



# THE SUQUAMISH TRIBE

PO Box 498 Suquamish, WA 98392-0498

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## **Suquamish Royalty** **Expectations & Responsibilities** *(Updated March 2010)*

Dear Parent or Guardian of Royalty and/or Future Royalty:

The Suquamish Tribe recently updated its expectation and responsibilities policies for Suquamish youth royalty. In the future, as your child(s) may be royalty representing the Suquamish Tribe, this letter outlines royalty expectations and responsibilities for representing the Suquamish Tribe.

### Term of Royalty/Warrior

- Each Royalty/Warrior will last one year term beginning from the Renewal Pow-wow until the next annual Renewal Pow-wow.
- Royalty may not hold their crown for more than two (2) Consecutive years
- Crowns and sashes provided to each royalty/warrior belong to the Tribe. Each royalty/warrior is responsible for keeping the crowns and sashes in good condition throughout the year. Youth Services will contact you one week before the end of the one year term to return your crown and/or sash.

Required Participation - Royalty/warriors are required to participate in:

- Suquamish Tribal Pow-wows (Renewal, Veterans and Chief Seattle Days)
- Royalty Meetings: **1 during term** (Conference Call is ok for far travelling royalty)
- Updates in the Tribal Newsletter (email to [dsantos@suquamish.nsn.us](mailto:dsantos@suquamish.nsn.us))
- Canoe Journey
- Serving elders, helping with raffles & giveaways, and other duties upon request.

### Voluntary Participation:

- Suquamish Tribal Functions
- Coastal Gatherings
- Song and Dance practice/performances

Encouraged Appearance: We encourage our royalty to dress appropriately i.e. traditional Regalia or Dress Wear (Black Slacks for men with T-shirt) and Crown & Sash (Black Skirts/Dress with dress shirt women). *We understand that some Tribal functions do not require full regalia in part of Song and Dance, as a Royalty of Suquamish we still ask that Royalty wear dress wear.*

### Funding:

Each Royalty/warrior is given the same lump sum amount of money to be used throughout the entire year term. It is the responsibility of the Royalty and his/her parents to manage these funds to last throughout the royalty term. We encourage our royalty and their parent(s) and/or guardian(s) to contact the royalty coordinators on a monthly basis so that we can help with any funding questions or concerns you may have.

### Questions or Concerns

If you have any Questions or Concerns, please contact the Suquamish Tribe's Current Royalty Coordinators:

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We look forward to seeing you throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Denita Santos