Qik'rtarmiut Sug'ucirpet Kodiak Alutiiq/Sugpiaq Values

nuna

place - physical sphe

nunapet

Ties to our Homeland "our lands"

nunapet carlia'arluki

Stewardship of animals, land, sky & waters "taking care of our lands"

unguwacirpet

A subsistence lifestyle respectful & sustained by the natural world "our way of being alive"

keneq

fire; process - cognitive sph

Sugt'stun niuwacipet

Our heritage language "our ways of speaking like a Sugpiaq"

liicirpet

Learning by doing, observing & listening "our way of learning"

piciipet uswituu'uq

Traditional arts, skills & ingenunity "our ways are wise"

anerneq

spirit - emotional sphere

agayumaukut

Faith and spiritual life from ancestral beliefs to the diverse faiths of today "we are prayerful"

englarstaisngukut

Humor
"we like to laugh"



Walter Simeonoff teaching his son to shoot an arrow.

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LEARN MORE:

Liitukut Sugpiat'stun (We are learning to be Real People): Exploring Kodiak Alutiiq Literature Through Core Values. 2012, by Alisha Drabek. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

http://ankn.uaf.edu/Curriculum/PhD_ Projects/Alisha_Drabek/

suuget

people - social spher

suupet

Our people: we are responsible for each other & ourselves "our people (community)"

cuqllipet

"our Elders"

ilaapet

Our family and kinship of ancestors
& living relatives
"our family"

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conscience - ethical sph

ilakuisngukut

Sharing: we welcome everyone "we favor sharing"

sugtanartukut

Trust "we trust"

ling'aklluki

Respect for self, others & the environment is inherent in all values "we respect them"