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PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE

Community Memo

May 5, 2026

2026 PGST Graduates!!!

Please RSVP no later than May 15 for our Graduation Honoring. We will be holding it at Kiana Lodge in Poulsbo this year!

Graduates - please reach out to Lauren to submit your red carpet music! lmoon@pgst.nsn.us

Graduate Pictures - Please set up a date and time with Karleigh Gomez to get your Graduation Pictures done. First session will be paid for by Career and Education, any other sessions will be paid by you and your family.

UPCOMING HOUSING COURSE

Thursday, May 14th from 5-7 PM Housing will be hosting a Financial Management and Homebuyer Education Course. The class will be in the Housing Conference room. Dinner will be provided. Sing up with Stormy at 360.297.6350 extension 0 or stormy.purser@pgst.nsn.us.

Frequent Contacted Numbers

**Career & Ed:
(360) 297-6317**

**Community Outreach:
(360) 297-9678**

**Early Childhood Program:
(360) 297-6300**

**Elders Center:
(360) 297-9630**

**Enrollment:
(360) 297-6217**

**Front Desk:
(360) 297-2646**

**Health Services:
(360) 297-2840**

**Housing:
(360) 297-6350 Ext
5827**

**Natural Resources:
(360)297-6294**

Children & Families Services

Office Hours

As a reminder that the CFS Office is Closed for Lunch daily from 11:45am to 1:15pm No staff will be there to offer assistance/benefits during that time.

Family Assistance Program Happening

TANF

Is always operating. We now have two case managers to help assist tribal members who may qualify for the program, if you have questions please contact Sandra Horton. shorton@pgst.nsn.us or via phone or text at (564)245-0492



Food Bank

The food bank is open from 8-11:45 and 1:15-4:00pm Monday through Friday, please come into the Children and Family Services Building and speak with Miranda at the front desk.

As a gentle reminder each family may use the food bank once a week and we ask you to wait in the lobby or in your car while a CFS Staff member assists.

Elder's

Elder's meals are available for pick-up only between 11:30am -12:30pm.

We enjoy all the participants coming for the delicious meals prepared by staff but if you do not regularly participate in the lunch program, you need to call the kitchen at 360-297-9627 so we can plan accordingly.

Court services

Survivor & Victim Services

If you feel unsafe and need help for yourself or someone you care about as an advocate, we provide confidential help, safety planning resources/referrals, education, and empowerment.

Contact Teresa Swope at (360) 297-6304 or email tswope@pgst.nsn.us

Enrollment

2026 Tribal Council Elections

Tribal Council Elections are coming up quick!
The Intent to Run forms are available starting April 30, 2026.

You can get the form on the website, from the front desk, or the enrollment clerk.

The Intent to Run form is due NO LATER THAN 4:30 pm on Friday, June 12th, 2026. Please fill it out completely and return it to the Enrollment Clerk or front desk personnel.

Enrollment

Enrollment & Tribal Records
The Enrollment & Tribal Records department is committed to helping with the enrollment of members, family trees, ordering birth certificates, etc. as well as, maintaining tribal records and archives.

The Enrollment department can order birth certificates for those needing them to go through the enrollment process and administer DNA. You can also get a reimbursement for Washington State enhanced ID's.

Please reach out to Jordan DeCoteau if you have any questions or would like more information. You can reach her by email at enrollment@pgst.nsn.us or phone at 260-297-6217.

Culture

The Culture Department proudly celebrates the rich heritage of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe!

For the latest on our cultural events, check out our Tribal website at <https://pgst.nsn.us/current-news-events/> or follow us on Facebook at Port Gamble S'Klallams.

You can also sign up for community text alerts!



We love hearing from you! Feel free to visit the Cultural Office for updates or suggestions. You can also reach out to our team

Housing

Office Hours for 2026

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 8 am-4:30 PM daily lunch closure from 12-1.

Thursdays the office is open by appointment only.

