

NATIVE YOUTH PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

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Love is Sacred

With Valentine's Day around the corner, it's important to remember teen dating violence is common. In 2021, a CDC Youth Risk Behavior Survey found 1 in 12 students experience physical dating violence and 1 in 10 experienced sexual dating violence. It's important to have these discussions with youth as they go to middle school and high school.

Dating violence can result in short-term and long-term negative effects such as anxiety, depression, or engaging in unhealthy behaviors. However, this can be prevented by teaching skills to the youth that will help to create and maintain healthy relationships, including managing feelings and healthy communication.

For more information on dating abuse, visit:

www.loveisrespect.org/resources/the-what-why-and-how-of-tdvam/

Upcoming Events

Monthly Theme:
Healthy Hearts

- **Feb. 4:** WCSD Title VI: Round Dance, 6-8 pm, Coral Cliffs PLC, St. George
- **Feb. 8:** Super Bowl Party, PITU Gym, 4 pm
- **Feb. 13:** Love is Sacred Valentine's Day Round Dance, PITU Gym, 5:30 pm
- **Feb. 14:** Happy Valentine's Day
- **Feb 16:** President's Day - No school

See full calendar of events at PITU.gov/Native-Youth/



Youth Book Club!

Thanks to all who have been attending our youth book club! Our next books will be:

- *Powwow Days* by Traci Sorell (5-8 yrs)
- *Maria Tallchief* by Christine Day (9-12 yrs)
- *Stealing Little Moon* by Dan SaSuWeh Jones (13-18 yrs)

Remember, the first 10 people to register in each age category will get a free book, so keep an eye out for the flyer, which will include the meeting date!



Response to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)

The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah released a statement regarding ICE on Jan. 12, 2026.* As their presence has been growing, here are some ways to support and empower families:

- **Ensure your state and Tribal IDs are up to date.** For PITU identification, contact Rebecca Hill at 435-586-1112 or rhill@pitu.gov
- **Always carry identification with you.**
- **Remain calm and request proper identification.**
- **Keep personal contact information readily available.**

Along with a Tribal ID, you can get your youth a normal state identification card. To do this in Utah, visit <https://dld.utah.gov/id-card-original/>

* To view the whole statement, visit the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah's website (PITU.gov) and scroll down to "Recent News" or visit the Tribe's Facebook page.



Youth Registration

Please ensure that all Native youth are registered, as it is required for participation in the activities. To register, visit our website at <https://PITU.gov/Native-Youth> or use the QR code below.

