



10,000 years in our Traditional Homeland, Prince William Sound, the Copper River Delta, and the Gulf of Alaska

NVE Youth Rising Star Award
2026 Nomination Form

The NVE Tribal Youth Rising Star Award recognizes a Tribal Youth who demonstrates leadership, growth, cultural pride, kindness, determination, or positive impact within their family, school, Tribe, or community. This award celebrates young Tribal Members who are rising as future leaders and role models through their actions, efforts, and commitment to others.

Your Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Youth Nominee's Name: _____

Please explain why you feel this youth is deserving of the NVE Youth Rising Star Award. Please share examples of their leadership, growth, character, cultural involvement, kindness, perseverance, or positive impact on others.

Mission Statement: *Dedicated to exercising our sovereignty to enhance the well-being of our people, culture, and homelands.*

Vision Statement: *To cultivate a resilient and thriving community where our people are healthy and empowered, our culture is alive, and we honor our lands and waters. Through our relationships, education, healing, and leadership, we uphold our sovereignty and empower current and future generations to sustain our way of life.*

Core Values: *Humility, Accountability, Integrity, Kinship, Respect*

Traditional Values: *God, Loyalty, Humor, Cooperation, Teaching, Cultural Pride, Sharing, Discipline, Language, Respect*

How does this youth reflect NVE's Mission, Vision, Core Values, and Traditional Values through their actions, attitude, or involvement in the community?

Signature

Date

Email to: nvefamilies@eyak-nsn.gov

or

Send to: Heather Thorne
Native Village of Eyak
PO Box 1388
Cordova, AK 99574

Please attach any additional documents further illustrating your Nominee's efforts. This may include news articles, photos, copies of commendations, and/or letters of support from persons who have worked with your Nominee and/or benefited from their work.

*Nominations may only be submitted by NVE Tribal Members. Nominations must be received by **5pm Monday, July 1st 2026** for consideration. Please consider nominating a Tribal Member who you feel deserves recognition for their work and achievements during this Fiscal Year 2026, year ending Sept. 30, 2026.*

Nominees convicted of a felony regardless of the jurisdiction will not be considered. Nominees convicted of a misdemeanor will be considered on a case-by-case basis. NVE intends that the winning nominees be present at the Native Village of Eyak's Annual Sobriety Celebration in November.