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POARCH CREEK DONATES TO LOCAL SCHOOLS

Poarch Creek Indian Nation, Alabama – June 6, 2013- The Poarch Band of Creek Indians today donated more than \$200,000 dollars to schools in Escambia and Monroe counties in Alabama. The Tribe made the donation as part of its 2013 Planned Giving Campaign.

“At a time when budget cuts are infiltrating our schools, I am proud that we are able make this investment in the future of our children,” noted Tribal Chairman Buford L. Rolin. “I believe knowledge that is gained through education is essential for children to reach their goals in life, and it will enable them to have limitless opportunities.”

Listed below are the schools that received donations:

Escambia County

Brewton Elementary School - \$28,431.00
Brewton Middle School - \$29,930.00
Pollard-McCall Jr. High School - \$30,000.00
T.R. Miller High School - \$29,607.74
W.S. Neal Elementary School - \$29,970.17
W.S. Neal Middle School - \$30,042.57
W.S. Neal High School - \$30,001.06

Monroe County

Excel School - \$25,842.00

Earlier this year the Tribe donated more than \$2 million dollars to support area schools in Baldwin, Escambia, and Monroe counties in Alabama and Escambia County in Florida. The Tribe also made donations of more than \$3 million dollars to Alabama schools over the last two years (2011 and 2012).

About the Poarch Band of Creek Indians

The Poarch Creek Indians are descendants of a segment of the original Creek Nation, which once covered almost all of Alabama and Georgia. Unlike many eastern Indian tribes, the Poarch Creeks were not removed from their tribal lands and have lived together for almost 200 years in and around the reservation in Poarch, Alabama. The reservation is located eight miles northwest of Atmore, Alabama, in rural Escambia County, and 57 miles east of Mobile.

The Poarch Band of Creek Indians is the only federally recognized Indian Tribe in the state of Alabama, operating as a sovereign nation with its own system of government and bylaws. The Tribe operates a variety of economic enterprises, which employ hundreds of area residents. Poarch Creek Indian Gaming manages three gaming facilities in Alabama, including: Wind Creek Casino & Hotel in Atmore; Riverside Casino in Wetumpka; and, Tallapoosa Casino in Montgomery. The Poarch Band of Creek Indians is an active partner in the state of Alabama, contributing to economic, educational, social and cultural projects benefiting both tribal members and residents of these local communities and neighboring towns.

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Brewton Elementary School Donation
Annie Lambert, Principal, Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman, and Heidi Knapp, Reading Coach



Brewton Middle School Donation
Carrie Brown, Principal, Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman, and Madelyn Cave, Assistant Coach



Excel School Donation
Marty Hanks, Principal, Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman, and Lee Anne House, Assistant Principal



Pollard McCall Donation
Hugh McCall, Principal and Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman



T.R. Miller High School Donation
Mary Bell, Principal and Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman



W.S. Neal Elementary School Donation
Susan McKenzie, Principal and Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman



T.R. Miller Middle School Donation
Dennis Hadaway, Principal and Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman



W.S. Neal High School Donation
Patricia Frazier, Principal, Buford L. Rolin, Tribal Chairman, and Todd Williamson, Assistant Principal