TRIBAL COUNCIL ACTIVITY

Directions: This activity is meant to help you understand how a tribal council works. By the end of this activity, you should be able to create a poster with the following information collected in the graphic organizer. Your poster must be easy to read and organized neatly.

A Tribal Government consists of :

Chairperson - presides over the tribe's legislative body and executive branch

Vice Chairperson - in the absence of the Chairman, perform all duties and assume all responsibilities vested in the Chairman.

Council Members - A tribe's legislative body, made up of tribal members who are elected by eligible tribal voters.

Tribal Members - Enrolled members of a federally recognized tribe which include specific rights and protections.

**For a vote to be passed, you must have a majority vote. The tribal chairperson does NOT get to vote, unless there is a tie. If there is a tie vote, the Tribal Chairperson's vote breaks the tie.

Here is the demographics of your made up tribe. Use this information to help you make decisions on the discussion topics below.

What to include on your poster: Tribe Name: Tribal Chairperson: Population: Revenue: What is the best way to disperse tribal monies to your members? (Include reasons why the tribe made its choice. **Remember you must have a majority vote.) What are some other ways for the tribe to generate revenue? (Include reasons why the tribe made its choice. **Remember you must have a majority vote.) Are there any changes your council made to their decisions after discussing with other tribal councils? (include why you made these changes)

^{*}Seal (optional - if you have time, you may include a tribal seal on your poster)