

As most of you know, the Education Department discontinued in-person services to the membership on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Throughout the spring and summer, each Program within the Department has worked to provide as much service as possible while balancing the safety of employees, students and families. In looking ahead towards the 20/21 School Year, the Department has developed a Department-wide COVID Response Plan which has been supported by the General Manager and Tribal Council.

The Education Department realizes this school year will pose new challenges for our students and families. We are excited to announce the highlights for the newly adopted Education Department COVID Response Plan. The Plan went into effective September 1, 2020 and we are working diligently to develop these services and will roll out delivery of these services as soon as possible, so stay tuned for more information on the CTGR Education Programs Facebook Page.

Below is a summary of the highlights of the Plan:

- Technology Assistance Program: Allocation of \$500 in funding to assist with the purchase of technology equipment to support Tribal Member students grades K-College.
- Distance learning with weekly physical distance visits for all pre-school students in ECE and Language Program.
- Internet classrooms for K-3 immersion students as well as K-12 students in the community.
- Academic coaching services for K-12 Tribal Member students regardless of location.
- Academic advising services for K-12 Tribal Member students in Grand Ronde/Willamina/Sheridan area.
- Continuation of hihi lakaset Project for Tribal Member students, regardless of location, on a monthly basis.
- Adult Chinuk language classes offered weekly on a virtual platform.
- Education/Career coaching services offered through Higher Education with a focus on assisting Tribal Members with preparing for their educational and/or career journey.
- Enhanced family support services with expansion of home visits.
- Continuation of literacy programs such as Summer Reading Program. The Library will be offering a Fall, Winter, and Spring Reading Program as well.
- Implementation of a mobile library for our community.