

**Education Committee  
Career Services  
May Monthly Report  
Diane Kelley, Executive Director**

The **Alternative Education Program** had seven students pass all components of the HSE (GED®, HiSET®) Test during the month of April. Our total graduate count is **64** (**58** are Cherokee Nation citizens; **six** are members of different Federally Recognized tribes and **two** are/were clients of the Jack Brown Center.)

Brad Perry continues to cover the Sallisaw area due to our teacher vacancy in that area.

Planning is moving forward for the 2018 HSE Graduation to be held in September '18. Specific date and time to be determined soon.

Marcie Harris and Anna Christie will be attending the 2018 GED Conference in San Diego, CA from July 25-28. Alternative Education staff members will be attending the TOSS Conference at NSU on June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

The **Career Skills Education Classes** had 19 completions this month.

**Talking Leaves Job Corps** recognized Sexual Assault Awareness Month – Candy and Condoms; our slogan “Don’t be Dum Dum’s be Smarties”; RAINN (Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network) Day – April 5; and Denim Day on the 28<sup>th</sup> (shows your protest against sexual violence).

The Cherokee Nation **Vocational Rehabilitation Program** Special Assistant, Courtney Cowan



was selected to be a prestigious member of the Remember the Removal Bike Ride...please help me congratulate our Voc-Rehab Special Assistant for such a high honor. Courtney was also accepted into Radiology School and has resigned from her position. We will miss Courtney...but we are happy she is pursuing her life dreams and wish her the best. So as to prevent a gap or delay in services, Lucinda Washington has graciously agreed (and was approved) to help the Vocational Rehabilitation Program until we can find a replacement. This is an added duty on Lucy

but we are confident her knowledge, skills and abilities will be put to good use.

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program Director was invited to do a presentation for the Oklahoma Rehabilitation Council this month. The topic was our new Disability Employment Initiative Grant (DEI) from the US Dept. of Labor.



**Group: Education Services**

**Month/Year: May 2018**

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## **College Resource Center**

### **Spring 2018**

# of Spring 2018 scholarship awards thru 3/12/2018	3,419 (1,578 Pell, 1,487 NonPell, 354 Grad)
# of Promise students for Spring 2018 thru 3/12/18	39 (30 NSU, 8 RSU, 1 CSC)
# of Freshmen Supplemental students for Spring 2018 thru 3/12/18	43 (28 NSU, 9 RSU, 6 CSC)
# of Spring 2018 concurrent scholarships awards	398 (88 Juniors, 310 Seniors)
Valedictorian & Salutatorian (Class of 2018)	124 (93 Valedictorians, 31 Salutatorians)

### **School Year 2018-19 Applications Received as of May 11, 2018:**

- 1,391 Cherokee Nation Scholarships (Undergraduate, Graduate and/or Concurrent Enrollment) (Deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>)

### **Accomplishments:**

1. 101 Fall 2017 graduates - 4 continued on to graduate school
2. 202 Spring 2018 graduates

### **Outreach & Presentations:**

4/18/18—Presentation, Glenpool HS  
4/23/18—Table, Beggs Event Center  
4/25/18—App help, Salina HS  
4/26/18—App help, Chelsea HS  
4/27/18—Presentation, Warner HS  
4/30/18—Presentation, Colcord HS  
4/30/18—Presentation, Ft. Gibson HS  
5/2/18—Presentation, Webber Falls HS  
5/3/18—Table, Sauk College & Heritage Fair, Stroud  
5/3/18—Table, Tahlequah HS  
5/4/18—App help/Presentation, Muldrow HS  
5/7/18—App help/Presentation, Fairland HS  
5/7/18—Presentation Val/Sal, Jay HS  
5/8/18—Presentation, Roland HS  
5/8/18—Table, Photo ID Session, Miami Health Center  
5/9/18—Presentation, Westville HS  
5/10/18—Presentation, Braggs HS  
5/12/18—Table, Stilwell Strawberry Festival

