

The Great Spirit created Man and Woman in his own image. In doing so, both were created as equals. Both depending on each other in order to survive. Great respect was shown for each other; in doing so, happiness and contentment was achieved then, as it should be now.

The connecting of the Hair makes them one person; for happiness or contentment cannot be achieved without each other.

The Canyons are represented by the purples in the middle ground, where the people were created. These canyons are Sacred, and should be so treated at all times.

The Reservation is pictured to represent the land that is ours, treat it well.



The Reservation is our heritage and the heritage of our children yet unborn. Be good to our land and it will continue to be good to us.

The Sun is the symbol of life, without it nothing is possible – plants don't grow – there will be no life – nothing. The Sun also represents the dawn of the Hualapai people. Through hard work, determination and education, everything is possible and we are assured bigger and brighter days ahead.

The Tracks in the middle represent the coyote and other animals which were here before us.

The Green around the symbol are pine trees, representing our name Hualapai – PEOPLE OF THE TALL PINES –

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Dear Parents and Community Members,

I am writing to parents, grandparents, aunts, or uncles. It is important for us to be aware of the things going on in our school.

Our children have been cheated from a quality education due to the past Superintendent, staff, and teachers misusing the finances. We have a new Superintendent that has discovered these things. We almost lost our school \$1.1 million Impact Aide until the new Superintendent came and was able to apply and save our school.

Although, we have many issues we must all make an effort to SAVE OUR SCHOOL. It has been reported to the Tribal Council that the behavior of the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades is not good. There is no respect or cooperation in the classroom.

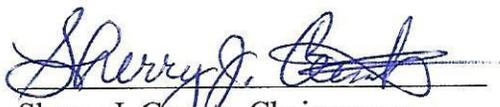
I recently went to the school talk to the children (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders). We have allowed tribal employees (one hour, per policy and procedures) to go to the school and into the classes to see the behavior and help the curb negative behavior.

It is important to let you know that the state is watching our school very closely just waiting for the failure. The state comes in every month to monitor on the functioning of the school. Please be aware that our school can go into receivership and be closed.

So, please if you have received letters or messages from the school about your child's behavior contact the school. We must work together as a community to make our school better. The behavior needs to change to save our school.

When we make a difference for our community we make a positive change for our future as Hualapai People.

**DO NOT ALLOW** our Peach Springs Elementary School, District #8, to be **CLOSED!!**

  
Sherry J. Counts, Chairwoman