is **Wednesday, January 15, 2025 11:59 pm**. Supporting documents can be submitted through formstack @ https://isletapueblo.formstack.com/forms/scholarship_application_supporting_documents. Just a reminder that each semester a new FNA, class schedule, official transcripts, course verification form, and degree plan are needed to complete your file. The course verification form and degree plan must be signed by your advisor.

The course verification form and degree plan can be found at <https://www.isletapueblo.com/tribal-programs/educational-services/10599-2/>

Please NOTE: The FNA and Transcript must be sent to poischolarships@isletapueblo.com

If you have any questions about your Higher Education file, please email poischolarships@isletapueblo.com or contact Fran Mershon @ 505-869-9790.

We wish you all nothing but the best this upcoming semester!
Shelly & Nissa

Higher Education says, "Welcome home for the holidays. Congratulations on completing another semester. We are happy you are on break!"

Hobbies and tips for an enjoyable winter break.

Cooking

Cooking is a useful hobby that will benefit you and your family as they get to enjoy your creations. Learning to love the process of making meals will teach you a skill that will be helpful for life and it will offer you a creative outlet while still allowing you to do something that's practical.

Writing

Writing is a great way to spend this alone time because you can express your thoughts while also having an opportunity to get your creative juices flowing.

Create Vision Boards

Making and keeping up with your vision boards is a great thing to do when you're stuck in the house, and it will benefit you in all areas of your life. Your vision board will act as a daily reminder of your long-term goals and give you an easily accessible source of motivation to help you work toward them.

Create an Organizing Routine

If you're ready to get organized, you can make your system for getting rid of clutter and maintaining a clean house. Create a process that makes sense to you to help you organize any belongings that you have that don't have their place to be put away. After doing so, you will feel less stressed and overwhelmed because when your living and working space are both organized, you will find it much easier to be productive throughout the day.

Make Bread

A lot of people have taken up bread making as a hobby during the COVID-19 pandemic, and this is the perfect hobby to carry you through the winter as well. Having fresh, homemade bread right out of the oven is extremely comforting, and much healthier than the processed bread you would buy from the grocery store.

Do Puzzles

Solving puzzles is a fun and challenging hobby that you can do indoors alone or with your family. And, even with the omnipresence of smartphones, playing real, tangible puzzles is still a common pastime for people of all ages.

Upcycle

Upcycling helps reduce the amount of trash we put back into land and you get to use your creativity to make something new out of something old. This means that in addition to minimizing landfill waste, you're reducing production needs in factories for new products, which helps reduce pollution, CO2 emissions, etc.)

Read

Reading is a very personal hobby, but it will benefit anyone who does it regularly. Reading is a great escape from the real world, and regardless of what genres you choose, reading will exercise your brain,

build your vocabulary, help you learn, and reduce stress. If you want to relax, sit back and listen to an audiobook, allowing someone else to read to you. Reading before you go to sleep can even help you sleep better by putting your real-life worries aside, disconnecting from technology, and giving you something relaxing to do. But it's also a good idea to keep your book on you during the day so if you get some free time, you can pull out your book for some mid-day relief.

Purge

Whether your closet is so full of junk that you have no idea what's way back there, or you've been having a hard time closing your desk drawers lately, it's always relieving to do a good purge and get rid of things you don't use or need anymore.


Volunteer in your community.

Volunteering as a higher education scholarship recipient will help your local community. Contact the Department of Education for Volunteer Opportunities. This ensures you can still make an impact and pay it forward. Choose a cause you believe in and find a matching volunteer position.

Enjoy your break!
The Higher Education Team

CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS WEEK!

JANUARY 20TH- 24TH, 2025



The Department of Education would like to acknowledge and celebrate your academic success and accomplishments! If you have initiated improvement in grades, growth in academic excellence, and excelled in your overall performance we want to recognize you!

You must have filled out the [DOE/JOM Contact Info](#) and have a **CIB** on file. If you have not filled out the form, use the QR code.

Incentives for academic success will be given out on

- Tuesday & Thursday, January 21st & 23rd 3:00- 6:30pm
- Wednesday 3:00- 5:30pm, Friday 2:00 - 4:30pm

ELEMENTARY

Students who have shown improvement on three subject areas on their report card; or have significant mastery of the subject; or have demonstrated growth on their short-cycle assessments (I-station) you qualify.

WHOSE ELIGIBLE?

- K-12 Pueblo of Isleta tribal members
- K-12 Los Lunas Public Schools JOM eligible students

MIDDLE SCHOOL/ HIGH SCHOOL

If you are a middle school or high school student who:

- Has a report card showing a GPA of 3.5 or higher; or
- A report card showing academic growth from 1st grading period to semester one; or
- Improvement in your standardize testing scores you qualify.

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PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Happy New Year to Everyone! Can you believe that another year just passed and it's 2025 now? Wow, time sure does fly by. I hope everyone had a great Christmas (2024) and an awesome and safe New Year! We are all looking forward to 2025 and are hoping to have more great events and activities to offer all of you this year.

Our fitness section is getting ready for the mad rush from tribal members who plan on losing weight and/or getting fit as their New Year's resolution. We hope that we see many of you here using both our fitness facilities here at the main recreation center and at the old recreation center (Pickle Heights).

Our Sports Section is busy with Volleyball and getting ready to start Basketball and Cornhole, so keep your eyes peeled for upcoming activities and events from our Sports Section.

FITNESS SECTION

It is that time for a New Year and a new you. What do you want for yourself this year or what are your Health and Well-being needs this New Year? We all know ourselves and our bodies, so what is your body telling you? If your body is telling you to exercise and you need a little motivation, then the recreation center is waiting for you to start your new workout routine for 2025.

Currently, we have some new and exciting classes that are impacting not just physical health, but mental health as well, so come by and get into these classes. We think you'll enjoy them.

- Pilates Classes are held on Monday evenings at 5:30 pm.
- Yoga Classes are held on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm and Friday mornings at 10 am.
- Water Aerobics classes are held twice a day on Mondays and Wednesdays at 11:00 am and 5:30 pm.
- Spin classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursday evenings at 5:30 pm.

Remember all our classes are free of charge to you, so what are you waiting for? Come down and meet our trainers, they are well-versed in the fitness field and ready to help you and answer any questions you may have about classes. They are all certified trainers, as well, if you are interested in one-on-one personal training sessions. Please come down and schedule a session. For more information, please call 505-869-9777 and ask for the fitness staff. Don't wait any longer, we are looking forward to your visit.

