Haa Kusteeyí  “Our Way of Life”

Discipline and Obedience to the Traditions of our Ancestors
Kaa wudujeeyí ka kaa x'éix dus.aaxí ch’áagu haa shagóonx’ích kusteeyí
(Discipline and obedience to the traditions of our ancestors)

Respect for Self, Elders and Others
Sh yáa ayakdané ka Idakát káa yáa at uwanéi
(Self-respect and respect for everyone)

Respect for Nature and Property
Ldakát át a yáa ayaduwanéi
(All things are respected)

Patience
Tél kútš i yáa wdawódlik
(Have patience [don’t be in a hurry!])

Pride in Family, Clan and Traditions is found in
Love, Loyalty and Generosity
Toowú klagé haa t’aax’í, ka haa naax sateeyí, ka haa kusteeyí
(Pride in our family and our clan and our traditions)

Wooch eenx haa isteeyí, wooch dusxáni, wooch éet wutudasheeyí
(When we’re together, we love each other, we help each other)

Be Strong in Mind, Body and Spirit
Yee toowú klatseen
(Be strong)

Humor
Lishooóo út kanaylaneek
(Tell funny stories)

Hold Each Other Up
Dikéex’ wooch gayilsháat
(Hold each other up)

Listen Well and with Respect
K’idéin at sa.áx ka a yáa awuné wáá sá i daa yadukaayí
(Listen well and respect what people say to you)

Speak with Care
Tula.aan tin yöó x’adutaan
(People speak with care)

We are Stewards of the Air, Land and Sea
A káx yan aydél wé t’ágti
(Take care of the land)

Reverence for Our Creator
Yáa at wuné haa Aan Káawu jeeyís
(Reverence for our creator)

Live in Peace and Harmony
Wóoch een kayéix yáx nagatee
(Let there be peace and harmony among each other)

Be Strong and Have Courage
Yee gu.aa yáx x’wán
(Have courage)