

## SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT PHILOSOPHY

Indians are born speaking our languages. For some of us, they lie dormant within our bodies. They are looking for a way out. God gave us these beautiful languages. All of us hold them in a sacred manner within. There is no such thing as an Indian person who cannot speak Indian.

Our language programs find these languages within our bodies. They bring them out through our mouths and deliver them to their rightful resting places within our hearts.



**Talk Sauk.**  
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### NOTICE TO JOM PARENTS/STUDENTS

Due to the variance between the school supply requirements of the different schools within the Sac and Fox Nation jurisdiction, the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department will no longer hand out school supplies, but will once again provide Wal-Mart gift cards in the amount of \$30.00 to assist students with the purchase of school supplies. A properly completed "Request for Service" form will need to be submitted to the Education Department before a card will be issued. The Education Department will begin accepting requests on

July 2, 2012. Cards will only be issued to students enrolled with the Sac and Fox Nation Johnson O'Malley Program. Receipts for purchases made with the gift cards are required to be turned in to the Sac and Fox Nation Education Department by the end of the 2012-2013 school year. Failure to do so may result in a loss of services from the program.

Please note that the JOM school supply assistance is separate and distinct from the Sac and Fox Nation tribal School Clothing/School Supply Grant program.



Sauk Language Pilot Visiting Speaker Program: (l-r) Katie Grant, Sauk Language Dept.; Hilda Youngbear, Tama; and Jacob Manatowa Bailey, Sauk Language Director.

*In reference to Chief Thurman's article on front page*

### A Word From Sauk Language Director, Jacob Manatowa Bailey

"The Sauk language elective class at Shawnee High School is the cumulative result of years of second language learning and teaching preparation on the part of the Sauk Language Department. This is a historic event for Sac and Fox Nation, and is one of the few immersion native language programs in a public school in the country. The implementation of this course was accomplished by the collective effort of Shawnee Schools, the Sac and Fox Nation Business Committee, and the Sauk Language Department. We look forward to working with other school districts within the Sac and Fox jurisdiction to develop further immersion programs in the future."

#### SEPTEMBER 2012 WORD LIST FOR ALL PUZZLES

summer	pens/pencils
penâwi	read
Autumn	learn
takwâkiwi	shkônihikâni
hot (weather)	shehkîtâkani
wîshatêwi	clothes
now/today	anepyêhikani
înoki	kewêpinahiwipena
school	nâpâtôtâthowa

#### SEPTEMBER 2012 WORD MATCH MATCH THE ENGLISH WORD TO THE SAUK WORD

SUMMER	TAKWÂKIWI
AUTUMN	WÎSHATÊWI
HOT (WEATHER)	SHEHKÎTÂKANI
NOW/TODAY	PENÂWI
SCHOOL	KEWÊPINAHIWIPENA
READ	ÎNOKI
LEARN	NÂPÂTÔTÂTHOWA
CLOTHES	ANEPYÊHIKANI
PENS/PENCILS	SHKÔNIHIKÂNI

#### SEPTEMBER 2012 WORD SCRAMBLE UNSCRAMBLE THE SAUK AND ENGLISH WORDS

smeumr	_____
Tlshoec	_____
Autnmu	_____
wo thte)ar(he	_____
ondtoywa/	_____
ooschl	_____
e/psnnpiscei	_____
raed	_____
raenl	_____
iâwepn	_____
kkiaitâww	_____
îhwaiêstw	_____
oînki	_____
iâhhnsknikôi	_____
hketshîanâki	_____
yinaêpaieknh	_____
pkweiihwanênapi	_____
hwotâtâptânao	_____

#### September 2012

#### Âmanôh (Rutting Moon)

Quotes of the Month: \*\*

**"When our young people can no longer speak their language, then cultural genocide has taken place."**

Darlene Pipe-Boy, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate

**"I think you're fighting for something that is so important. If you don't have language, the culture disappears."**

Sen. Tom Udall, D-N.M.

**"Native American students [generally] learn better when there is something about their tribe or culture that is integrated into the curriculum. It is very important that Native American students get to know their language and their culture. That is the bottom line -- that all school districts that have a high population of Native American students do that."**

Marty Conrad, Choctaw/Creek

**Don't be afraid to ask questions of your elders. Ask while they are still here, because when they are gone, that's another piece of our oral history that disappears forever that you can't get back. Ask now and retain that knowledge. Teach your children this knowledge. Pass it on. It's our duty for the generations to come."**

Conrad Brown, Meskwaki

\*\*<http://www.nativevillage.org/Libraries/Quotes>

## SAUK LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS AND NEWS

#### AUGUST 2012

#### Âmanôh (Rutting Moon)

#### STROUD COMMUNITY CLASS IS COMING!!

Join us beginning Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Bring your favorite potluck, and enjoy the food, fun, and of course, SAUK LANGUAGE!

Stroud Community Class will be every Monday and Thursday from 6 PM TO 7:30 PM

Sac and Fox Learning Center

Up the hill from the Merle Boyd Center

Next to the Gym

Call Katie at 918-968-0070 for more information

#### Join Us Online!

Come join us online at [www.talksauk.com](http://www.talksauk.com) to see what all we have to offer: games, Pictionary, videos, etc. Visit our Facebook page where you can post your comments, and see what the latest classes and activities are ongoing:

**sac and fox language department**



We always welcome suggestions and/or comments from tribal members on programs you have attended, or would like to see scheduled. Call 918-968-0070 or 800-256-7552, or email [language@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov](mailto:language@sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov)

**KĪHTHĀKĪWĀTOWĒPENĀ!**

(Let's All Talk Sauk!)