

## Alternative Education Board Report June 2017

Graduation was very successful with 25 students earning their diploma from the Buffalo Hide Academy. These students were celebrated with a dinner and recognition ceremony. We are very proud of these students and wish them well in their future endeavors.



We are busy working on the referral list for next year and already have over 100 students currently on the expected roster for the Buffalo Hide Academy. We look forward to welcoming these students.

Seniors also initiated a prank and filled Mr. Johnson's office with over 1500 balloons.



We have a great summer planned with the Blackfeet Academy Wilderness Adventure Program (BAWAP). Grade 5-8th at risk students enjoyed backcountry hiking and camping with High School mentors and adult chaperones. Students travel to the Sweetgrass Hills, Swift Dam, and raft on the North Fork of the Flathead river.

Charlie Speicher and Greg Klauk are teaching a summer experiential workshop in conjunction with Glacier Park. Students will work with biologists and rehab affected areas of Glacier Park.

This program is designed to help students “unplug” from the stress of everyday life and experience confidence building wilderness exploration. We teamed with the Good Medicine AWARE program and students are able to make those connections that will be carried into the academic school year and provide additional support.

We are also hosting the BHS summer school credit recovery program, students will be able to recover credits and be supported by certified teachers.

## **Congratulations to the first ever graduates of the Buffalo Hide Academy!**





