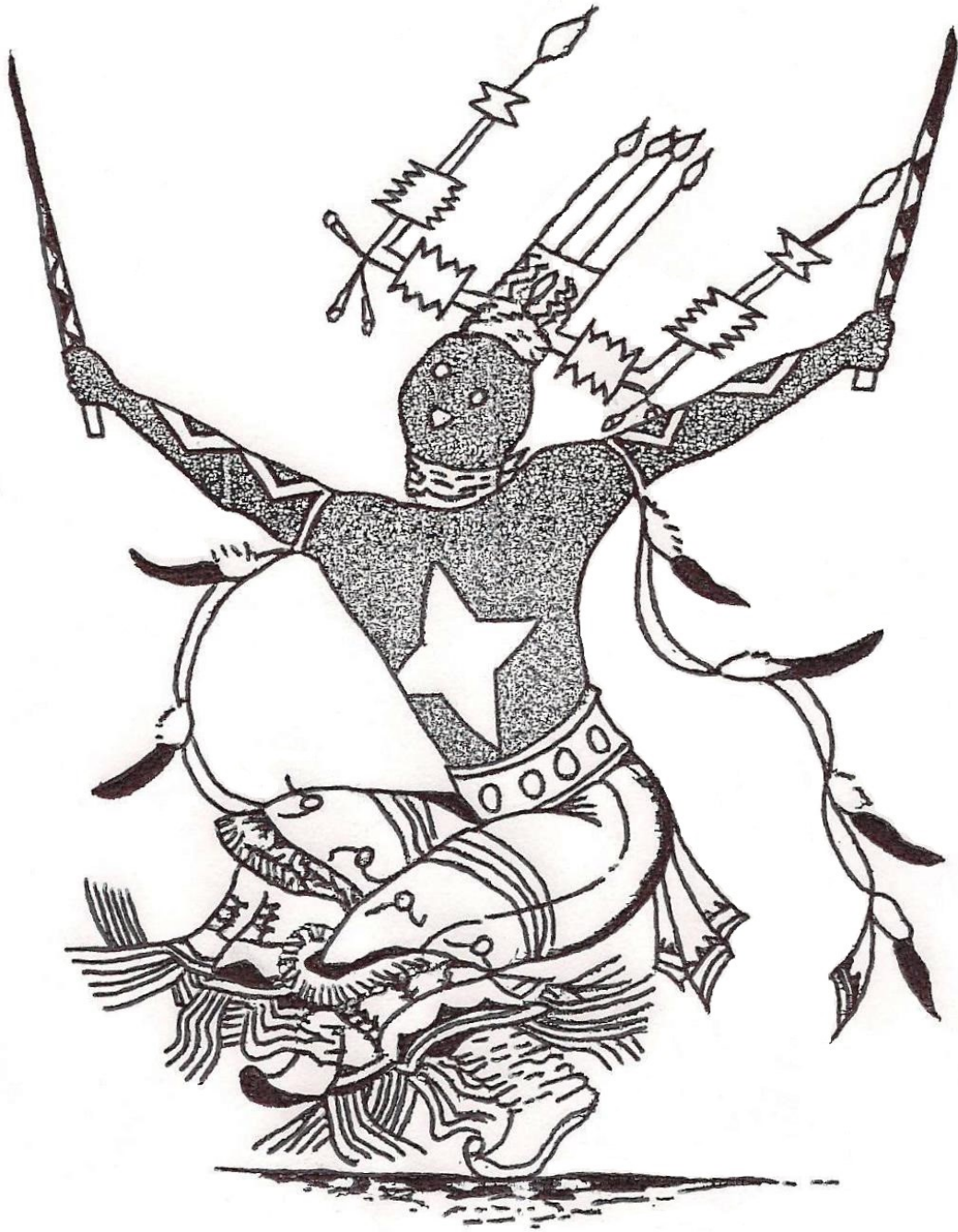


Apache Scout



Mescalero Apache Tribe

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MESCALERO APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION

NOTICE: CLASS II – MODERATE FIRE DANGER RESTRICTIONS

EFFECTIVE : August 12, 2023 (Until rescinded or superseded)

CLASS II - FIRE RESTRICTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

No restrictions in place for burning of organic slash piles. A courtesy call to the BIA Branch of Wildland Fire Management (575-464-4419) and Mescalero Fire and Rescue (575-464-3473) is requested prior to ignition.