**Future Plans:**

1. Scheduling of outreach and technical assistance sessions with 14-county and contiguous area schools for 2018-19 online applications.
2. Planning 2018 College & Career Fairs 2018 – Tahlequah and Northern Areas – October/November 2018  
TBD

**Head Start**

Activity	April	YTD
# of classrooms/sites	63 classrooms 21 sites	63 classrooms 21 sites
# of parent meetings conducted	28 Meetings Conducted	248 Conducted
# of site visits by HS/ECU staff	144 Site Visits	936 Conducted
# of PD hours completed	44.75 hours offered	357.00 hours offered
CC Expenditures - Travel	\$2,290.37	\$17,814.46

**Child Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Monthly Meal Counts and Reimbursement  
April 2018**

Breakfast – 5,200	Lunch – 5,444	Snack – 5,183
Total Food Cost – \$		Reimbursement – \$32,510.84

**Accomplishments:**

- 1) The Kenwood Head Start site received a new fence around the entire playground. The material used is a higher gage of fencing and should withstand the vandalism that occurs quite often at Kenwood.
- 2) The ECU received notice of a Cost of Living Allowance for all positions. The COLA will be a 2.6% increase in the base pay per position. The COLA application will be submitted in May.
- 3) Four managers attended the Education training hosted by the Choctaw Head Start in Durant. The primary focus for the training is to prepare for the federal review in regard to data collection, coaching and curriculum enrichment. The national mandate of Practice Based Coaching will be launched this fall in the new school year.
- 4) The ECU managers and supervisors have completed all the updates on the required documents and waiting to process for final approval from internal advisors.
- 5) A major accomplishment is interviewing and filling almost all vacancies with the exception of 6. This is a record low number at this time of year. All efforts are being made to fill the remaining vacancies before school starts this fall.

### Upcoming Initiatives:

- 1) Plans are underway to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> year of Head Start services beginning with the new school year. The 25<sup>th</sup> year of the ECU annual Early Childhood Conference in November will focus on celebration activities.
- 2) The Cherry Tree site sustained damages from the recent storm and will have repair work completed soon on the roof to replace shingles, a section of the fence and a playground piece.
- 3) A small scale re-org is being developed to accommodate the new Coaching initiative. Supervising staff will be reassigned to absorb a few duties of the designated coaches and no existing staff will be eliminated or no new staff added as a result of the re-org.
- 4) A college student group from Ardent Global Service Learning from Georgia and Alabama will volunteer at the ECU sites June 4-8, 2018 to complete special projects like gardens, painting and assisting in developing teaching materials. We appreciate the Community and Cultural Outreach program for including the ECU as a volunteer site.
- 5) The monthly Policy Council meeting is scheduled May 17, 2018.
- 6) The quarterly public school Superintendents meeting is scheduled June 20, 2018.

### JOM/ Johnson O'Malley Program

Activity	April/May			YTD
	JOM	Special Projects	Public School Outreach	YTD Total
# of students on program	26,190 (5/16/18)	-		26,007
# of schools participating	68	23	6	206
# of communities participating	3	-		3
# of special events	1	5	2	71
# participants students/adults	7	478/60	53	13,531/213
# of school staff participating	54	66	17	1301
# of contractors participating	4	2	1	109

### Accomplishments:

1. April 9 & 10. JOM Staff presented at National JOM Conference 2 workshops approximately 75 in each workshop
2. April 15<sup>th</sup> Also attended At Large Community Meeting in Arlington, VA
3. Technical Assistance provided to school JOM Contacts via phone – Bluejacket, Central, Chouteau-Maize, Foyil, Gans, Grand View, Greasy, Locust Grove, Oklahoma Union, Porum, Pryor, Sallisaw, Tahlequah, Tulsa Vian, Vinita, and Warner.
4. April 19<sup>th</sup> Attended and worked Education Booth at Vinita Community Meeting

