

JUNE 2025

**HBMI** 

# NEWSLETTER

## Head Start students graduate!







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The Maliseet Head Start program bid adieu to another class of students with a special graduation ceremony on May 22.









#### **Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians Education Department** Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA)

88 Bell Road, Littleton Maine 04730 Telephone: (207) 532-4273 or 1-800-564-8524 Fax Number: (207) 532-2660

WE'RE HIRING FOR TEMPORARY WORK! NOW AVAILABLE:

#### 2025 Adult Work Experience PROGRAM

- Adults must be the ages 18 and up
- Maliseet Tribal citizen of Houlton.
- Learn employment skills and gain experience to become more
- Up to forty (40) hours of training per week
- Compensated weekly starting at a rate of \$15.00/hr.
- Supportive Services available.
- Classroom Training services available.

#### 2025 Summer Youth Training PROGRAM

- Youth must be the ages of 16 to 21 (up to 24 if considered out of school or dropout)
- Maliseet Tribal citizen of Houlton.
- Learn employment skills and training to become more employable.
- Up to forty (40) hours of training per week
- Be compensated weekly, at a rate of \$15.00/hr.

#### ALL APPLICATIONS must include documentation of all household income to be considered.

Interested individuals may contact Amber Wire at 532-4273 x210 or by email at awire@maliseets.com for more information.

WIOA Applications will be available upon request. Deadline for completed WIOA applications is: TBA WIOA applications must be returned to Amber Wire, Edu. Dept., Administration Building.

## HEALTHY LANDS, HEALTHY PEOPLE, HEALTHY CULTURE

## **Health Fair 2025**

Join us for our annual community health fair!

**SATURDAY, JUNE 28 • 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. HBMI COMMUNITY CENTER 568 FOXCROFT ROAD** 

PRIZES AND **GIVEAWAYS!** 





## **Learn How SUN Bucks** Can Help Feed Kids **Over the Summer!**

SUN Bucks is a grocery benefit program to help families buy food during the summer when schools are closed. Each eligible school-age child receives a one-time payment of \$120. Children who get these benefits can also participate in other summer meal programs

#### How does SUN Bucks work?

SUN Bucks benefits are loaded onto an EBT card and can be used to buy food like fruits, vegetables, meat, whole grains, and dairy at grocery stores, farmers markets, and other places that accept EBT benefits.

#### How do I get SUN Bucks?

#### **Automatic Enrollment**

Your child will be automatically enrolled for SUN Bucks and does not need to

- They completed an application for school meal benefit and were found
- eligible or Age 6-16 and part of a household that already participates in SNAP, FDPIR, TANF, MaineCare at 185% FPL or identified as foster, homeless, or migrant by OFI or OCFS.

Keep an eye out! Automatically enrolled households will receive benefits starting in June on an existing Pine Tree card or on a new EBT card in the mail.

#### **Manual Application**

Most families will be automatically enrolled. If you haven't received a letter in the mail by June, consider applying for SUN Bucks before August 15 if:

- Your child attends a school that offers the National School Lunch or School Breakfast Program, and
- Your household meets the requirements for free or reduced-price school meal benefit.

#### Do you have a new address?

Make sure your address is up to date with your school and with the Office for Family Independence so your SUN Bucks benefits are sent to the right place!

Update your information by calling OFI at (855) 797-4357

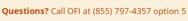


Don't wait to use your

SUN Bucks expire after 122

For more information: Maine.gov/dhhs/ofi

To apply: Go to MyMaineConnection.gov or fill out a paper application at Maine.go







#### **HOULTON BAND OF MALISEET INDIANS**

## **NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS DAY**



We cordially invite you to join us in celebrating and paying tribute to our Maliseet Veterans for their selfless service and sacrifices.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025

10 AM - RAISING OF THE FLAGS AT THE MALISEET VETERANS **CEMETERY, FOLLOWED BY BRUNCH** ative American AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER, 568 FOXCROFT RD., HOULTON.