AQUATIC CENTER

Isleta Aquatics would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! If you're looking to get back in the pool, do not fear the cold outside. We keep our swimming pool at 80-82 year-round, our Wading Pool at 90-92, and our Jacuzzi at 101-103. We invite anyone interested to join us for Water Aerobics Mondays and Wednesdays, at 11:00am and 5:30pm. We have lap swim available from 5:30am - 8:30am (sign up required for morning lap swim) as well as Open Swim from 4:30pm to 7:30pm Monday through Thursday, and 4:30pm-5:30pm Fridays. We will have Open Swim on the 1st and

3rd Saturdays of each month from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. We are also taking sign-ups for the next session of swim lessons which are slated to begin in January. Swim lesson registration forms are available at the front desk at the Rec Center or contact Josh at 505-869-9783 for more details on availability and registration. Isleta Aquatics is still looking to hire and certify lifeguards! If you know anyone interested in becoming a lifeguard, please call or visit the POI website for the job posting! For anyone interested in information about Lifeguard certification, child or adult swim lessons, and other aquatic programming, please call Josh at 505-869-9783.

RECREATION SECTION

Recreation is going well this year and we still have slots available in our after-school recreation program for students to participate in. The after-school recreation program provides many different activities for the youth activities such as homework help, Gym activities, Swimming, Arts & Crafts, Outdoor play, and many others. The hours are usually Monday through Friday after school from 3:00 pm-5:30 pm and of course, we tailor our

program on the early days as well. For more information, please contact LeeAnne Zuni (Activities Coordinator) at 505-869-9777.

PARKS MAINTENANCE SECTION

Our Parks crew has been busy with leaves and other debris. Cutting off dead branches from some of the older trees needed to be done for safety reasons. All our parks should be completely winterized for this winter season and before we know it will be getting ready for the Spring all over again.

SPORTS SECTION

As mentioned earlier we are still trying to finish up our Adult Volleyball League, the tournament will be held this month. We are also preparing for the start of the Adult Basketball League. We have had conversations and we will be starting up our Youth Tribal Basketball League this month as well. It's been a while since we've had the Tribal Youth Basketball League and we are looking forward to having it again. This year we have 9 Pueblos committed to this league, which is awesome. Come out and support our Isleta Youth Team when you get a chance. We will post information about the games soon.



NATURAL RESOURCES

The Department of Natural Resources will be providing a wood distribution for elders, disabled, and social services requests to **Tribal Members ONLY**. The wood will be **1 Full Cord of split mixed cottonwood and mountain wood no exception to changes**. There will be a limit of 1 request per residence/month. Call our office at 505-869-9817.

Attention: If you have a large supply of fire wood at your residence you will be placed on the back end of the list. There are other residents that are truly in need.





AT A GLANCE

- Principal Message
- IES Feast Day
- Thanksgiving Lunch
- Science Fair
- 44th Annual Native American Student Art Show
- Join our Team

Principal Message

It was wonderful to connect with our families this past November at our school Feast Day and Thanksgiving Dinner. The events came together with the support of our entire learning community and allowed opportunities for students to participate. Another highlight was our 3-6 grade students showcasing their ability to apply the scientific method by completing science fair projects with the guidance of Ms. Ortiz and their families. The projects were impressive! A special thank you goes out to Mr. Casuse and Ms. Bohaty for overseeing the science fair judging day. December is a short month; however, we have a holiday event planned for students with parents/guardians invited on Friday, Dec. 20, starting at 12:30 p.m. for a holiday movie in the gym, cookies and hot chocolate, and a visit from Santa as a way to relax after completing a half year of school and preparing to go on winter break. I continue to be grateful to be working with such a caring, dedicated learning community.

Warmest regards,

Dr. Tamara Allison

Isleta Elementary Feast Day

On November 15, 2024, our school celebrated Isleta Elementary's Feast Day. It was a memorable time as a group of students of all grades performed dances for the school and guests. We were honored to have Mike Garcia and Emmet Garcia of Santa Ana Pueblo attend our event to sing for the dances and to speak to us. We also appreciate Ms. Valdez and Ms. Orozco, who assisted students with practices and the performance that day. We also appreciate the staff who joined the students in the dances: Ms. Valdez, Ms. Orozco, Ms. Zuni, Edna Jiron, Carol Lucero, Ramona Abeita, and Lorrie Padilla. In between dances, families were invited to eat a delicious traditional meal prepared by our cook, Christine Lujan with the help of our Tiwa instructors. The celebration concluded with a Throw of items donated by families, staff, and Pueblo of Isleta Departments.



Thanksgiving Family Luncheon

On November 21, 2024, we held our annual Thanksgiving Family Luncheon. Thank you to all who attended. We do appreciate the family involvement during these events as we gather to celebrate the holidays. A turkey dinner was served along with oven bread made by Ms. Orozco and Ms. Zuni and traditional cookies made by Ms. Piro with the help of a group of 6th grade students, Kyilah Rose Jojola, Cree Sam, Nizhoni Sam, and Demaris Garcia.



4th - 6th Grade News

The upper-grade teachers are seeing academic improvement in all subject areas, so the departmentalization for the upper grades has improved student's academics. The teachers are also collaborating when it comes to student's behavior and consequences.

The science classes had a great Science Fair with all upper grades participating. Each grade level was awarded a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize. Currently, the science classes are working on the plant life cycle and learning about decomposers, consumers, and producers. The grade levels will work with a partner, research an ecosystem, and create a food web pertaining to their ecosystem. The 3rd and 4th graders are busy growing bean plants.



Science Fair Results

Second Grade News

The second grade started off November, getting back together, as a strong team. We have easily navigated the newness of being together again. We have spent the month fully invested in entering the classroom each day, as a "learner" and supporting and challenging one another in all areas of learning. We have started to learn how to research topics, take notes, and share information with peers. We love to read, do Math, and support our ideas with our team. Second grade is shining brightly.



Art News

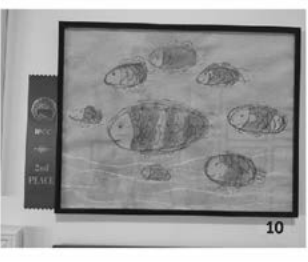



Mrs. Salazar

44th Annual Native American Student Art Show

49 students from Isleta Elementary have artwork on display at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center for the 44th Annual Native American Student Art Show. The theme of the show this year is "Water Is Life" and the students made work about the Rio Grande River, silvery minnows, or the water cycle in Art class with Ms. Salazar. The students made paintings, collages, prints, and the 6th graders made plaster cast rivers!

