



Athabaskan Cultural Values

- Self-sufficiency and Hard Work
- Care and Provision for the Family
- Family Relations and Unity
- Love for Children
- Village Cooperation and Responsibility to Village
- Humor
- Honesty and Fairness
- Sharing and Caring
- Respect for Elders and Others
- Respect for Knowledge & Wisdom from Life Experiences
- Respect for the Land and Nature
- Practice of Native Traditions
- Honoring Ancestors
- Spirituality



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MINTO FLATS ATHABASKAN VALUES

Every Athabaskan Is Responsible To All Other Athabaskan For the Survival Of Our Cultural Spirit, and the Values and Traditions Through Which it Survives. Through Our Extended Family, We Retain, Teach, and Live Our Athabaskan Way.

With guidance and support from elders, we must teach our children Athabaskan values:

Knowledge of Language
Sharing
Respect for Others
Cooperation
Respect for Elders
Love for Children
Hard Work
Knowledge of Family Tree
Avoid Conflict
Respect for Nature
Spirituality
Humor
Family Roles
Hunter Success
Domestic Skills
Humility
Responsibility to Tribe

Our Understanding of Our Universe and Our Place In It Is
A Belief In God and a Respect For All His Creations



Cup'ik Cultural Values

CUP'IK VALUES

As shared by the elders

- Help other people.
- Help with family chores and needs.
- Early to bed and early to rise.
- Provide time to see how your life is going.
- There's always time to play AFTER your work is done.
- Pingnatugyaraq: learn to do things yourself.
- Respect and honor your elders
- Always show good behavior
- Listen to all advice given to you.
- Remember what you are taught and told.
- Respect other peoples belongings.
- Respect the animals you catch for food.
- Gather knowledge and wisdom from the elders.
- Never give up in trying to do what you set your mind on.

THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

- A balance between learning from books and learning from life.
- A balance between the present and the past
- A balance between the planned experiences and the experience of planning.
- A balance between intellectual and behavioral goals.
- A balance between traditional school curriculum and the unique needs of Cup'ik students.



Iñupiaq Cultural Values

Iñupiat Iitquasiat

Every Iñupiaq is responsible to all other Iñupiat for the survival of our cultural spirit, and the values and traditions through which it survives. Through our extended family, we retain, teach, and live our Iñupiat way.

With guidance and support from Elders, we must teach our children Iñupiaq values:

Knowledge of Language
Sharing
Respect for Others
Cooperation
Respect for Elders
Love for Children
Hard Work
Knowledge of Family Tree
Avoidance of Conflict
Respect for Nature
Spirituality
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Our understanding of our universe and our place in it is a belief in God and respect for all his creations.



Tlingit Cultural Values

TLINGIT VALUES

Dr. Walter Soboleff shared his thoughts on Native values. Values influence a person's view of the world and guide actions. How do these values influence your child in school?

Respect

For self and others, including elders.

Remember

our Native traditions, our families, sharing, loyalty, pride, and loving children.

Responsibility

Truth

and wise use of words.

Care

of subsistence areas, care of property

Reverence

"We have one great word in our culture: haa shageinyaa. This was a Great Spirit above us, and today we have translated that reverence to God." He said

Sense of humility

Care of human body

Dignity

The Tlingit word for dignity is yan gaa duunek.

Peace

Peace with the family, peace with the neighbors, peace with the others, and peace with the world of Nature.



VALUES of the Unangan/Unangas

<i>Unangaŕ</i>	<i>Unanga{</i>

Qawalangin / Nii}u}is

Eastern dialect / Western dialect

Values of the *Unangan/Unangas*

Kudalii}in maqa{takan txichin aguqangin / Kadaangis maqa{tal txichix aguqangis The way of our beginning, our ancestors

Udaadan tanangin kugan Unangan anangin / Udaadan Unangam tanangin kugan anangis Our people's land and sea around here

I{taqangin lulalix matalix an}a}iingin matakun / Hi{tanangis lulal ama matal an}a}iingin matakus/ Believe in them and keep them going through time

Aniqdum ngiin aqaa}an a}nangin qulingiin aku{ gumalgaku{. / Kinguu}ingin wan slum kugan haqaa}an a}nangin qulaan aku{ gumalgaku{. For the coming generations that we don't see yet, for their time here.

--Father Michael Lestenkof

An}a}iisi{ matanaan imin i{amnakuf. Ana}i{ ukunachin imchin ugutaasaamchim a}na{txichin. /An}a}iisiin sigaf imis aku{ mal sigaan inixsiisada. Life is gifted to you. What you make of it is your gift in return.

Tuman ilaanu}itxin, Unangan maqa{tadqangin mataa}in matakun. / An}a}iisiin, ilaazat ama Ulamis an}a}inangis maqa{singis ida{talagada. Know your family tree, relations and people's history.

Tana}nangin I}ayuusalix an}a}iimchin a}na{txichin. / Tana{, Ala}u{ ama slum imuunuu huzuu ana}im ana}in}is sahnga{tada. Live with and respect the land, sea, and all nature.

Wan ala}um ilan ana}im an}a}inangin usuu Aguu}u{ agach ngiin a}iqaa. / Algas ama ana}im an}a}ingis huzungis Aguu}um agacha ngiin a}iqaa haqataasada. Respect and be aware of the creator in all living things.

Txin achigalix an}a}igumin anuxtanatxin a{saasaduuku{txin. / Huzugaan txin achiga{ agacha mada ama txin sakaa}atada. Always learn and maintain a balance.

Qaqamii}u{ qalgadam ukulganaa ngiin ugutaasakun. / Qaqamii}u{ qalgada{ an}a}i{ ngiin a{tanaa aku{. Subsistence is sustenance for the life.

Unangam tunuu unangqasining asix tunu{talaa}naqing. Unangan anaan Uku{tach}iku{. / Unangam tunuu Unangas alganaa ukuchiza{ ama huzu{ ngiin tunu{tach}iza{. Our language defines who we are and lets us communicate with one another.



Yup'ik Cultural Values

YUPIIT - YUUTAIT

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With Guidance and Support from Elders We must Teach our Children Yup'ik Values:

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Respect for Others
Sharing
Humility
Hard Work
Spirituality
Cooperation
Family Roles
Knowledge of Family Tree
Knowledge of Language
Hunter Success
Domestic Skills
Avoid Conflict
Humor
Respect For Land
Respect For Nature

By The Design Of Our Creator We Were Created Yup'ik In Space And Time;
Proud, For Generations To Come, Of The Values Given To Us By Our Creator.