

Yatibaey Evans

Ahtna (Athabascan)

President

Yatibaey Evans is Ahtna (Athabascan) from Mentasta, Alaska, the Head Waters People. She is the daughter of Donna Galbreath from Mentasta and Jeff Mann from Massachusetts. She is the granddaughter of Molly Galbreath from Mentasta and Don Galbreath from Michigan. Yatibaey and Lewis Evans are celebrating their 15th year of marriage, and together they have four wonderful boys.

Yatibaey obtained her Bachelors of Arts Degree from the University of Washington, majoring in Comparative History of Ideas. Johns Hopkins University was where Yatibaey obtained her Masters of Education. After teaching in Maryland, her dreams of returning home to Alaska came to fruition. Yatibaey oversees the Title VII program, Alaska Native Education (ANE), in Fairbanks, Alaska. Additionally, she is an Adjunct Professor for the Department of Alaska Native Studies at Rural Development at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

In addition to her work in education, Yatibaey serves as President of the National Indian Education Association board and is on of United Way Board of Directors and Secretary of the BoD, volunteers for Big Brothers Big Sisters, has helped plan for First Alaskans' Elders and Youth Conferences, and the Rural Providers Conference.