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Public Service Announcement

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ONNSFA Offices Closed Through April 3

Public Health Emergency Order Issued to Prevent Spread of COVID-19

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – The Office of Navajo Nation Scholarship & Financial Assistance (ONNSFA) will close all offices effective March 19, 2020, as an emergency public health measure to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

President Jonathan Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer issued a Public Health Emergency Order on Wednesday and urged all individuals to keep each other safe and healthy by practicing social distancing and self-isolation to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus. The leaders emphasized that staying home is key to containment. The emergency order ends the ONNSFA's original plan to provide limited services through April 3.

Students are encouraged to continue submitting applications for the 2020-2021 academic year at www.onnsfa.org. However, processing of applications will be delayed until ONNSFA offices re-open.

Questions regarding COVID-19 and related issues may be directed to the Navajo Health Command Operations Center at (928) 871-7014.

Students are encouraged to be aware and take precautions to protect their family and loved ones during this time. Information about COVID-19 may be found at http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/ and https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html

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