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2015 SAIGE YOUTH PROGRAM PRESS RELEASE

SAIGE Announces Youth Program at 12th Annual National Training Conference

The Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) is a national Non-profit organization that advocates for American Indian and Alaska Native Government employees. SAIGE will host their 12th annual national training conference, ***“Growing Native Leaders: Enhancing Our Seven Generations”*** June 15th - 18th, 2014 at the Treasure Island Hotel & Casino, Welch, Minnesota, (Minneapolis area). This is a tribal facility, owned and operated by the Prairie Island Indian Community of Mdwakanton Sioux.

As part of the Training Conference; SAIGE will also host the annual Native Student Youth Program. We will be partnering with American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC) to support the tribal colleges and universities. This program is designed to provide Native American students an opportunity to learn about careers within the federal government, to participate in professional and personal development workshops and training, and to network with Native American professionals.

SAIGE encourages Native American youth to realize their potential to become leaders in their communities and schools, continue their education by obtaining a college degree, and ultimately, to seek a career in the government sector in one of the multitude of civil service professions. Federal agency representatives attending the conference have the opportunity to meet students, participate as Exhibitors, and promote career opportunities within their respective agencies.

SAIGE is offering a limited number of scholarships for Native students from main stream colleges and universities to attend the 2015 Training Conference June 15-18, 2015 in Welch, Minnesota. The scholarships will include conference fee, airfare and hotel accommodations. AIHEC will be providing assistance for those students attending tribal colleges and universities.

The Youth Program is open to Native Students between the ages of 18 and 25 who can demonstrate they are currently enrolled in good standing at an accredited high school, college or university. Students must be interested in gaining a professional degree and in the possibility of pursuing a career with the federal government. SAIGE invites American Indian/Alaska Native students to submit their application form, letter of reference, proof of school enrollment, and completed emergency medical information form for consideration to attend the conference. A short essay about their interest in government careers and information about themselves is also required. Completed application packets must be postmarked or electronic copies sent no later than **April 30, 2015**. To obtain a complete application visit our website at: www.saige.org under Youth Program.

We look forward to you joining us in Welch, Minnesota (Minneapolis Area).

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