


2013 at a glance



Show Your Support

If you believe in what we do and want to help, there are many ways you can show your support of Doyon Foundation:

-  Donate a portion of your Permanent Fund Dividend to the Foundation through the Pick. Click. Give. program. The application period for 2014 dividends is now open through March 31!
- Join our Nee Ts'ee Neyh program. Donations to our Nee Ts'ee Neyh, or "we all give or help" in the Koyukon Athabascan language, program go directly to our general scholarship fund. You can make a donation via check or online.
- Get involved in the Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic as a golfer, sponsor or volunteer. The 2014 golf classic will take place Thursday and Friday, June 12 and 13 in Fairbanks.

- Volunteer your time. We are always looking for help organizing our student dinners, taking snacks to students during finals week, making reminder calls about upcoming deadlines, and more.



2013 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic

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Doyon Foundation

Doyon Foundation was established as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization in 1989 by Doyon, Limited, the regional Native corporation for Interior Alaska. As the private foundation for Doyon, Limited, we serve the educational and cultural needs of Doyon's shareholders and their children by providing postsecondary scholarships, advancing

traditional Native knowledge, and increasing Native student performance levels.

Our mission is to provide educational, career and cultural opportunities to enhance the identity and quality of life for Doyon shareholders.

Your Foundation Staff



Left to right: Maurine Isaacson, Scholarship Program Manager; Doris Miller, Executive Director; Sommer Stickman, Administrative Assistant; Malinda Chase, Language Revitalization Program Director (seated)

All-Volunteer Board



Left to right: Allan Hayton, Vice President; Paul Mountain, Member; Joshua Peter, Member; Lanien Livingston, President (seated). Not pictured: Julie Anderson, Secretary/Treasurer; Victor Nicholas, Member

Scholarships

Since inception in 1989, Doyon Foundation has awarded more than \$6 million in scholarships. In the most recent fiscal year, we awarded 583 scholarships totaling \$443,492.

To be eligible for a Doyon Foundation scholarship, you must:

- Be enrolled to Doyon, Limited or be the child of an original enrollee
- Be accepted to an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school
- Maintain a minimum GPA and be enrolled in a minimum number of credits

There are three scholarship deadlines each year:

- March 15 - Basic scholarships for summer semester
- April 15 - Basic and competitive scholarships for fall semester
- November 15 - Basic scholarships for spring semester

We offer four types of scholarships, including:

- Competitive, which range from \$2,000 to \$7,000, and are awarded once per year
- Basic, which range from \$400 for part-time students to \$800 for full-time students, and are awarded three times per year
- Short-term vocational, which covers the course cost (up to \$400), and are awarded year-round
- Advanced college credit, which covers the course cost (up to \$400), and are awarded year-round to high school students taking college courses



2013 scholarship award ceremony

For details on eligibility, deadlines, application process and scholarship types, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com or contact our scholarship program manager at 907.459.2049 or foundation@doyon.com.

Passing on the Power of a Scholarship

Foundation alumnus Dewey Kk'oleyo Hoffman is an excellent example of the power of a scholarship. Dewey graduated high school in 2004, and completed his undergraduate degree at Dartmouth College in 2009, with lots of encouragement and inspiration from his family. He also received support from Doyon Foundation, which awarded Dewey numerous scholarships during his education.



"Although I wanted to quit many times, seeing who had gone ahead of me and what encouragement and insights I might be able to pass on to others kept me going," Dewey shared.

Today, Dewey is finding lots of ways to pass on the things he's learned. He is coaching his 8th grade nephew as he prepares to enter a postsecondary degree of his choice. Dewey serves as the development manager at the Alaska Native Heritage Center, supporting its mission to preserve and strengthen all Alaska Native traditions, languages and art. And he is seeking a master's degree in education, focusing on teaching and learning, and promoting education policies and reforms that will create more opportunities for Alaska Native language instructors.

"When you donate to the Doyon Foundation, you are not only supporting the current and upcoming generation of Alaska Native leadership that will directly steer us into the future, but the state of Alaska as a whole," Dewey said.

Read Dewey's full profile on our website, www.doyonfoundation.com.

Congrats, Grads!

We celebrated 63 graduates in 2013, including high school, license, certificate, associate's, bachelor's and master's students! See our 2013 Graduate Yearbook at www.doyonfoundation.com.



2013 graduation celebration

Language Revitalization Program

Our new language revitalization program was officially established in October 2012 when we received a generous start-up contribution from Doyon, Limited. Envisioning our people actively learning, using and teaching the language is the enduring intent of this effort to revitalize our languages.

Last spring, we hired Malinda Chase as our new program director. Malinda, originally of Anvik, came to us from the Association of Interior Native Educators (AINE). She has a bachelor's degree in American studies from Wellesley College in Massachusetts and a master's degree in cross-cultural studies from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and is a second-language learner of Deg Xinag, the Athabascan language of the Anvik-Shageluk area. You can read more about Malinda on our website.

Some highlights of our progress in the past year include:

- Hosting the Where Are Your Keys language training, a three-day workshop led by Evan Gardner in Fairbanks, and offering two informational audio conferences in December
- Developing a detailed program business plan
- Pursuing additional funding sources
- Researching and building relationships with other individuals and organizations committed to language revitalization
- Undertaking a language needs assessment

A special thank you to our language revitalization committee, an all-volunteer group working to support, guide and grow this new program: Allan Hayton, Polly Hyslop, Paul Mountain, Susan Paskvan and Teisha Simmons.



Where Are Your Keys language workshop participants