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Memo

To: Enrolled Members of the Spirit Lake Tribe

From: Charmayne Bohanon, Education Manager/Legislative Secretary

cc: Tribal Council

Date: October 26, 2020

Re: Fiscal Year 2021

Beginning on March 24, 2020 the Tribal Education Program has been non-operational, due to the discontinuation of financial funding. The COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted the EDF funds for the tribal programs. On October 14, 2020 the Spirit Lake Tribal Council approved the Fiscal Year 2021 Budgets by Resolution A05-21-010. As a result, of the loss of revenue from this pandemic the Spirit Lake Tribal Council had made some very difficult decisions regarding the funding for tribal programs.

Effective October 26, 2020 the Tribal Education program will no longer be able to offer education incentives to enrolled members who are pursuing a degree of higher education. The tribal education program will solely focus on the elementary, middle and high school students.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding regarding the restructuring of the tribal education program during this difficult time. If you have any questions please feel free to contact my office at 701-230-0972 or via email sltedu@spiritlakenation.com