

Register your students today

# 2025 FALL FUTURE NATIVE TEACHERS INITIATIVE (FNTI)

**DATES: 2.5-day event:**  
Tuesday, October 28  
Wednesday, October 29  
Thursday, October 30

**LOCATION: Pierce College  
Puyallup, Farm 12, University  
of Washington Tacoma**

**FOR: Native American &  
Alaska Native high school  
students interested in  
pursuing careers in  
education**



## WHAT IS FNTI?

The Future Native Teachers Initiative is a yearly, 2.5-day immersive program designed to inspire Native high school students interested in pursuing careers in education. The event features engaging speakers, workshops led by Native educators, an overview of educational pathways, a visit to a local elementary school, and additional activities.



**Registration is now open and space is limited.**  
Kindly enroll and find event information and agenda  
by visiting [www.futurenativeteachers.org](http://www.futurenativeteachers.org)



## Why FNTI?

Native American educators only represent about 1% of Washington's nearly 75,000 teachers. This lack of representation means Native students rarely see teachers who reflect their own identities, cultures, and histories. The Future Native Teachers Initiative exists to change that. FNTI inspires Native high school students to explore careers in education, equipping them with mentors, role models, and a vision of the difference they can make in their communities.

## Event Details

FNTI will be hosted across 2.5 days in the Puyallup and Tacoma areas, with hotels located in Puyallup. Schools are welcome to commute to the sessions each day, or take advantage of local hotel accommodations. All event sites are within about 15 minutes of each other, making travel convenient.

## What We Provide - and What We Ask of Schools

We want to make participation as easy as possible. FNTI provides all programming, speakers, workshops, school visits materials, and meals at no cost to you. *Thanks to the generosity of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, all meals are fully covered for every student and chaperone this fall.* Schools are responsible for all transportation throughout the event, and hotel costs if staying overnight. (Limited financial assistance may be available for schools unable to cover hotel expenses)

## Capacity and Registration Guidelines

Space is intentionally limited so that students can fully engage with one another, build meaningful connections, and interact closely with our Native educators and facilitators. Chaperones may register up to 4 students initially, with the option to place additional names on a waiting list. This ensures a balanced experience while making space for students from as many schools as possible.

## Website, Registration Link, and Contact Information

For registration link, agenda, and FAQs, please visit [www.futurenativeteachers.org](http://www.futurenativeteachers.org). Questions? Email Angie Benjamin, Green River College, at [careersined@greenriver.edu](mailto:careersined@greenriver.edu)



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