CHR's:

Call 360-297-9633 to speak with a member of our team, we offer health transports and assistance with the pick up/delivery of prescription delivery

Dental and Medical Clinic:

Call 360-297-2840 to schedule an appointment or speak to a receptionist.

Mental health support line: 988
Call or text 988 for 24/7 mental health emergency support.
Press 4 for Native & Strong Lifeline

Public Health:

After hours Triage Nurse line
360-297-9613

Saturday Urgent Care Clinic hours are 9am to 5pm, closed for lunch 12pm to 1pm
If you are experiencing a medical emergency call 911

Public Safety

As always we ask you to utilize the Kitsap 911 system for any law enforcement needs, we try to limit the amount of time officers are in the office. The 911 system is the quickest and most efficient way to contact your officers. The Kitsap 911 system handles both non-emergency and emergency calls.

Notice of Exclusion

James Michael Lineback
Maesen Michael Lineback
Anthony L. Casillas
Amy A. Mitchell
Madison Ruth-Marian Fritz

Notice to the Community:

Harboring an excluded person is a crime. Any individual who harbors or allows an excluded person in their home can be charged with a Class C Offense.

Please call 911 to report excluded individuals on the reservation.

Tribal Council

When: May 11 2026
Where: Council Chambers
Time: 8:30pm
Topic: Regular

When: May 26, 2026
Where: Council Chambers
Time: 9:15am
Topic: Finance

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Scan Me to be sent to the Tribal Council info page on the PGST Website





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Boards and Committees

Hunting Committee (2 position)

Hunting Committee advises Tribal Council on hunting code provisions and makes recommendations on hunting regulations. Committee members receive a \$100 stipend for each meeting attended. The Committee meets once per month.

Child Protection Team Advisory Committee (5 position)

The Child Protection Advisory Committee makes recommendations on the management and/or resolution of open Indian Child Welfare cases.

CPT meets once a month, the first Monday two weeks prior to the civil court date, from 1:30p-3:30pm. Members receive a \$100 stipend for each meeting attended.

CPT Committee members are bound by federal and Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Laws and regulations regarding issues of confidentiality. All information and sources of information are strictly confidential.

Fish Committee (1 position)

The Fish Committee acts in an advisory capacity to the staff and Tribal Council on fisheries related issues. Fish Committee members receive a \$100 stipend for each meeting attended. The Fish Committee meets once per month.

Education Committee (3 positions)

The Education Committee is one of the Tribe's advisory committees. Its role is to advise Tribal staff and Tribal Council on educational matters — including programs, policies, and education-related concerns for Tribal members of all ages. The Tribe's Career & Education Department supports services like employment assistance and support, youth and adult education, academic assistance, and connections with schools in the surrounding area.

The Education Committee helps ensure that educational goals of the Tribe, including cultural preservation, student support, and post-secondary opportunities — remain connected to community needs and tribal values. The committee meets monthly, with a \$100 stipend.

**Tribal Council values the input given by these advisory groups.
Interested members can apply on the PGST website, or submit a letter of intent
to the front desk. Deadline to submit is May 19, 2026 by 4:30pm
Terms are 4 years**

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HEY THERE!

Join Us!

FOR YOURSELF, A FAMILY MEMBER, OR SOMEONE YOU CARE FOR.....

Scan with your phone and register!



SOCIAL * SECURITY SEMINAR

Lunch Provided!



MONDAY MAY 18TH 11AM-1PM
Location: PGST Long House

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- *When is the best time to file for benefits?
- *Strategies to Increase Your Monthly Income
- *Understanding Spousal & Survivor Benefits
- *Avoiding Costly Mistakes



* Contact: Malissa Purser 360-297-6272
For any questions or to sign up!
Email: mpurser@pgst.nsn.us

Driver License and ID Services



Open to the PGST Community!

Washington Department of Licensing will be in the Longhouse to help with:

- First time Washington driver license or ID card, including enhanced
- Out-of-state transfers
- Renew driver license, permit or ID

Tribal Members may be reimbursed for Real Enhanced ID costs.