Four participating students were awarded 2nd place ribbons with a small cash prize of \$30 in their age group and artwork category: Jerrilyn Abeita in 1st grade Design & Collage, Triston Kasero in 5th grade Design & Collage, Eulalia Kasero in 4th grade Drawing & Painting, and Jayleen Benavidez in 2nd grade Drawing & Painting. Congratulations to the 2nd place winners!

The "Water Is Life" student art show will be on display until February 6, 2025, at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, 2401 12th Street NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104. They are open 9am-5pm Tuesday-Sunday. For more information, you can call them at 505-843-0727.

Design & Collage/2D Grades K-2 2nd Place Winner	Design & Collage/2D Grades 3-5 2nd Place Winner
	
Jerrilyn Abeita, 1st Grade	Triston Kasero, 5th Grade
Drawing & Painting/2D Grades K-2 2nd Place Winner	Drawing & Painting/2D Grades 3-5 2nd Place Winner
	
Jayleen Benavidez, 2nd Grade	Eulalia Kasero, 4th Grade

Get Involved!

We are always needing volunteers!

For questions on how you can help, contact the front office @ 505-273-8444. Below is a list of opportunities.

- Become a member of the Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO)
- Attend a School Board Meeting
- Apply to be a volunteer
- View our current job openings: <https://www.bie.edu/current-vacancies>.

January Reminders

Daily Schedule:

7:45 AM	8:00 AM	8:30 AM Tardy	3:00 PM Dismissal
Student Drop Off	Breakfast	(3 Tardies=1 Absent)	12:30 PM Early Release

Dates to remember:

- Jan 8 - Students return
- Jan 15 - 100th Day of School
- Jan 15 - 6th Grade Parent Meeting (Puberty Information)
- Jan 15 - Math Family Night
- Jan 17 - Early release
- Jan 20 - MLK Jr. Holiday NO School
- Jan 22 - Family Math Night
- Jan 23 - Awards Assembly
- Jan 31- Early release


Science Fair Results			
Grade	Placement	Name(s)	Science Project
3rd-Grade	1st-Place	Sofie-Grace Chavez	M&M Math
	2nd-Place	Miquala Silva	The Bath Bombs
	3rd-Place	Aspen Johnson & Cheyenne Curley	How To Make A Water Bottle Car
4th-Grade	1st-Place	Abigail Jiron & Charisma Padilla	How to Make A BathBomb
	2nd Place	Eulalia Kasero & Faith Otero	How to Make Slime
5th-Grade	1st-Place	Love Otero	What Is the Dirtiest
	2nd-Place	Logan Ortiz	What Makes Ice Melt the Fastest
	3rd-Place	Triston Kasero	Which Filters The Water Best
6th-Grade	1st-Place	Zoe Zuni & Cecilia Chinana	Hot Ice
	2nd-Place	Demaris Garcia	The Bouncy Egg
	3rd-Place	Kyilah Rose Jojola	Lava Lamp

2025 January



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	01 New Year's Day - No School	02 No School	03 No School	04
05	06 No School - Staff Professional Development	07 No School - Staff Professional Development	08 Students Return	09	10	11
12	13	14	15 6th Grade Parent Meeting - Puberty Information 5:30-7pm	16	17 Early Release @ 12:30 pm	18
19	20 No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday	21	22 Family Math Night 5:00-6:30pm	23 2nd Grading Quarter Awards Assembly 1:30-2:30pm	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Early Release @ 12:30 pm	01

Notes: January 15th - 100th Day of School
 January 15 - 6th Grade Parent Puberty Information Night 5:30-7pm, January 16 - 6th Grade In-Class Puberty Presentations, January 22 - 4th-5th Grade Puberty In-Class Presentations.



BREAKFAST

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

JANUARY 2025

Isleta Elementary School

Isleta Elementary School
1000 Moonlight Dr
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK				
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK	NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK	Waffle Syrup Apple Wedges Choice of Milk	Cinnamon Roll Fruit Choice of Milk	Blueberry Bagel Cream Cheese Mandarin Oranges Choice of Milk
13	14	15	16	17
Frosted Flakes English Muffin Apples Choice of Milk	Biscuit and Gravy Grapes Choice of Milk	Yogurt Parfait Graham Crackers Apples Choice of Milk	Scrambled Eggs Toast Pineapples Choice of Milk	WG Banana Muffin Graham Crackers Cherries Choice of Milk
20	21	22	23	24
NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY	Bagel Cream Cheese Oranges Choice of Milk	Combo Bars Dino Bites Mango Choice of Milk	Breakfast Pizza Apple Wedges Choice of Milk	Pancake Sausage Strawberries Choice of Milk
27	28	29	30	31
Honey Nut Cheerios Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	French Toast Sausage Syrup Berries Choice of Milk	Cream of Wheat Banana Choice of Milk	Boiled Egg Toast Jelly Oranges Choice of Milk	Pancakes Syrup Pineapple Choice of Milk

This is an equal opportunity institution

Food Menu Subject to Change Due to Food Availability



LUNCH

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

JANUARY 2025

Isleta Elementary School

Isleta Elementary School
1000 Moonlight Dr
505.273.8444

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK				
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK	NO SCHOOL ** WINTER BREAK	Beef Nachos Garnish Corn on Cob Grapes Choice of Milk	Spaghetti Garlic Toast Salad Berries Choice of Milk	Cheese Pizza Green Beans Peaches Choice of Milk
13	14	15	16	17
Beef Tacos Garnish Spanish Rice Mango Choice of Milk	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Celery Sticks Apples Choice of Milk	Chicken Teriyaki Rice California Vegetable Mandarin Oranges Choice of Milk	Baked Chicken Mashed Potato Broccoli Fruit Cup Choice of Milk	Cheeseburger Garnish Baked Beans Grapes Choice of Milk
20	21	22	23	24
NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY	Bean and Cheese Burrito Tater Tots Pears Choice of Milk	Beef Lasagna Breadstick Corn Oranges Choice of Milk	Corn Dogs Baked Chips Berries Choice of Milk	Dill Chicken Bites French Fries Broccoli Apples Choice of Milk
27	28	29	30	31
Chef Salad Ranch Dressing Dinner Roll Pears Choice of Milk	Chicken and Rice Red Chile Green Beans Sidekick Choice of Milk	Pepperoni Pizza Carrots w/Ranch Honey Dew Choice of Milk	Chicken Enchiladas Beans California Vegetable Mango Choice of Milk	Hot Dog Baked Beans Gold Fish Grapes Choice of Milk

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Save The Date!

