

**Valdez Native Tribe  
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# Valdez Native Tribe

August 2019

**Are you a Veteran? Are you signed up for all your Veteran benefits? If you or someone you know needs help or assistance with any of these questions, please call William F. Smith at 835-3925. If there is no answer please call his cell at 831-1378 or send an e-mail to [imeyak@valdezak.net](mailto:imeyak@valdezak.net)**



**There will be a Board Meeting August 26th at 4:00pm in VNT chambers.**

Do you experience PTSD from a difficult situation? Come to our supportive talking circle at VNT.



Last Thursday of every month, at 6pm.



**Elders are still able to pick up fish. If you're wanting to go on a charter, please contact VNT today.**

With all the wildfires that have been striking Alaska as of late, do you know what to do?

- Turn on a TV or radio to get the latest emergency information.
- If you have a ladder, prop it against the house so you and firefighters have access to roof.
- If hoses and adequate water are available set them up. Fill buckets with water.
- Remove combustible material from the area surrounding the house (lawn chairs, tables, etc.).
- Turn a light on in each room for visibility in case of smoke.
- Open or take down flammable drapes and curtains.
- Close all venetian blinds and non-flammable window coverings.
- Move upholstered furniture away from windows and sliding glass doors.
- Be ready to evacuate all family members and pets when requested to do so.
- Turn off air conditioning/air circulation systems
- Detach electrical garage doors. Back in your car and leave the keys in the ignition.
- Secure your pets if possible.



**Valdez City Schools  
2019-2020 School Calendar**

Approved: 3/25/2019 By: VCS Board of Education

**Summary:** [190] contract days [9] instructionally related in-service days  
 [5] holidays (per statute) [4] ISC days (count as in-service days)  
 [3] teacher work days [171] student-bodies-in-seats days

	August 2019							September 2019							October 2019														
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E...End of Quarter																													
H...Legal Holiday					1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7			1	2	3	4	5								
I...Inservice Day									H																				
O...School Opens	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12								
UV...Unpaid vacation day																													
W...Teacher Workday	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19								
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PC...Parent-Teacher Conferences	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26								
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T...Testing	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	29	30						27	28	29	30	31										
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\*\*\*KINDERGARTENERS START THE 28TH OF AUGUST, NOT THE 20TH LIKE 1ST-12TH GRADERS\*\*\*

Any responses that are sent back to or turned into the VNT **before** August 31st, 2019 will be entered into a drawing for a prize on September 16th. Winner will be notified via telephone call. Please list your name and phone number in the comment section at the very bottom of the page.



What do **you** think of the Valdez Native Tribe newsletter?

. I love it!

. I don't like it.

. I don't really pay attention to it.

. What I would love to see is:



# The grass is always greener...

The first year of the “Valdez Native Tribe’s Summer Youth Work Program” (sponsored by North Pacific Rim Housing Authority) is in full swing clearing brush, weeds and doing general cleanup.

Together the VNT and NPRHA provide direction, teaching job skills, time management and all around good work ethics. The program will run through August.



# IdentoGO®

Our IdentoGO Center is up and running as we have partnered with IDEMIA. Services will initially include: TSA Pre✓® and TWIC® enrollment, which allows U.S. citizens to enjoy expedited security screenings within American airports, and Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC®), which is required by the Maritime Transportation Security Act for workers who need access to secure areas of the nation's maritime facilities and vessels. We also offer Hazmat for CDL drivers through the IdentoGO Center.