 **Friday, May 22**

 **12pm - 4pm**

 **Longhouse**

To sign up, please contact
the Front Desk at:
360-297-2646



CALLING ALL PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBAL MEMBER ARTISTS!

WE ARE SEEKING SAMPLE SUBMISSIONS FOR OUR TRIBAL EMPLOYEE TENURE AWARDS. WE INVITE ARTISTS TO SUBMIT EXAMPLES SUCH AS BEAD WORK, CARVINGS, PAINTINGS, PLAQUES, OR SIMILAR ITEMS, WITH A TARGET PRICE RANGE OF \$20-\$200 PER PIECE.

SAMPLE SUBMISSIONS ARE REQUESTED BY JULY 30TH, 2026; HOWEVER, SAMPLES MAY BE SUBMITTED AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO THIS DATE.

ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED A SAMPLE, PLEASE NOTIFY JENNIFER WRIGHT-TOM IN HUMAN RESOURCES, AT (360) 297-6258 AND WE WILL SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT TO REVIEW YOUR WORK.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR CREATIVITY AND BEAUTIFUL ARTWORK.



The Local

PIZZA & SWEETS



SCAN HERE TO VIEW
THE MENU & HOURS



OPEN DAILY
360-297-6143



THE POINT
CASINO & HOTEL

7989 SALISH LANE NE,
KINGSTON, WA

PORT GAMBLE S'KLALLAM TRIBE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
PROGRAM
IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR
SCHOOL YEAR 2026-2027



- Individualized Teaching
- Health and Dental Screening
- Speech and Hearing Screening
- Healthy Meals and Snacks
- Services to meet Special Needs
- Parent Engagement
- Family Support
- A growing outdoor land based learning environment
- Cultural practices woven into daily activities
- Relational Health

Your child may be eligible if

You are expecting or have a child under the age of 5 and
Your family is on TANF or SNAP; Homeless or you are sharing
the home with another family or meet the income guidelines.
Your child has a disability or special needs.
The child in your care is a foster child or in relative care

2025 FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINE

Family Size	Annual Income
1	\$15,960
2	\$21,640
3	\$27,320
4	\$33,000
5	\$38,680
6	\$44,360
7	\$50,040
8	\$55,720

Contact
Melissa@pgst.nsn.us
cbem@pgst.nsn.us



Mountain Protector, Cape (detail), 2025. SiSeeNaxAlt Gail White Eagle (Muckleshoot). Yellow cedar and mountain goat wool.

FREE GUEST PASSES

THROUGH AUGUST 30, 2026

**BURKE MUSEUM OF NATURAL
HISTORY AND CULTURE**
Seattle, Wash.

For passes, please contact:
PGST Front Desk at
360-297-2646

WOVEN IN WOOL

Visit museum galleries and special exhibit *Woven in Wool: Resilience in Coast Salish Weaving*, featuring historical and contemporary woven creations, including blankets, tunics, hoods, and skirts.



Request for Proposals

Artist Wanted

S'Klallam Energy Journey Coloring & Adventure Book

Collaborate with the
Energy Sovereignty Program on:

- Full color cover and final acknowledgment pages
- 20-30 black & white activity and coloring pages

Submission Requirements:

- Name, phone number, and email
- Desired total compensation
- Examples of artwork from your existing portfolio (max 10)
- Website portfolio or social media link (if applicable)
- Sample page for S'Klallam Energy Journey Coloring & Activity Book *optional*
- Statement of interest (500 words or less) *required*

Submit by
May 22 to
rhgates@pgst.nsn.us

Additional details at pgst.nsn.us/energy



– EVENT DATE –

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'Salmonberry Time'

May 8th & 9th

– EVENT DETAILS –

Friday

05/8/2026

5:00-8:00pm

Saturday

05/09/2026

10:00-4:00pm

– EVENT LOCATION –

Culture Building

– CONTACT –

Sign up with Rowan
call or text

360-731-4324

Or E-mail

rbunich@pgst.nsn.us

Or come by the Cultural Resource

Office and say ʔəy'k'waʔčiy!