6th Native Youth Empowerment Symposium

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12TH
7:30AM - 1:35PM

ISLETA RESORT & CASINO
11000 BROADWAY
BLVD SE ABQ, NM 87105

Financial Literacy

Tiwa Lending Services is excited for the 6th NYES. We invite students from grade 7 to college. Topics are focused around finances, home buying, entrepreneurship, and available resources.

Network

Interact with Tribal leaders and industry experts representing nonprofits, government agencies, and tribal services.

Lunch Provided

Lunch will be provided to registered attendees.

Interested in attending?

Contact Miranda Lente
505-916-0556
miranda@tiwalending.org

Sponsorship opportunities available

January - National Poverty Awareness Month

According to the US Census Bureau the official poverty measure in 2022 was 11.5% and at the time 37.9 million people were in poverty. The state of New Mexico is in the top five states for the highest poverty level.

- There are several factors that contribute to poverty these include:
- Certain people including older adults and those whom have disabilities are more likely to suffer from poverty due to a fixed income
 - Households where the head of household is a woman and those whose head of household is unemployed
 - Adults without a high school diploma

There are several programs that can help these include SNAP, WIC, Medicaid, TANF, earned income tax credits, subsidized housing and energy assistance programs. There is also early education assistance and job training programs.

WIC is a free nutrition assistance program for children under the age of 5. It also covers pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding moms. Please call our office for an appointment if you or someone you know is in need of assistance.

What Can WIC Save You?

Participating in the WIC program until your child is 5 years old can save you around \$4,000.

This could buy you....

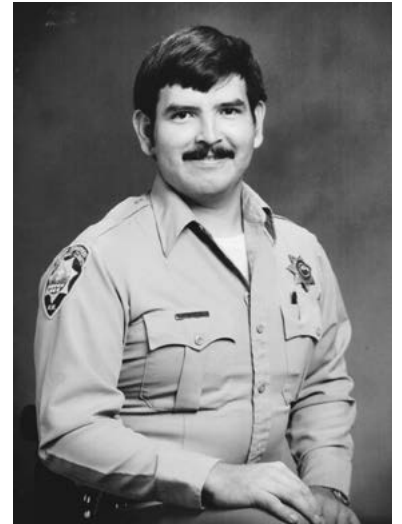
- 160 boxes of diapers
- 200 visits to the zoo for you and your child
- 1,600 gallons of gas
- 440 movie tickets
- 6 months' worth of childcare savings
- ...or savings for your child's future

nmwic.org

ISLETA WIC OFFICE 505-869-2662

TED LUJAN

The Lujan Family would like to express its sincere gratitude for the love and support from family and our community during the loss of our eldest brother, Ted Lujan. Ted was a proud Father, Grandfather, Brother, and Uncle, but he was a Proud Marine!



Ted joined the Marines in 1977. After completing boot camp, he signed up for Marine Sniper training, which he completed and officially became a Marine Corps Sniper. Ted carried out several missions in the Philippines and other countries. When his service came to an end, Ted was Honorably Discharged in 1981.

Upon coming home from Military Service Ted joined the Grant Police Department where he was employed for several years before moving to Valencia County Sheriff's Department. After several years with the Valencia County Sheriff's Department, Ted decided it was time for a change. Ted found his new home at Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department where he served approximately 15 years known by call sign BCSO155. Ted had just taken his Sargent's exam before going on vacation when tragedy struck the family in June of 1988 when Ted was involved in a horrific accident that put him in a wheelchair as a quadriplegic. During his stay at the Hospital Ted was informed by his Commanding officer that he had passed his Sargent's Exam. Despite the new challenges Ted had to face, severe depression, and thoughts of worthlessness, Ted never stopped fighting. Ted Retired from the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department as a sergeant. For the next 32 years, Ted accepted his fate with grace and gratitude never complaining. Ted then decided to attend the University of New Mexico (UNM) where he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in psychology with a Minor in Sociology.

In the summer of 2018, Ted suffered a Stroke which left Ted slightly more paralyzed on his left side making it difficult to drive his wheelchair and his van. Slowly we noticed his speech had been affected as well. Ted decided to stay at the VA hospital to be cared for. Ted's stay at VA Hospital was all of six years when on October 30, 2024, at approximately 10:20 pm our Creator called Ted home to be with our parents, sister, and his daughter Jackie.

Ted is survived by his Granddaughter Brooklyn Lujan-Chaney, Brothers Kenneth and Paul Lujan, and his several Nieces and Nephews, Aunts, Uncles, and Cousins.

TURNING 65? HAVE QUESTIONS ON HOW TO APPLY FOR MEDICARE?

If you have questions on how to apply for Medicare, or have questions about Medicare Advantage programs.

You can reach out to the Isleta Health Centers Benefits Coordinator and set an appointment.

Theresa Bridge, Benefits Coordinator 505-869-4469

*Reminder Open Enrollment is quickly approaching. Starting October 15-December 07, 2024

ISLETA POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER JANUARY - 2025

2025!

So very hard to believe 2024 is behind us and we are starting what hopes to be a successful and wonderful year for all. The department has undergone many positive changes over the past year, and looks to continue to progress in every aspect possible. We at the Isleta Police Department hope to continue to build a good working relationship with community members and outside agencies.

We have added another to our growing family and would like to introduce Officer Paul Thain who joined the department a couple of weeks ago.



My name is Paul Thain, and I'm originally from the United Kingdom. I immigrated to the United States in 2015 to become a police officer. I got my start in public safety in 2018 as a dispatcher, where I worked for three years before transitioning into law enforcement. I was hired by the Bernalillo Police Department, where I spent three and a half years as a police officer.

During my time at Bernalillo PD, I became a field investigator, assisting detectives with severe crime investigations. I developed a strong interest in firearms and became a firearms instructor. My passion for police work also includes K-9 units. I've had the privilege of working with Sandoval County's K-9 teams on various narcotics cases and other service calls, which strengthened my admiration for their work and dedication.

In my free time, I enjoy practicing jiu-jitsu, honing my skills at the shooting range, and spending time with my family. I've recently started learning how to ice skate with my fiancée, which has been a fun new challenge. I'm also an outdoor enthusiast and love taking my dog on tough hikes to see how far we can push ourselves.

I am looking forward to working with the Isleta Police Department and meeting the members of the community.