No restrictions in place for campfires, charcoal grills, and wood-burning stoves. Ensure ashes are cold and out. Dwellings with fireplaces or wood burning (cooking or heating) stoves shall have proper screens installed to prevent the escape of burning embers (homeowner's responsibility).

Smoking outdoors permitted, if extinguished in a proper container.

Chainsaws and other internal or external combustion engines must always be equipped with a properly functioning spark arrestor.

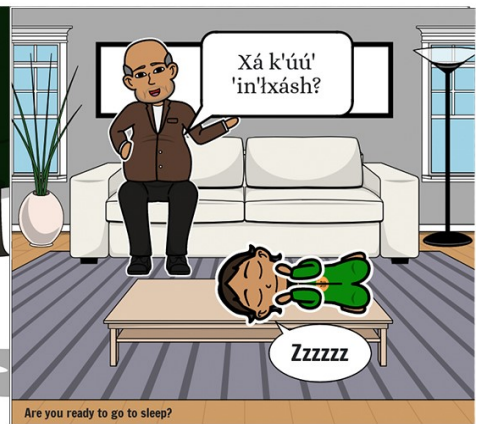
Fireworks of any kind are never permitted.

These restrictions are a reflection of current wildland fire hazard conditions on the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation and are being implemented for public safety. The above restrictions will remain in effect until rescinded under authority of Mescalero Apache Tribal Resolution No. 09-59. Personnel exempt from the above restrictions include Federal and Tribal employees, such as Tribal Resource Managers and Bureau of Indian Affairs Employees while in the performance of their official duties. These restrictions will be enforced by the Branch of Law Enforcement Services and the Tribal Conservation Department under authority Title 18, Sections 1855 and 1856 USC and Tribal Statutes 10-5-4, 10-5-5, 10-5-6, 17-12-3 through 17-12-5 and 17-18-1.

Bernadine R. V. acting
PRESIDENT,
Mescalero Apache Tribe

SHERRY KAZHE-
GARCIA
SUPERINTENDENT,
BIA, Mescalero Agency

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Nde Bizaa Language Program. Temporarily located in the old bowling alley.

dee'zhaa'	"I am going to go hunting"
deejaa'	"we are going to go hunting"
dánee'ldáá	"early in the morning"
kahée'	"coffee"
tu	"water"
'iltíí'	"rifle"
k'aa'	"bullets"
besb	"knife"
'étsu	"jacket"
dáne	"food"



bąas'í bituí	"gas"
gułgayá	"clearing, open space"
dził'á	"there in the mountains"
guńłch'íl	"area with thick brush"
husí	"I missed my shot"
tsiní yee'yá	"in the woods"
'isélxí	"I killed it"
ni'ish'a	"I am going to butcher"
'itsí	"meat"
sha'uu'á	"evening time"



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MESCALERO APACHE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

Back to  **SCHOOL** *August 2023*

School is fast approaching and we could always use some inspiration for ourselves & for our YOUTH. Here are some tips to keep in mind as they enter a new school year!

STAR method

S-Stop and take a deep breath
T-Think of all your choices
A-Anticipate what could happen(good/bad) as a result of your choices
R-Respond by selecting the best choice for what to do.
 *Ask your child to identify challenges for specific subjects /social interaction
 *Work with your child/ren to create a list of people they can lean on for support

Be child/rens biggest advocate!!



- Boost your child's Self-Esteem/Self-Image
- Support them through school changes & transitions
- Fuel their minds and bodies w/nutritious snacks

We currently are servicing our Tularosa kids.



ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH

CLUB STAFF HAS BEEN KEEPING BUSY WITH PREPARING AND GETTING CLASSROOMS READY FOR THE AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM. PLANNING, CLEANING, & LESSON PLANS



MBGC

participated in the Youth Summit August 15, 2023.

We had goodie bags, information about Club, and a ball toss game with our treasure chest prizes!

Most of the Staff also took a group picture with Pauline Alexis AKA "Willie Jack" from Reservation Dogs.



Mescalero School start date will be Monday, August 21, 2023.

We are looking forward to having a full Club and began implementing our Lesson Plans prepared.



How does tribal child support work?

Child Support refers to payments one parent makes to their child's other parent or legal guardian to help with the costs of raising the child.

Here are the services our tribal child support program provides:

- **Find the other parent:** We can try to find the other parent to establish parentage and a support order.
- **Establish parentage:** We can help parents establish a legal relationship with their child through a quick and easy form or genetic testing.
- **Establish and enforce a support order:** We can establish an order that provides support for your child. When the other parent doesn't pay the full amount or doesn't pay at all, we can use enforcement options like withholding child support from their paycheck.
- **Review or modify the order:** We can review your order and, if appropriate, modify it based on a change in income or circumstances.

Our program also has culturally specific elements:

- **Cultural understanding:** Our program knows the community and works to help children financially, emotionally, and holistically. We can make referrals to community and culturally-based programs.
- **Hands on experience:** We're uniquely positioned to walk you through our tribal child support process and family-centered approach.

Did you know?

Our office can help parents who have cases with other tribal and state programs.

Have questions?

We're here for you! Contact us to learn more.

Mescalero Apache Tribal Child Support Enforcement Office

Phone: 575-464-2577

Email: kcervantes@matisp.net

tdiaz@matisp.net

urplatta@matisp.net





2022 Tribal Child Support *Providing Support for Our Families*

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Tribes operate
child support
programs

Tribal programs provide services to Native American families consistent with tribal values and cultures. The programs find parents, establish legal fatherhood (paternity), and set and enforce child support orders.

Tribal Child Support in FY 2022

\$51 million

in child support
was collected by
tribal programs

97%

of child support
collected went
to families

76%

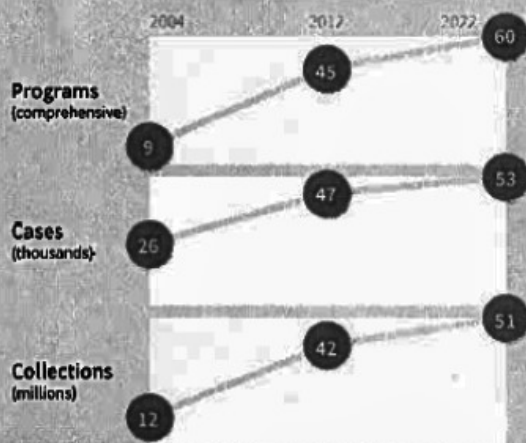
of cases have
a child support
order

A Growing Partnership

\$10 million

From the \$51 million collected,
tribal programs sent \$10 million
to other tribes, states, or countries

Tribal Program Growth 2004–2022



Office of Child Support Services
330 C Street, SW
Washington, DC 20201
<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css>





Here are some FAQ MATCSEO gets asked on a regular.

