



# Fundamentals for American Indian Education in Minnesota

## Preliminary Agenda

July 23-24, 2024 at Grand Casino Mille Lacs

Facilitator: Prof. Joseph Bauerkemper, Tribal Sovereignty Institute, Dept. of American Indian Studies, University of Minnesota Duluth

### DAY 1

#### CHECK-IN AND BREAKFAST - 9:00 AM – 9:55 AM

- 10:00 AM – 10:50 AM** **Opening Ceremony** (as a sign of respect, please be seated by 10 AM)  
Opening Drum Song  
Presentation of the Colors  
Opening Prayer
- 10:50 AM – 11:10 AM** **Tribal and State Leadership Welcomes**
- 11:10 AM – 11:45 AM** **Fundamentals for American Indian Education in Minnesota** Training Expectations and Goals
- 11:45 AM – 12:15 PM** **History of American Indian Education presentation**  
What key education policy factors at the state and federal levels have influenced and guided approaches to meeting the unique needs of American Indian students?

#### LUNCH - 12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

- 1:00 PM – 1:20 PM** **Ojibwe Language Lesson**
- 1:20 PM – 2:20 PM** **American Indian Education Aid Funding presentation**  
How can districts enhance and sustain American Indian education programs that are culturally and academically tailored to American Indian students? What is AIPAC?
- 2:20 PM – 3:20 PM** **American Indian Education Staff panel**  
Hear directly from district employees about their day-to-day work strengthening and promoting positive experiences and education outcomes for American Indian students.

#### BREAK & SNACK - 3:20 PM – 3:40 PM

- 3:40 PM – 4:00 PM** **Dakota Language Treaty Exercise**
- 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM** **Indigenous Education for All update**  
Ensuring all students learn about local indigenous communities throughout their education.
- 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM** **How to Access Resources**  
This presentation will direct you to credible materials and provide tips for accessing and assessing relevant teaching resources.

#### DINNER - 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

#### Game Night (Optional Activity) 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM



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### DAY 2

#### BREAKFAST - 7:15 AM – 8:00 AM

- 8:00 AM – 8:35 AM** **River of Time Part I** Tadd Johnson, Esq., professor emeritus
- 8:35 – 9:15 AM** **U.S. Federalism and Treaty Obligations** Joseph Bauerkemper  
*Why Treaties Matter* exhibit exercise
- 9:15 – 9:35 AM** **The River of Time Part II** Tadd Johnson, Esq., UMD Professor Emeritus
- 9:35 AM – 10:30 AM** **Indian Boarding School Impacts** Mary Otto, Tribal State Relations Training Manager  
*Into the West* video excerpt: “Carlisle Indian School”  
Seven Generations Exercise

#### BREAK & SNACK 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM

- 10:45 AM – 11:45 AM** **The River of Time Part III** Tadd Johnson, Esq., UMD Professor Emeritus

#### LUNCH 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

- 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM** **Tribal Leader Panel**  
This rare opportunity will introduce you to Tribal leaders in Minnesota who will share about history, culture, and Native nations, as well as their priorities and expectations for education in Minnesota for American Indian students and for all students.
- 2:00 PM – 3:45 PM** **Story Circle Within a Circle: Bringing it All Together**
- 3:45 PM - 4:00 PM** **Acknowledgements and Closing Ceremony**  
Closing Prayer  
Retiring of the Colors  
Traveling Song

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