A reflection and recap of the divisions and employees who contribute to the department are as follows:

RESIDENCY

A reminder to all, the Pueblo of Isleta Police Department, working closely with the Codes Compliance Officer, has been addressing the complaints of the community regarding residency. Please keep in mind we work diligently to enforce these codes and obtain the cooperation of those involved to follow the proper procedures in applying for residency status. Unfortunately, it does take time for the process as an application must be completed and submitted, followed by a background check, and upon completion, the packet is presented to the Governor's Office for approval or denial. A reminder, until these steps have all been completed, the applying party cannot reside on the Pueblo until receipt of acceptance or disapproval.

The sponsoring party can also face consequences if they allow the individual to reside at the home pending approval. If denied residency, the individual may be allowed to visit but cannot circumvent the system by staying for several hours, leaving for a few hours, and returning at a later time. A visit is just exactly that, a visit for perhaps three hours, and these visits may occur consecutively during the week and alternate weekends. Again, this does not mean endless hours with a break in between and return again.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Codes Compliance Officer C. Eaton or Officer Sharon Mitamura at the Police Department.

With the many activities occurring from mid-December on, many of the highlights will be prepared and included in the February newsletter, but we all hope your holidays were enjoyed with friends and family.

IHSP TRAFFIC

This division has grown this past year with the promotion of J.P. Abeita to the position of Traffic Sergeant supervising four traffic officers who keep busy consistently through the year with not only duties of traffic enforcement, and investigations of crashes, but also assist with community

events with traffic control. They also hold a required number of DWI Roadblocks and/or saturation patrols. Also added to their duties organizing and participating in community events, as well as presentations not only here, but at conferences in other states.

We proudly had an officer complete and become certified as a Drug Recognition Expert which is highly advantageous when impairment is not restricted to alcohol alone.

Many thanks to this team for all of their involvement in the community and outside, as well as adding to the nationwide recognition of their accomplishments.

The U.S. Department of Transportation says that from now until New Year's, law enforcement sees the highest incidents of drunk driving, making the holidays the deadliest time to drive. From 2018 to 2022, close to 5,000 people died in alcohol-related crashes in December alone.

"Don't Shatter the Dream Mobilization" begins December 13, 2024, and runs through January 1, 2025. This mobilization was first launched in 2009 by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the program continues today. Tribal law enforcement will be conducting saturation patrols on tribal lands with the intent to save lives. The department asks if you are going to be celebrating and drink, DON'T DRIVE. Find a designated driver, take an Uber or other means of transportation.

NARCOTICS

Narcotics are in abundance everywhere around us and have filtered on to the reservation for some time. It has taken a toll on individuals here with addiction, overdosing, and even death. A concerted effort has been in play for quite some time and though successful, the problem with narcotics is far from over. Please help us to combat this by submitting your tips (anonymously) to the Isleta Crime Stoppers below



CRIME STOPPERS

ANONYMOUSLY REPORT A CRIME OR INCIDENT @ 505-264-7258 OR crimetiphotline@isletapueblo.com

or **APD Crimestoppers**
To Submit a Tip:

Call 505-843-STOP or visit the [Albuquerque Metro Crime Stoppers website](#).

All information provided is anonymous.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION

This division is composed of a sergeant and two investigators who have also risen to the challenges of criminal activity taking

place on the reservation with connections to outsiders. The division effectively investigates all information/leads brought forth and has had success in charging individuals and following the cases through to prosecution.

Again, thanks to the hard work of this division.

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES CLINICIAN

Another added position is that of the clinician who is kept busy networking with

multiple organizations to provide the best resources available to the members of the Pueblo. He has many years of experience and worked in different organizations and has brought insight into the problems faced by individuals and assisted in helping officers to recognize different aspects of mental health issues encountered.

Together with an officer designated to assist with follow-ups, etc., visits have been made to determine if the person needs additional resources, etc.

ISLETA POLICE COMMUNICATIONS

Another division that has increased in size and is trained to effectively assist the community, travelers, and anyone who needs assistance. They are the hub of communication from the calling party to the officers in the field and are trained to ensure sufficient information is gathered and broadcast to the assigned officer(s) to safely respond to these calls, provide additional resources when required, and document all aspects of the call. A stressful situation faced by them all, but handled professionally and efficiently and we thank them as they are the lifeline for the community and officers in the field.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

These are the individuals who handle

paperwork, preparation of reports, processing of new employees, ensuring discovery is completed and submitted, working with officers and the list goes on. The ladies who take care of all of the administrative paperwork, purchase requests, timekeeping, etc. are the hub of information that must be maintained and due an exceptional job. We thank you for your efforts and diligence.

COMMAND STAFF:

As a member of this department for 18 years, I have seen the changes some good, some not so good, but the strides taken and accomplished by this department this past year are more than worth mentioning. We are almost fully staffed in patrol, the teams mentioned above which have been created and/or expanded.

They have created a professional environment and work diligently to recruit and retain employees with requests for incentives they research and apply for. Their hard work is not unnoticed and the community and the members of the police department benefit from diligent efforts.

Just reflections from observations of a long-time employee of the Pueblo of Isleta Police Department.

With all of this said, you can be sure the Police Department and all of its divisions will continue to move forward in their efforts to protect and serve the community. There are challenges to be faced and the department will do its very best to meet those challenges.

We thank the community for working with us to meet this goal for 2025.

TRUANCY

Happy New Year to all!

We hope you had a wonderful and happy holiday season with family and friends. Spending time with family is always important, not just around the Christmas season, but throughout the year. May the New Year bless you and your families with joy, love, peace, and health.

In 2024, the Truancy Department participated in many events within the community. As always, it was exciting and we enjoyed each and every event. We were happy to take part in the following:

- √ Isleta Elementary Valentine’s Day dance. There were many fun activities such as a cake walk, ball toss, corn hole, and music playing throughout the day. We also attended the Isleta Head Start meet and greet day at Isleta Elementary School. The Truancy Department provided root beer floats to students and families who were present. There were games provided by various POI Departments and lunch was provided by Isleta Elementary School staff. We hope that the event does encourage your child to attend Isleta Elementary.
- √ We provided water bottles, Gatorade, and snack items, for the Isleta Elementary basketball team, as well as duffle bags for each team member.
- √ We supported the Los Lunas High School Native American Club with items for a food sale they sponsored, to raise money for an educational trip to Alaska. Each student was also provided with small travel items and pillows for this adventure. In return, the students shared many of their products that came directly from the fields they harvested, such as melons and squash; these items were very delicious and very much appreciated, as we shared them with fellow employees at the Tribal Complex.
- √ We also attended student orientation/check-in at Santa Fe Indian School and provided our students with items such as laundry and snack items.
- √ There was also the annual National Night Out that we were happy to be a part of. The Truancy Department had a fun cornhole game with many fun prizes. We also donated laundry basket items for the raffle. It is always fun to see our community come together, laughing, sharing, and communicating with each other which is always great to see.
- √ Halloween festivities are always a fun time! We enjoyed joining in with the community to enjoy many games, Chik-fil-A meals, and sweet treats that were provided to all attendees.
- √ Last but not least, we also participated in a Family Night that was hosted by the Department of Education. It was a nice touch to be with the community and families during the holiday season.