<https://pgst.nsn.us/cultural-resources/>



Cedar Weaving Workshop Hat Weaving Round II

Join us for our special class to learn how to weave a cedar bark hat with Kaylayla Ives. This class is an opportunity to create something special from your own harvested cedar bark.

This small and intensive cedar weaving class has limited space with the intention of offering additional classes throughout the year. For those without cedar bark, we will prepare a few hat kits to offer for the nominal contribution of \$100.

To secure your spot please contact the staff listed. Reach out early to schedule time if you need any help preparing your bark prior to class.

NOTES FROM THE CULTURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The Culture Building and Staff will be available to help students prepare their hat kits using their own cedar. This class is offered to PGST Community Members 18+up



Let your voice be heard!



Survey for The former Mill Site Park Plan





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Call for Artists – Voting Logo

Any inquiries related to this call are directed to: Amber Hunt, Legislative Program Manager amhunt@pgst.nsn.us. Technical support can be made available for interested artists who are not familiar with vector files. *Please read the entire document before emailing with questions or a submission.*

Introduction

The Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe (Contracting Party) is seeking design proposals from PGST Tribal Members for a logo to be used for PGST voter registration, civic engagement events, and related accessories. This logo will likely be used in “I Voted” stickers, clothing, and posters. Designs should relate to the culture, history, and/or landscape of the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe and the surrounding area. Inclusion of voting specific imagery or related symbols is encouraged. If you decide to include written language in the logo design, use of the S'Klallam phrase “ʔələʔkt” (“I voted for someone; I elected someone”) is requested.

The chosen artist will receive compensation of \$500.

Timeline

April 28, 2026: Call posted

June 1, 2026: Artist submissions *due*

June 5, 2026: Artist selection notification (this date may vary slightly due to review process scheduling)

Submission Guidelines/Requirements

- Artists must PGST Enrolled.
- Artwork submitted must not currently appear (nor have been previously used).
- The chosen artist(s) will receive compensation of \$500 and must grant full rights to the artwork.
- No more than three distinct colors should be used (not including black).

Example Designs:



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Please email the following materials to amhunt@pgst.nsn.us with the subject line “PGST Voting Logo Art” followed by your name. All materials must be submitted by June 1, 2026; late submissions will not be accepted.

In the body of the email include:

- Your Name
- Phone Number
- Website Portfolio Link (if applicable)
- Statement of Interest (500 words or less)

Art Attachment:

- Proposed color logo
- Proposed grayscale logo

Notice of Tribal Council Elections

Elections are scheduled for Monday, July 13, 2026, at the Main Tribal Center Administration offices.

Notices of Intent to Run for Council positions are due by Friday June 12, 2026. See the form below or you can get a copy at the Front Desk. Please fill it out completely and return it to the Enrollment Clerk or the Front Desk personnel by 4:30 pm on June 12th.

Letters of intent are advised but not required. You can submit them at the Front Desk or by email to enrollment@pgst.nsn.us.

If you would like information about an Absentee Ballot, you can contact the Enrollment Clerk at (360) 297-6217. Absentee ballot requests must be made NO LATER than July 6th, 2026. Any request made after 4:30 on July 6th will not be considered.

Positions up for elections are:

Vice-Chairperson: currently held by Chris Tom

Council I: currently held by Renee Veregge

Council IV: currently held by Kyle Carpenter

INTENT TO RUN
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribal Council
Position of:

_____ (Write in position)

Positions available in the July 13 2026 election are:
Vice-Chairman, Council I, Council IV

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Enrollment #: _____

Phone Number: _____

RETURN TO THE ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT OR FRONT DESK
Due date: June 12, 2026 by 4:30