



**Invitation to Bring Youth From Your Community to  
the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual *NativeVision* Sports and Life Skills Camp!  
June 15-17, 2017**

This summer, the Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health will hold its 21<sup>st</sup> annual sports and life-skills camp for American Indian high school students. **The camp will take place in Whiteriver, Arizona, hosted by the White Mountain Apache Tribe from Thursday, June 15 to Saturday, June 17, 2017.** We are grateful to the host Tribe and Whiteriver Unified School District for sharing their beautiful grounds and facilities for this event, during which more than 40 professional and collegiate athletes will gather to provide instruction in football, basketball, volleyball, running, soccer and lacrosse, and promote healthy lifestyles among the participating youth.

### **Success of the Camp**

Over the past 20 years, the *NativeVision* camp has enjoyed great success and rapid growth. Thousands of youth from dozens of tribes across the country have participated. The young people, coaches, players and parents alike express excitement over inter-tribal participation and the fact that the professional athlete mentors focus on promoting nutrition, avoiding alcohol and drugs, the importance of physical activity and education as much as they focus on sports skills. At *NativeVision*, our volunteer professional athletes share personal stories of perseverance, courage, and discipline and encourage the youth to achieve their full potential. In addition, tribal leaders who take part in the program encourage the high school students to become leaders in their communities, respect their elders, and take pride in their Indian identity.

### **How Many Youth Can You Bring?**

Bring up to a total of 50 male and female students to play any of the six sports (football, basketball, volleyball, running, soccer and lacrosse). We hope for gender and tribal diversity in each sport. **All participants should be entering high school in the fall of 2017 or already be in high school.** At some point, we may have to restrict enrollment, depending on the response. For now, however, the invitation is open and flexible, and we will take registered youth on a first-come, first-served basis. As we are hoping to send healthy messages back to each community through the youth who attend *NativeVision*, we ask that you select students who will act as role models and leaders for others.

### **Registration**

Enclosed please find a registration form. Please complete all the information neatly and return it to us by mail at **415 N. Washington Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, MD, 21231**, to the attention of **Marlena Hammen**. You may also fax it to **410-955-2010**, submit by email to [mhammen@jhu.edu](mailto:mhammen@jhu.edu), or register online at [www.nativevision.org](http://www.nativevision.org) under “Non Local Registration.” After we receive your completed registration, we will send you a confirmation letter confirming your slots and each student’s registration information for you to distribute to them.

On the Chaperone registration form there is a line to be filled out for the All-Star Basketball Game. On Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup> we will have a basketball game matching the campers against the pros. This game is always a very popular part of the *NativeVision* camp! We ask for you to nick

two players (preferably one girl and one boy) who will participate as your representatives on the All-Star team. Please fill out this information on the Chaperone registration form.

As in past years, food will be provided free of charge to the youth participants, coaches and chaperones who accompany them. **You are asked to bring your own tents and sleeping bags for the campers.** We will not have a location indoors for campers and chaperones to stay. The only expense and responsibility will be to make your own travel arrangements. We do have some money available to tribal student groups to help defray the travel expenses. We will be able to provide travel reimbursement funds of \$100-\$500 (depending on how far you have traveled and if you are bringing at least 6 campers) for the first 10 tribes who complete the registration information. These funds will be distributed to you at the end of the camp. Please mark on the Chaperone registration how many miles you will travel to get to Whiteriver.

## Chaperones

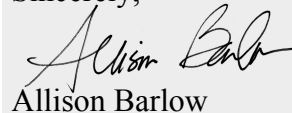
We require that you send **at least 1 chaperone for every 6 students.** We ask you to choose chaperones who are 21 years of age or over and who are committed and strong leaders. We are well aware how strenuous a job chaperoning can be. In order to help the camp experience as productive as possible, there will be a brief chaperone orientation meeting on the first day of the camp, going over the role the chaperones are expected to play during NativeVision.

Please understand the importance of communicating with us as soon as possible regarding the number of players you plan to bring. Given the “First come, First served” nature of registration, we ask that you **return the registration form as soon as possible and no later than June 2, 2017.**

We look forward to seeing you in June!

**If you have any questions or comments, please contact Marlena Hammen at (443) 287-5167 or email [mhammen@jhu.edu](mailto:mhammen@jhu.edu).**

Sincerely,



Allison Barlow

Native Vision Co-Founder

Director, Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health

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**Camper Registration**

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***\*Miles will you travel ONE-WAY from your home site to camp in Whiterier, Arizona?***

***\_\_ less than 100 miles; \_\_ 100-200 miles; \_\_ 205-300 miles; \_\_ 300 plus miles (ONE-WAY)***

***\*All-Star Basketball Game Participants***

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