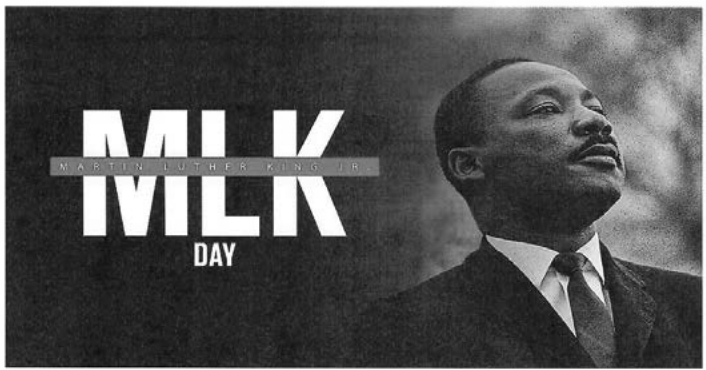
Thank you for all taking part and being active when these events are sponsored for the community. As always, community is a big part of all the success of our departments as well as sharing the various ways that we support our families.

The Truancy Department works with the Department of Education to encourage our students to attend school daily and obtain a high school diploma. We understand this may not be an option for all of our students, but if the traditional school setting is not a fit for your student, then there are other options so that your student can obtain their diploma. The Truancy Department has expanded our incentive program to students who pursue their educational goals with the support of the Isleta Higher Education Department. As a reminder, this incentive program is not available only to some students, but to all students who have perfect attendance at the schools they attend, as long as we can verify and confirm that students have no absences and/or tardies to class, you will be eligible for an incentive each semester of school. You can contact our department if you have any questions.

The Truancy Department looks forward to a successful 2025 school semester. Now is the time to continue following your set goals and continue doing your part in attending school and achieving passing class grades.

We wish you all a great start...2025!!


Thank you,
Isleta Truancy Department





MLK DAY

M.L.K. DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

The Transfer Station will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2025, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Mondays and Tuesdays collections will both be collected on Tuesday, January 21st. Have carts out by 7AM and have a Happy Martin Luther King Jr. Day!







KEEP ISLETA BEAUTIFUL! 869-4106



Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Happy New Year! As we turn the page to 2025, we're excited to kick off January with a fresh lineup of events, programs, and resources designed to inspire and engage our community. Whether you're looking to set new goals, cozy up with a good book, or dive into learning something new, we have something for everyone. This month we want to highlight all our FREE services, programs to jumpstart your creativity, and family-friendly activities to keep the season bright. Don't miss out on making the most of what your library has to offer.

News

A staff meeting will be scheduled sometime during the first week of January. We will be planning upcoming programs for children, teens, and adults. The library will remain open during this time, so don't hesitate to come on in and check out any library material.

The library will be CLOSED on Wednesday, January 1st in observance of New Year's Day. The library staff would like to wish you good health, happiness, and prosperity for 2025.

The library will be CLOSED on Monday, January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. All library media checked out on Thursday, January 16th and Friday, January 17th will be due on Tuesday, January 21st.

Our Summer Reading Program Planning meeting will be on Monday and Tuesday, January 6 and 7, and from 8 am-12 pm each day, therefore we will be CLOSED during that time. Once our planning meeting has concluded we will resume regular business hours. Our Junior and Youth group curriculums will be developed and turned into a 6-week program during the summer. We will be addressing concerns and recommendations from participants, as well as staff from the previous year so we can make some adjustments and improvements. Please give us a call at 505-869-9808 and a library staff member will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have about our Summer Reading Program.

Please keep in mind with the upcoming Holiday Season and unpredictable weather that unexpected closures may occur. Notices will be posted and up-to-the-minute notices will be posted on all library social media accounts and our library app notifications.

Reminder, for those of you who have downloaded our library app, you need to reactivate the app notifications in your app settings after our app creators experienced a nationwide glitch on the Labor Day weekend in September 2024.

Have you returned your library material? If you have had library material out more than a calendar year, a fine will be applied to your library account. If you have library items at home, please return them in good condition and there will be no fines applied to your account. There are four ways to check your account:

- Visit our online library catalog at <https://isletapueblo.booksys.net/opac/pipl/index.html> and log on with your library card number and pin number.
- Download our library app "POI LIB" on your mobile device and log on with your library card number and pin.
- Visit the library and speak with someone at the front desk.
- Give us a call at 505-869-9808.

We would like to remind the community that the library offers storytime for the whole family. If you ever find yourself wanting to take your family out to a family-friendly event like story time, panting, or other fun activities, please stop by. Or you can find upcoming events on our social media and our program calendar in our library app.

- Instagram: @isletapueblolibrary
- Snapchat: @poipubliclib
- Facebook: Pueblo of Isleta Public Library

Below is more information about the library's Family Story Time...

Please join us every Thursday at 11:00 am for Family Story Time, no sign-ups are required, so just come on in. Library Staff member Abbey will read a story and engage toddlers and families in an activity. This program allows parents and caregivers to introduce reading to their children. If you have any questions, please give Abbey a call at the library at 505-869-9808 or by email at Abbey.Whitaker@isletapueblo.com.

Upcoming

The library will be collaborating with the Tutor Doctor of Albuquerque to provide a Reading Intervention Program to help students reading at a lower grade level

reach their current reading level. Interested parents must attend an in-person meeting with the people of Tutor Doctor at the library in mid or late January. Information and details of the program will be provided. Please watch for our announcement and more information in the coming weeks. You may also call the library at (505) 869-9808 and speak with Nate about the program.

We have more exciting programming and circulating library material news to share but we are still working things out behind the scenes. We hope to have an update for you by February.