5. April 25<sup>th</sup> Field Specialist assisted with JOM Art Reception at Heritage Center
6. April 26<sup>th</sup> 2018-19 JOM Application workshop – 51 schools represented, 51 JOM Contacts, 7 IEC, 3 School Staff total 71 in attendance.
7. April 30 JOM Field Specialist attended Junior Achievement at Grand View School 27 students in class
8. April 30 JOM Field Specialist Coordinator attended Owasso JOM Awards Program 200 in attendance
9. April 30 JOM Field Specialist attended Hulbert JOM Awards Program 85 in attendance
10. May 2 JOM Field Specialists and Coordinator attended and presented Greasy School Cultural Day Stickball presentation, Marbles, storytelling and making fry bread - 77 students
11. May 4 JOM Field Specialist presented at ICTC Storytelling total 39 students
12. May 9 JOM Field Specialist Cultural Day at Stilwell storytelling presentation 600 students
13. May 10 JOM Field Specialists Cultural Day Wickliffe approximately 100 students
14. May 10 close out meeting for 2018 OKJOM Conference in Okmulgee.
15. May 11 JOM Field Specialist Coordinator attended and assisted at Jay Cultural Day approximately 600 students.

#### **Future Plans/New Initiatives:**

##### **JOM:**

1. May 17 2018-19 JOM Application goes on line
2. June 22 Deadline for 2018-19 JOM Application.

##### **Up Coming Events:**

Cherokee Homeland Trip May 29 – June 6<sup>th</sup>  
 CTE and CLMT June 17 -22  
 Strategic Planning June 24 – 29  
 Cherokee Nation competing this week at the ISEF

#### **Accomplishments:**

##### **List of Robotic teams that competed at VEX Robotic World Championship**

Team #	School	Town
1164A	Belfonte/Bell Elementary (Middle School)	Bell Campus, Stilwell, OK
1164B	Belfonte/Bell Elementary (Middle School)	Bell Campus, Stilwell, OK
9545A	Roland Middle School	Roland, OK
9545W	Roland High School	Roland, OK
23009A	Okay Elementary School	Okay, OK
74403B	Hilldale Middle School	Muskogee, OK
8856C	Cleora Middle School	Afton, OK
49464A	Cherokee Elementary-Tahlequah	Tahlequah, OK
49464B	Cherokee Elementary-Tahlequah	Tahlequah, OK
8827B	Greenwood Elementary-Tahlequah	Tahlequah, OK

88227D	Greenwood Elementary-Tahlequah	Tahlequah, OK
31408B	Tahlequah Middle School	Tahlequah, OK
31408C	Tahlequah Middle School	Tahlequah, OK

**Future Plans/New Initiatives:**

Camp Cherokee application: [camp.cherokee.org](http://camp.cherokee.org)

1. Nowata - Camp Cherokee (day camp) May 29<sup>th</sup> thru June 1<sup>st</sup>
2. RSU - Camp Cherokee (day camp) May 29<sup>th</sup> thru June 1<sup>st</sup>
3. Dwight Mission - Camp Cherokee (day camp) May 29<sup>th</sup> thru June 1<sup>st</sup>
4. Summer Research Experience June and July (Sequoyah National Wildlife Refuge)
5. Kansas - Camp Cherokee (day camp) June 12<sup>th</sup> thru June 15<sup>th</sup>



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**Education Committee Report**  
**June 2018**

**ACADEMICS**

- Sequoyah High School graduated 98 seniors, ceremony went great;
- Seniors earned over 2.5 million in scholarships;
- Update on ACT scores, a junior scored a 32
- Driver Education Summer classes started May 21<sup>st</sup>;
- Summer school programs start June 4 and ends June 29;
- Freshman orientation started May 21<sup>st</sup> with over 80 students participating;
- Cafeteria workers furloughed May 25<sup>th</sup> and return July 30;
- Sequoyah/USDA Summer Feed Program runs May 29 until June 28, students 18 years and younger eat free;
- Dorm staff will be furloughed June 1<sup>st</sup> and return July 30;
- Cafeteria staff will attend child nutrition training June 19-21;
- Sequoyah girls basketball hosting team basketball camp June 11-12;
- Gym floors being done July 29-August 1 in both gyms;
- Teachers report August 2;
- Sequoyah classes begin August 6;
- Underclassmen start with BIE Testing

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