

Alaska Studies Research Guide

Attention Visiting Alaska Studies Students:

1. Plan to spend from two to three hours at the Center to complete this Guide.
2. If possible, visit the Center during one of the Celebrating Culture Saturdays.
3. Present your student ID and either this Research Guide, or a similar study guide from your instructor, to receive FREE admission. FREE admission as an Alaska Studies student also includes FREE admission for one adult chaperone.
4. Return this guide to your teacher with the answers well composed and clearly written.

Enjoy your visit!

STUDENTS: COMPLETE THIS SECTION AND RETURN THE PAPER TO COURSE INSTRUCTOR.

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1. Watch the film in the theater *(Available most Saturdays.)*

Summarize it in several sentences.

2. Attend a storytelling session *(ONLY available on Celebrating Culture Saturdays)*

Relate the story's origin including geographic location and cultural group. Summarize the story.

4. Attend a dance performance *(Available during most Celebrating Culture Saturdays)*

Describe the dances performed and explain their meaning and why they are important in the culture.

5. Talk to a demonstrating artist *(Available during most Celebrating Culture Saturdays)*

Talk with one of the artists. Ask about his or her art. Ask about his or her culture and home. Summarize the conversation.

6. Tour the Village Site

If there is no guide available, read the explanatory signs to learn about the dwellings. Choose one dwelling and draw a sketch of it. On the sketch write the dimensions of the exterior walls. Below the sketch summarize significant facts about it: What was it made of? How many people lived in it?

7. Look at the exhibits in the Hall of Cultures

A) The exhibits are divided into five culture areas. Choose one item or part of the exhibit and tell which culture area it comes from. Describe the item. Tell how it relates to the natural environment. Tell how it relates to values and beliefs.

OR

B) Describe the five "feature walls" (the light-sensitive exhibits along the back hallway of the exhibits): What theme do these feature walls depict? Are they successful in conveying their message? Why or why not?



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CENTER

Address: 8800 Heritage Center Drive. Located next to Bartlett High School.

Contact Information: 907-330-8000 or toll-free: 800-315-6608 www.alaskanative.net

How to get to the Alaska Native Heritage Center: From the Glenn Highway, take the Muldoon Road North exit. Take the first right onto Heritage Center Drive (there is the Alaska Native Heritage Center sign at this turn). Take another immediate right to enter Heritage Center Drive. ANHC is located eight-tenths of a mile at the end of the drive. Free parking is available.