Recap

The After School Program had their Christmas Party on December 17th right before they went on winter break. Students participated in holiday festivities. Dion's subs were served and Christmas gift bags were given out. All the students have been doing an excellent job keeping up with their homework and reading and we just want to say keep up the good work we hope all students had a restful and relaxing break. We are excited for the second part of the school year and we have been busy planning crafts, activities, and incentive field trips for the upcoming year. For any questions or

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concerns about the library's After School Program, please give us a call at 505-869-9808 and speak with a staff member.

During the month of December, library staff member Luc hosted a Pueblo Gingerbread House Program where participants met up every Wednesday to work on their Pueblo Style gingerbread houses. Our gingerbread architects used gingerbread, icing, candies, and plenty of holiday cheer to create their houses. We hope all the participants enjoyed a fun and creative evening here at the library. We would like to thank everyone who participated!

Library staff member Diane hosted a Candle Paint Night at the library on December 5th. Participants enjoyed a creative evening filled with color, inspiration, and fun for the Christmas Holiday Season. This program was open to adults, and all supplies were provided alongside light refreshments and snacks. Participants did a great job painting their candles and we would like to thank everyone who showed up.



Library Pueblo Gingerbread Program participants and projects!



Library Candle Paint Night Program!

Join the department of education for a **CLASS OF 2025 PARENT MEETING** THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2025


OPTION 1
 1:00 PM HYBRID/DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION COMPUTER LAB
[HTTPS://US05WEB.ZOOM.US/J/87070236314](https://us05web.zoom.us/j/87070236314?pwd=WU0J6VSW0L8X6MLI50BCJ6PGHZEHUS.1)
 password: class2025

OPTION 2
 6:00 PM CHICAL RECEPTION HALL

- Seal & Stole Information
- Reimbursement Information
- POI Higher Education Information

Please use the QR code to let us know you are attending

505-869-9790
 950 Moonlight Drive SW





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We Are 
ACCEPTING

Elder Center Advisory Committee Members

Committee members needed to advise and recommend improvements to the Elder Center.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Committee members serve two- or three-year terms determined by Tribal Council.
- Meetings are usually once a month.
- Paid stipend of \$45.00 per hour.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Pueblo of Isleta Tribal Member
- Over the age of 25
- Officer Roles:
 - Chair
 - Vice-Chair
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Committee member

How to Apply: Submit a letter of interest to POI Tribal Council. Or you may scan the QR Code from this notice, create your letter, and deliver your letter to Kevin Facer, Elder Center Director.

Questions?? Please Call (505) 869-9770



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CONTACT US FOR INFO AND REFERRALS

(505) 345 - 8471

info@openskieshealthcare.org
ryanh@openskieshealthcare.org

Pueblo of Isleta Head Start and Child Care

www.isletaheadstartandchildcare.com

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Required Documentation for enrollment includes:

- Proof of birth/Proof of pregnancy (if applicable)
- Proof of Residency
- Household Certificate of Indian Blood
- Medical Insurance Card
- Proof of Income
- Proof of public assistance (if applicable)
- Court Documentation (if applicable)

Steps to get your child enrolled

Step 1 Call 505-869-9796 to get scheduled

Step 2 Complete Application

Step 3 Child Starts school!!!

Community Assessment

Please help us get community data! Our short and sweet community assessment helps us determine how we can help community members with Early Childhood Services. Scan the QR Code!!



SCHOOL CLOSURES

January 1- January 3
Winter Break
January 6- January 7
Professional Development Day

JANUARY UPCOMING EVENING EVENTS

1. Parent Committee
January 9, 2025
2. Family Night
January 15, 2025
3. Fatherhood/Male Involvement
January 21, 2025
4. Policy Council
TBA

ALL EVENTS BEGIN AT 5:30PM

505-869-9796

Children Return January 8, 2025

***FREE* CLASS!**

Learn Cooking Skills

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OUR NEXT GROUP RUNS: 1/10/25-1/31/25

WE MEET: Fridays at 12:30p-2p

JOIN US AT: Rio Bravo Senior Center
3910 Isleta Blvd SW 87105


Contact your local ICAN Educator Emily Marchetti at march@nmsu.edu or Maria at 505-966-9799 to sign up, or sign up online at redcap.link/snap






If you are an individual with a disability and need an auxiliary aid or service, call Emily Marchetti at 505-243-1386 or email march@nmsu.edu no later than 7 days before your class.

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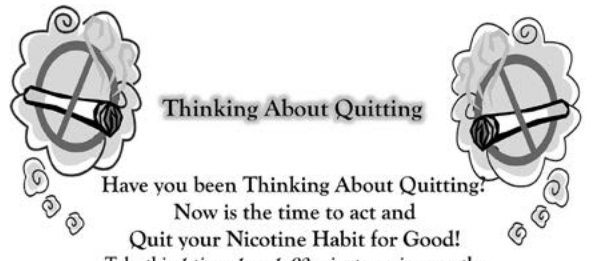


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Did you know Isleta Health Center is your payor of last resort?
Payor of last resort means if you have primary insurance, Isleta Health Center would be your secondary insurance. If you have a primary and secondary insurance, Isleta Health Center would be your Tertiary insurance. Please list Isleta Health Center as your last payor.

Did you know you have to call PRC to inform them of all appointments?
This includes all ER/urgent care visits, any follows ups, any secondary referrals, telemed appointments, rescheduled appointments. Not calling in for appointments will delay payment.

Did you know if you receive a bill from a provider, you have to bring it in to PRC, even if you have a referral?
Some facilities will send a bill to the patient but not Isleta Health Center. It is best to bring all bills in received by mail to make sure PRC contacts the facility to bill Isleta



Thinking About Quitting

Have you been Thinking About Quitting? Now is the time to act and Quit your Nicotine Habit for Good! Take this *1 time, 1 on 1, 90 minute session* over the phone or in person at the Isleta Health Center, to increase your motivation to quit and to get some Tips and Tricks to help you do Quit for Good!

