

NARRAGANSETT INDIAN TRIBE

2018 NOTICE OF CHIEF SACHEM ELECTION

There will be a Tribal Election on **Saturday, April 28, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.** to elect a CHIEF SACHEM to represent the Narragansett Indian Tribe of Rhode Island.

The Tribal Election will be held at the Narragansett Indian Tribe's Four Winds Community Center, North Building, 4477 South County Trail, in Charlestown, Rhode Island.

During the Election there is to be absolutely NO LOITERING/CAMPAIGNING. At 7:30 p.m. Tribal Members are invited back to the Center to hear/view the results of the election.

CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS

Any potential Candidate running for the office of Chief Sachem must be at least thirty-five (35) years of age. Potential Candidates must also meet all requirements outlined in the Narragansett Indian Tribe Election Rules and Procedures as ratified on Saturday, December 30, 2017.

VOTER REQUIREMENTS FOR NIT CHIEF SACHEM ELECTION OF 2018

A Tribal Member who will be eighteen (18) years of age by Election Day and who is on the current Base Roll is eligible to vote (**MUST PROVIDE A PHOTO I.D.**)

ABSENTEE VOTER REQUIREMENTS

DISABLED: Defined as homebound or nursing home situations. You may apply in writing to the TEC for an absentee ballot. Your request must include medical documentation explaining your illness or disability and that you are unable to vote in person. Military personnel are through the same procedure, and provide documentation of Active Duty. All requests must be mailed and postmarked on or before April 9, 2018. A ballot will be mailed to you **no later than April 16, 2018**. All ballots returned must be received **on or before Friday, April 27, 2018**. All correspondence must be directed to the following address: **NARRAGANSETT INDIAN TRIBE, TRIBAL ELECTION COMMITTEE, P.O. BOX 330 CHARLESTOWN, RI 02813**

RALLY

There will be a **Rally on Saturday, April 21, 2018, beginning at 10:00 a.m. prompt.** All Candidates MUST attend and participate in the Rally (no exceptions). Candidates must give a brief speech and there will be a brief question and answer period immediately following each Candidate's speech. TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

*****PLEASE NOTE, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN THREE (3) CANDIDATES THAT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE ELECTION RULES & PROCEDURES TO RUN FOR THE OFFICE OF CHIEF SACHEM, THERE WILL BE A PRIMARY ELECTION ON SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018. THERE WILL ALSO BE A PRIMARY "RALLY" HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018 AT 10:00 A.M. FOR THOSE CANDIDATES WHO MEET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES WILL BE NOTIFIED).**