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Nez-Lizer administration honors teachers with Navajo Nation Teacher Appreciation Week proclamation

WINDOW ROCK – On Tuesday, Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer issued a proclamation recognizing May 7 as Navajo Nation Teacher Appreciation Day, and May 6 – 10 as Navajo Nation Teacher Appreciation Week, in honor of all school and home teachers across the Navajo Nation.

“We owe eternal gratitude to our first teachers, our parents. We owe special recognition to our school teachers who work tirelessly to give our children a view of our world, both modern and traditional. To our parents and our school and home teachers, we give this special recognition,” stated President Nez.

The proclamation further recognizes the contributions of teachers by instilling the teachings of the great Chief Manuelito who emphasized the importance of education as a means to creating a better future for our Diné People and our communities; and for helping to revitalize and preserve traditional, cultural teachings and our sacred Diné language in the classroom.

“Too often, our Nation’s teachers are overlooked and, in some cases, forgotten, so this day and this week mean a lot for them and also for their families. Teachers make many sacrifices that go unnoticed so with this proclamation, we are asking students, parents, and others to show their appreciation to our Nation’s teachers even if it’s a simple ‘thank you,’” stated Vice President Lizer.

Throughout the academic year, Navajo teachers carry a tremendous responsibility to care and teach our students. They witness the incredible potential of our youth in the classrooms and equip them with skills and knowledge to become contributing members of the Navajo Nation.

“The Nez-Lizer Administration continues to support our educators who hold our Navajo students to high standards that prepare them for success in college and future careers. On behalf of the Administration, we commend the dedicated teachers, families, and school leaders who work tirelessly in the classrooms and for their outstanding contributions to the growth and development of the Navajo Nation,” added President Nez.

The proclamation declares May 7 as Navajo Nation Teacher Appreciation Day and May 6 through May 10 as Navajo Nation Teacher Appreciation Week. # # #

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