Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Program (STEM).
The STEM program is for forty students going into the 7th, 8th and 9th grades. This program takes place at Nesbit Lake in the Ottawa National Forest as well as on the campus of Northern Michigan University (NMU) in Marquette, Michigan. STEM has been created to develop specific competencies and skills in students who will assume leadership roles in the future. Students will be introduced to careers associated with STEM. Hands-on activities include a group obstacle course, high ropes course, and cooperative games. Youth will work with staff from GLIFWC, Hannahville Indian School, and NMU.

National Indian Youth Leadership Program (NIYLP)/Onji-Akiing.
NIYLP/Onji-Akiing is for forty students going into the 5th and 6th grades. NIYLP/Onji-Akiing will focus on natural resource career exploration and treaty rights. Leadership and service learning activities are also important aspects of this program. Activities also focus on group cooperation and communication, problem solving, leadership skills, self-confidence, physical exercise, spiritual growth, social skills, and responsibility to self and community. Hands-on activities include a group obstacle course, high ropes course, and cooperative games. Youth will work with staff from the GLIFWC, NMU, and the United States Forest Service.

For more information about these summer youth programs, call April Lindala at 906-227-1397 or Rich Sgarlotti at 906-466-2952 x 124 or Heather Naigus at 906-458-3778.
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FOR BOTH PROGRAMS - Activities at Camp Nesbit will focus on group cooperation and communication, problem solving, leadership skills, self-confidence, physical exercise, spiritual growth, social skills, and responsibility to self and community. Hands-on activities include a group obstacle course, high ropes courses and cooperative games. Students will live in the cabins of the camp and eat most meals in the dining commons. Recreation will include swimming, games, canoeing, nature hikes, warrior games, and many other activities.

FOR STEM Program - Activities on the campus of NMU focus on work in the science and technology labs and in the classrooms and other community facilities. Classes and workshops will be led by NMU faculty and other professional instructors. Students will stay in the dormitories, eat in the dining rooms and use university recreational facilities. Although this program is well structured, there is time for students to enjoy themselves as part of the group. There are no televisions, radios, (O) players, or other distractions to the program.

Tribal, youth programs, and/or schools are invited to send participants. Adult volunteers from the schools or programs are also welcome. All applicants must complete the application and submit with a recommendation form from an adult. While grades in all classes are important in considering applicants, their desire to be an active participant is more important. Selection will be made on the basis of the application and space available. Students will be expected to participate fully in all activities of the camp. It is essential to the success of the students that they take part in all group and individual activities for academics, leadership, recreation, service and cultural awareness to the best of their abilities. At all times they will be under the supervision of hired program staff and adult volunteers.

Staff leadership includes: Camp Director - Rich Sgarlotti of the Hannahville Indian School/Nah Tah Wahsh PSA; Co-Program Directors - April Lindala and Marty Reinhardt of the NMU Center for Native American Studies; and Heather Naigus of Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC).

All aspects of this program are free (i.e. lodging, meals and materials). However, we are requesting that parents seek transportation for drop off youth. Although sometimes tribal youth programs can help with this. Parents will receive a list of things to bring, contact information, other permissions and list of camp rules.

Mail this application to: Full Circle Project c/o Center for Native American Studies Northern Michigan University 1401 Presque Isle Ave Marquette, MI 49855 Can also be faxed to: Full Circle Project at 906-227-1396 Can also be e-mail to: cnas@nmu.edu (Please put FULL CIRCLE PROJECT in subject line)

Youth Programs Application

Application Sheet (thank you for typing or printing clearly).

Name ___________________________ Birth date ___________ Male or Female ________________________

Current Grade (circle one) 4 5 6 7 8 ________________________

Address ____________________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip _______________________________________________________________________

Parents/Guardians ___________________________ School Phone ____________________________

Home Phone ___________________________ Mobile Phone ____________________________

School __________________________________________ School Phone ____________________________

Tribal Affiliation ____________________________

Indian Education Program Coordinator ____________________________

Indian Education Program Phone ____________________________

Return the above application and additional requirements below by Friday, April 29.

1. Write a short essay (at least 100 words) explaining why you would like to be part of one of the Full Circle Project programs. Include information on other school or Indian education programs you have attended, any special achievements, and how Full Circle Project will help you with your goals.

2. Include one letter of recommendation from an unrelated adult stating why they think you should attend and how it will benefit you.

3. Students are accepted on the basis of essays, recommendations and space availability. If you are accepted, you will be expected to sign a statement agreeing to fully participate in all activities, and parents/guardians must complete and sign health forms and other permissions for all program activities.

Which program are you applying for?

_________________________ STEM Program going into grades 7, 8 or 9 June 20—July 1 (Camp Nesbit and NMU)

_________________________ NIYLP/Onji-Akiing going into grades 5 or 6 July 25—July 31 (Camp Nesbit)

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