- **How does Custodial parents receive payments?** All CP's (Custodial Parents) will receive a check in their name. When we receive a payment, it is processed within our office and mailed out. If the payment is in the form of a Money Order, then it is submitted to the MAT Accounting Dept. so that a tribal check can be issued. This is an assurance measure. If a tribal check was lost in the mail or damaged, we can have the Accounting Department put a stop to that check and have it reissued which our office is unable to do with a Money Order. All payments are mailed; therefore, we ask for CP's to update their addresses as soon as possible.
- **Who do I make the money order out to?** Please make all money orders out to MATCSEO. We do not accept personal checks. Payments can be submitted to the MATCSE office directly or mailed to PO BOX 300, MESCALERO NM 88340
- **What is an IWO?** Income Withholding Order. When the MAT Court orders child support, MATCSEO will issues a Notice to Withhold to the employer of the paying parent(NCP). The IWO will list a specific amount of current child support and arrears payment that is to be withheld from the paying parent's(NCP) wages each month in accordance with their child support order.
- **Where is your office located?** We are located at 454 Lipan Avenue, Mescalero NM 88340, between the Care Center and Elderly Building, in the old assisted living area. Please call 575-464-2577 if needing more directions.
- **How long does it take to get child support established?** The time frame for MATCSEO to get an Order to Establish Child Support varies on several actions. The most important thing is to have cooperation from the involved parties. Once MATCSEO receives an application, the first step will be to set up Intake appointments with both parents. We do schedule both parties separately to avoid any conflict. We will request that certain documents be submitted during that appointment. Once all documents are submitted, the case is then reviewed and calculations are prepared. Our office does use a Shared Income Module when preparing cases. This simply means that we look at the situation as if both parents are living in the same household, what percentage of income the mother would bring to the household and what percentage the father would bring to the household. We then use those percentages to calculate the child support amount. Once child support calculations are prepared, the case is given to the Director to approve the child support calculations and recommendations. Once those are approved, the case is then forwarded to the Legal Advocate who will pursue the child support establishment. If both parties have cooperated thus far and can agree to the terms, then child support establishment can be done in office through a Stipulated Agreement which would be signed in agreement by both parties, then filed with the court for a Judge's review and if accepted, it will be signed and issued as an order by the Judge. If one or both parties do not agree to the terms, MATCSEO will pursue the same stipulations by filing a Petition with the court for a court hearing. Depending on the clients' cooperation, MATCSEO may decide to pursue establishment directly by filing a petition with the court. The most important factor that influences the time it takes to process a case is the cooperation of both parents.

PUBLIC SAFETY NOTICE



BIA/OJS Mescalero Agency wants to remind Mescalero residents, employees, and visitors that if Emergency Services are needed, please call:

911

OR if it is a NON-EMERGENCY call:

575-464-4479

Post the above number on your refrigerator or save it in your cell phone.

If you need an ambulance, fire truck, law enforcement or conservation services call RIGHT AWAY. ANY of these Mescalero employees (Police, Fire/Rescue, and Conservation) are dispatched from on-duty Communications Officer that have protocols and procedures to follow in getting other on-duty employees to respond.

If you do not call right away, the respond time will only be delayed and as we all know, in emergency circumstances, seconds count. Lastly, I'd like to request that if/when residents see something suspicious, PLEASE CALL IT IN.

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY
SOMETHING (REPORT IT)**

Stay safe,

Chief of Police James Vepley, BIA/OJS Mescalero Agency

Places of business/service: Remind employees/staff to discuss the importance of reporting something suspicious. Call Dispatch at 575-464-4479 so that officers can be dispatched promptly to investigate. If it is an emergency, call 911.

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Office of Justice Services

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Religion

Mescalero Reformed Church

Centering Prayer

I'm guessing, more often than not, when we think of prayer we think of public prayer during communal worship. We think of our prayer of confession or the Lord's prayer. If we do think of prayer from an individual standpoint, I imagine we think of prayers before meals or before bed. Yesterday, I read an interesting article from Faithward all about centering prayer.

In short, a centering prayer incorporates all three characteristics of contemplative prayer practices: silence, solitude, and stillness. It moves beyond conversation with God to communion. This Faithward article, written by Tia Norman, helps us to realize that by participating in a centering prayer we dismantle the false self and we move closer to Jesus. By leaning in to Matthew 6 and Jesus' call to "go into your inner room and pray," Norman writes: "This verse is inviting us to remember that the sacred space is

within us. In the ancient world, to have a closet, to have an inner room, would have meant that you were one of the elite. Because this is a teaching of Jesus, it has to be something that is accessible to all. What a centering prayer helps us to do is to enter into that inward experience for ourselves, being moved and motivated by the Spirit.