Call Stephanie, Health Educator @ 505-869-4479 to learn more

Isleta Elder Center Menu 2025				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Please call by 9 AM to cancel Home Delivered Meals. Thank you.		1/1/2025 ELDER CENTER CLOSED  closed on New Year's Day	1/2/2025 Tuna Sandwich Tuna 3oz Diced Celery/Onions 1/4c Sliced Cucumbers w/Ranch Croissant Fresh Fruit	1/3/2025 Barley Soup Ground Beef 3oz Barley 1/2c Mixed Vegetable 1/2c Crackers SF Pudding cup
1/6/2025 Chicken Patty Sandwich Chicken Patty 3oz Steak Fries 1/2c Hamburger Bun Garnish 2oz Fresh Fruit	1/7/2025 Beef Tacos Ground Beef 3oz Taco Shells 2oz Corn O'Brien 1/2c Spanish Rice 1/2c Mandarin Oranges	1/8/2025 Baked Lemon Chicken Chicken Breast 3oz Baked Macaroni Cheese 1/2c Roasted Vegetable Medley 1/2c Peaches w/cottage cheese 1/2c	1/9/2025 Grilled Turkey Sandwich Slice Turkey 3oz Swiss Cheese 1oz Slice Bread Chips Fruit Cocktail 1/2c	1/10/2025 Carne Adovada Pork Carne Adovada 3oz Refried Beans 1/4c Chuckwagon 1/2c Tortilla Fresh Fruit
1/13/2025 Shepherd's Pie Ground Beef 3oz Mixed Vegetable 1/2c Gravy 2oz Baked Roll Fruit Salad 1/2c	1/14/2025 Red Chile Potato Stew Diced Pork 3oz Red Chile 1/4c Diced Potato 1/2c Dinner Roll Fresh Fruit	1/15/2025 Salisbury Steak Salisbury Steak 3oz Gravy 2oz Country Blend 1/2c Baked Roll Fruit Cobbler	1/16/2025 Beef & Bean Burrito Beef & Bean Burrito 3oz Shredded Cheese 2oz Salsa 2oz Street Corn 1/2c Peach w/Jello	1/17/2025 Grilled Pork Chop Pork Chop 3oz California Blend 1/2c Seasoned Rice 1/2c Fresh Fruit
1/20/2025  MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY	1/21/2025 Cheese Quesadilla Shredded Cheese 1c Tortilla 10' Salsa 2oz Spanish Rice 1/2c Fresh Fruit	1/22/2025 Ham & Pinto Beans Diced ham 3oz Pinto Beans 1c Cornbread Peaches	1/23/2025 American Hamburger Beef Patty 3oz Hamburger Bun Garnish 2oz French Fries 1/2c Fresh Fruit	1/24/2025 Sub Sandwich Sliced Turkey 3oz Sliced Tomato/Lettuce 2oz Hoagie Baked Chips 2oz Fresh Fruit
1/27/2025 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Italian Sausage 3oz Mariana Sauce 1/2c Spaghetti Noodles 1/2c Garlic Bread Jello Salad	1/28/2025 Baked Cod Cod 3oz Steamed Rice 1/2c Cali Vegetable 1/2c Tartar Sauce 1oz Fresh Fruit	1/29/2025 Beef Enchilada Ground Beef 3oz Flour Tortilla Red Chile 1/2c Roasted Zucchini 1/2c Garnish 2oz Fresh Fruit	1/30/2025 Chicken Parmesan Chicken Patty 3oz Pasta 1/2c Marinara Sauce 1/2c Mozzarella cheese 1oz Mixed Vegetable 1/2c	1/31/2025 Homestyle BBQ Meatballs BBQ Meatballs 3oz Baked Yams 1/2c Normandy Blend 1/2c Baked Roll Apple Cobbler

****Menus are subject to change without notice, based on the availability of products.****

MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:00AM - 4:30PM CLOSED ALL MAJOR HOLIDAY'S. 505-869-9770		<h1>JANUARY</h1>			<h1>2025</h1>
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Call or Visit the Elder Center to Sign up for Activities & Trips in Advance. All Activities are on a first-come-first-serve basis. Activities are open to everyone age 50+ unless otherwise noted 12/6/2024		1	2	3	
			Billiards 1pm Activities Room	New year, New you 15 minute workout for beginners 11:30am Activities Room	
6	7	8	9	10	
No Activities	Trivia Tuesday 12:45pm	Table Tennis (Ping-Pong) 1pm Activities Room	Mass 11:30am	Cornhole 1pm Activities Room	
13	14	15	16	17	
Winter Olympics Santa Fe, NM 2025 Blu Orchid Massage 9:30am-3pm	Winter Olympics Santa Fe, NM 2025 Commodity Distribution 9:30am-3pm	Winter Olympics Santa Fe, NM 2025 No Activities	Winter Olympics Santa Fe, NM 2025 No Activities	 Learn to Tie-Dye! 1pm Activities Room	
20	21	22	23	24	
 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Relaxing Paint Tutorial 1pm in the Activities Room	Tips for Eating Healthy and Recipe Sharing during lunch	Abq Int'l Balloon Museum Leaving EC 10am Lunch @Tin Can Alley	B.I.N.G.O 1pm Activities Room	
27	28	29	30	31	
Senior Day at the Roundhouse in Santa Fe, NM NM Aging Services 9am-2pm	Trivia Tuesday 12:45pm Commodity Distribution 9:30am-3pm	No Activities	Diamond Art 1pm Activities Room	 Birthday Celebration	

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ADULT DAY SERVICES

January 2025
Activity Calendar

If interested in joining the Adult Day Services Program, please call (505) 869-9770
 Activities may be subject to change

MONDAY 6	TUESDAY 7	WEDNESDAY 8	THURSDAY 9	FRIDAY 10
9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises 1-3p Yarn Coasters	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Scarf Exercise 1-3p Waterless Snowglobe	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Resistance Exercises 1-3p Snowflake Cling	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Cervical Health Awareness 1-3p Color Game	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Resistance Exercises 1-3p Water paint
9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Resistance Exercises 1-3p Canvas Painting	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises 1-3p Candle Making	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Weight Lifting 1-3p Hungry Hippo Game	9-10am Breakfast, Social, Health Check 10-11a Scarf Exercise 1-3p Luminary Decorating	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Radon Awareness 1-3p Yarn Weaving
 ADS CLOSED In observance of Martin Luther King Jr.	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Scarf Exercise 1-3p Keychain Making	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Weight Lifting 1-3p ADS BINGO - Baked Goods	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises 1-3p 3D Canvas Painting	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Weight Lifting 1-3p Snow Painting
9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Leprosy Discussion 1-3p Stained Glass Painting	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Stretching & Arthritis Exercises 1-3p Table Golf	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Weight Lifting 1-3p ADS BINGO - Baked Goods	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Scarf Exercise 1-3p Woodburning	9-10am Breakfast, Social 10-11a Resistance Exercises 1-3p Card Making w/ Sun Paper