Elder Center phone # -- 532-7780 Elder Coordinator -- Danya Boyce

All regular meals begin at 11 a.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	Kielbasa on a roll Potato Salad Green Beans Pudding / Cool Whip	4	Meatloaf Potatoes/Squash Crescent Rolls Fruit Salad/Cool Whip	6	7
8	9	10 Fish Burger on a Bun Oven Fries Three Bean Salad Cupcakes	11	Shepherd's Pie Green Peas Pickles / Rolls Cake	13	14
HAPPY FAIHERS Day	16	Hamburgers Hot Dogs Cole Slaw 100% Fruit Juice Ice Cream Sundae	18	No Meal Juneteenth TRIBAL OFFICES CLOSED	20 First Day of Summer	21 Veterans Ceremony and Brunch 10 A.M.
22	23	Chop Suey Green Salad Rolls Jello	25	BINGO  Build Your Owr  Sandwich  Rolls / Sadie's Bre  Chips / Soda  Assorted Pies		Health Fair 10 a.m1 p.m. Community Center
28	30	1	2	3	4	5





THE BEST

### BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB

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10 00
☐ Inform staff by Monday morning at 9am if your child will be attending & require transportation home
Youth need to come with their backpack & homework, as we have an hour designated for homework

#### Notes

- Please be aware that while we have an hour designated for homework time, there may be occasions when this period is shortened due to programs? activities. We highly encourage youth to do their homework during this time. However, if they choose not to, they will still participate in an educational activity such as HYLA or STEM.
- Transportation starts at 5:30pm. Youth need to be picked up by 5:45pm

Community Health

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	SUMMER MEETING 5:30PM VIA ZOOM / IN PERSON MANDATORY	3 T.R.A.I.L	4 LANGUAGE W/ DOLORES	5 BIRCH BARK / BROWN ASH HARVESTING	6 Father Daughter Dance 6-8pm	7	
8	PASSPORT TO MANHOOD SMART GIRLS	†.R.A.I.L	LANGUAGE W/	Rsu 29 Graduation Last Day of Club	13	14	
15	BGC CLOSED	BGC CLOSED	BGC CLOSED	HBMI Offices closed; Holiday	20	21	
22	HBMI CLOSED	24 First day of Summer Program	25	26	27	28 HEALTH FAIR 10A-1P	
29	30	1	2	3	4	5 BOYS & GIFLS CARE	

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#### **Reminders**

- AM transport will begin at 8am.
- AM drop off at the Community Center
- Youth need to bring appropriate water clothing & towel
- PM transport will begin at 3pm.
- Youth need to be picked up by 3:45pm

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## **Tribal News & Announcements**

## Skitkomiq Camp returns July 9-30

The Natural Resources Department will host Kids who want to attend camp can be dropped Skitkomig Camp for 4 weeks in July (one day a off at Natural Resources building or we can pick week on a Wednesdays) to provide learning them up at the community center in the sessions for tribal youth grade 5-8. This year's morning. Applications will be available May 12. Skitkomig Camp will be held July 9-30, from 9 a.m. Register on time by June 30 to receive free to 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Youth are encouraged to talk and engage on For more information or an application, contact: environmental topics related to archeology, fisheries, water quality, plant and forest ecology. Maliseet traditions are incorporated in these topics, including crafting and cooking.

It introduces tribal youth to hands on experiences such as archery on the nature trail, canoeing on Conroy Lake, and fish identification.

There will be field trips this summer to tour Mi'kmag Farms fish hatchery and garden and a tour of the Tekakapimək Contact Station at Katahdin Woods and Waters.

movie tickets.

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### **Tribal Food Pantry Schedule**

The Maliseet Tribal Food Pantry offers pickups on Tuesdays, from 8-4 p.m. and delivers to Elders on Thursdays in June. FMI: call Ashley Foster-Kinney at 207-694-5254.



