

## THE NAVAJO NATION OFFICE OF DINÉ YOUTH

## SHIPROCK AGENCY

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## **RE: OUTREACH ACTIVITY**

Greetings,

On behalf of the Office of Dine' Y.O.U.T.H. (Young Optimist United Toward Hozho) – Shiprock Agency. I would like to introduce our program to you as we are conducting youth activities through virtual programming utilizing **Zoom, Microsoft Teams, emails, mail system**, and however way its best to stay connected. ODY is a Navajo Nation Youth Services Program that provides a variety of services to our youth ages 6-24 years old. Our office provides the following services:

- ➤ Summer Youth Employment (ages 14-24)
  - High School
  - College
- ➤ Virtual Afterschool (Fall, Spring, Summer Programming ages 6-18)
  - Homework help
  - Literacy
  - Snacks
  - Care Items
  - Arts/Crafts
  - Dine' Culture & Language
- Virtual Recreation Programs
  - Physical Activity Kit
  - SPARK
  - Teambuilding
  - Health/Wellness
- Virtual Prevention Activities/Presentations
  - Health/Hygiene
  - Substance Abuse
  - Parenting Skills
  - Protecting you/Protecting Me
  - Life Skills, etc.
- Virtual Community Outreach Activities
  - Dormitories
  - Northern Agency chapters
- ➤ High School Preparatory Financial Aid (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades Prep students)
  - Applications can be found on dineyouth.com and mailed them directly to ODY Administration PO Box 1599, Window Rock, AZ
- Partnerships with local, tribal, and county entities on community projects and initiatives.

The Office of Dine' Youth would like to partner with your School or Chapter from 3:00pm - 5:00pm on a designated day and time Fridays in providing upon your availability to host a virtual outreach activity in your community. We would like to provide the following activities that are listed above by sending a memo to the supervisor with a date and time of requested activity besides the Friday's only.

This outreach activity will enable the Office of Dine' Youth to reach out to our youth between the ages of 6-18 years old within your community. We know that in this time of pandemic that we are in, we want to keep connected virtual to reassure that we continue to do our job by implementing these activities with our youth. At this time, all activities will be held virtual until our Navajo Nation President declares for our programs to re-open and begin accepting our youths back into our buildings.

Our program also is accepting enrollment for our virtual afterschool programming and the applications can be downloaded from our dineyouth.com website or you may contact one of our staff members via email, so that we may work with you to serve our youth. If your school or chapter is interested in collaborating with Office of Dine' Youth, please email Sharon Yazzie, PSIII @ <a href="mailto:sharonyazzie@nndode.org">sharonyazzie@nndode.org</a> with a memo indicating the type of assistance needed, so the direct service staff maybe assigned to provide this service. Should you have any questions, you may also contact other staff members at:

Kelli Jones, PPS – <u>kellijones@nndode.org</u> Brianna White, RA – <u>briannawhite@nndode.org</u>

Sincerely,

Sharon Yazzie

Sharon Yazzie, Program Supervisor III Office of Dine' Youth – Shiprock Agency