The intention of centering prayer is to consent to God's action and presence within. When we're moving into our inner room, we could simply close our eyes. In some cultures, it would have been represented by an actual prayer cloth or shawl, which would have covered the individual who was going in to pray. This idea of taking time to close ourselves to the outside world and what's going on and moving towards the divine, the Holy Spirit, that resides within us, helps us to anchor ourselves and also offer some theological grounding when it comes to con-

templative practices."

This is all to say, I wonder if a centering prayer might be a helpful practice for you. It might involve a prayer shawl or even lighting a candle, but it could be as simple as closing your eyes and allowing the Good Shepherd to lead you in silence for a moment or two. As you are beginning another busy school year filled with activities, practices, and schedules, perhaps a daily centering prayer might be helpful in removing the false self of perfection and posturing your physical and spiritual body towards your Creator.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Mark

Please know that you are always welcome to worship God and experience His mercy at Mescalero Reformed Church, as our arms (and our doors) are open to you if you are looking for a church home or just want to come visit.

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Sunday Worship

*9:30 - Sunday School
for all ages - Children
and Adults*

10:40 - Worship

***Opportunities for Fel-
lowship and Encour-
agement***

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*- every Tuesday at
6:00 pm in the sanctu-
ary.*

Women's Gathering -
*every Wednesday at
9:00 am in the church
basement.*

Men's Bible Study -
*every Wednesday at
6:00 pm in the sanctu-
ary.*

***Youth Group for Mid-
dle and High School -***
Monday at 6:00 pm.

Kids' Club - Thursday
at 3:15 pm.

Call Directory—Tribal Departments & Programs

Administration Offices	464-4494
Accounting	464-9251
Boys & Girls Club-Mescalero	464-9212
Boys & Girls Club-Carrizo	464-6814
Care Center	464-4802
Cattle Growers	464-4703
Child Care Center-Mescalero	464-9224
Child Care Center-Carrizo	464-3000
CHR	464-9256
Center Maintenance	464-9260
Conservation Law Enforcement	464-9323
Cultural Center & Museum	464-9254
DRMP	464-4711
Early Childhood	464-9328
Education	464-4500
Elderly Center	464-1614
Emergency Management	464-4711
Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)	464-9216
Fence Crew	464-4711
Fire & Rescue	464-3473
Fish Hatchery	464-8768
Fitness Center	464-4368
Sawmill	464-4720
Four Directions Treatment & Recovery (<i>Rehab</i>)	464-4432

Gas Company	464-4323
Head Start-Mescalero	464-9183
Head Start-Carrizo	464-3492
Health Ed./Diabetes Program	464-6383
Historic Preservation	464-3005
Housing	464-9235
Housing Warehouse	464-9159
Human Resources	464-9276
Land Office	464-4974
Language Program	464-2152
Library	464-5010
MATI	464-4039
Parks & Recreation	464-2988
Patient Benefits	464-9232
Prosecutor's Office	464-9205
Prevention Program	464-4516
Public Defender's	464-9213
Social Services	464-9328
Swimming Pool	464-9248
Tribal Court	464-0414
Tribal Maintenance	464-9289
Tribal Roads	464-4311
Tribal Store	464-9319
Tribal Utilities	464-0254
VAWA	464-0079
WIOA	464-9217

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Assembly of God	464-4747
Baptist Church	464-4659
Reformed Church	464-4471
St. Joseph's Mission	464-4473
BIA Offices:	
Facilities	464-4282
Forestry	464-4419

East L.A.	464-4549
Old Road	464-4674
IHS	464-4441
Inn of the Mountain Gods	464-7777
Mescalero Post Office	464-4550
Mescalero Schools	464-4431
Ruidoso Schools	(575) 630-7000
Tularosa Schools	(575) 585-8800
WIC Office	464-0932

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