Tribal Sovereignty, Relationships, and Consultation (for non-Tribal partners)

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(10 min) Community Building - As you come into this conversation today, what do you know about tribal sovereignty, relationships, and consultation? What are your hopes and fears as a regional leader engaging with Tribes?

Name - Response

Whole Group Learning and Reflection: Collaboration with Tribal Education Partners

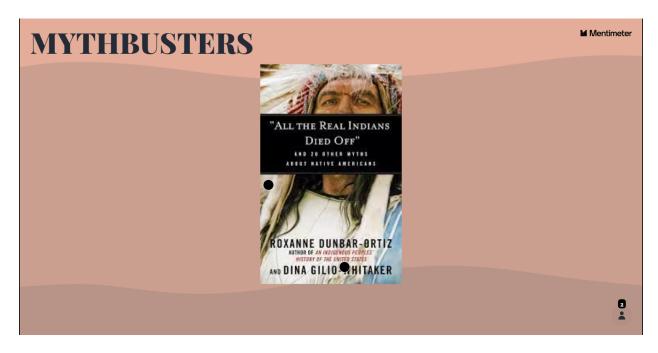
(5 min) Framing and Mindsets

- "I used to think...now I know (or am learning) that..."
- Notice your assumptions, reactions, comfort/discomfort
- Process over outcome
- This is a good space to find out what we know and what we don't know; this is not a formal training and it is not tribal consultation itself; this is a safe space to talk so

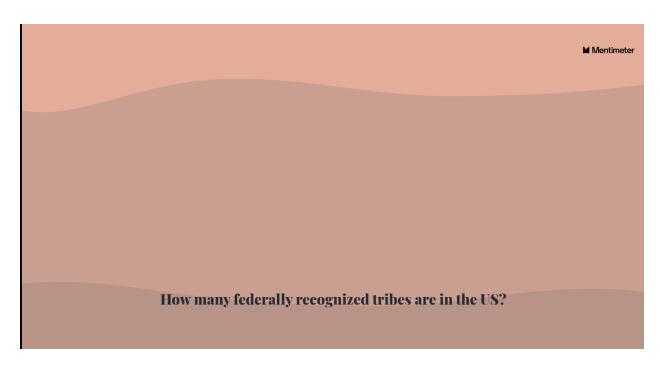
that we know what our questions are. This is one conversation of many, this is just a start.

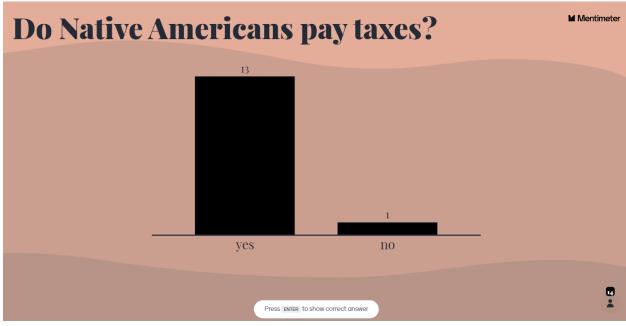
(15 min) Mythbusting Menti

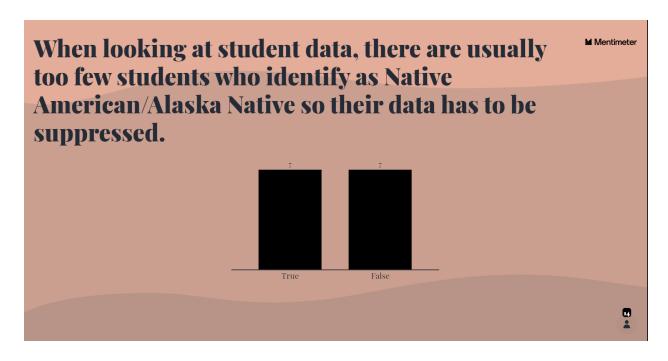
*Facilitation Note: screenshots below show our Menti presentation, select slides include sample results. See answers <u>below</u>.



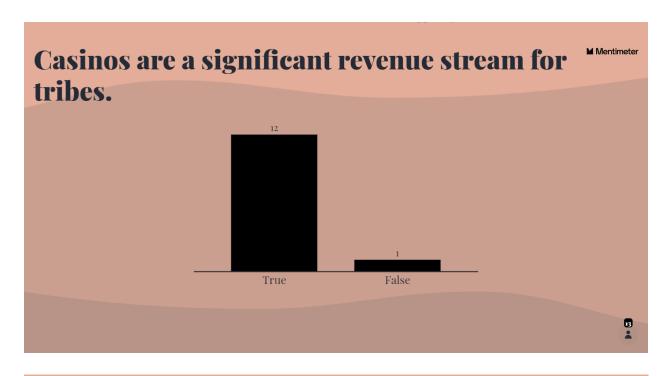


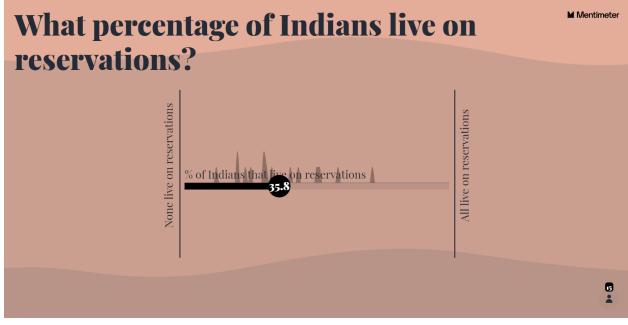












(30 min) Shared definitions

1. On paper or in a separate document, create a table like the one below (minus the links!):

	What I currently think/know	What I learned or am learning
Tribal Sovereignty -BESE Explains: Tribal Sovereignty:	Template only, don't write here; create your own version at home	
What is Tribal Sovereignty?-Washington Tribes: What is Tribal Sovereignty		
-Native Governance Center: What is Tribal Sovereignty		
Government to Government Relations Chapter 43.376 RCW: Government to Government relationship with Indian Tribes Duwamish Tribe files lawsuit in		
bid for federal recognition Tribes as Nations: Working Government-to-Government-C ollaborate with Tribes		
Tribal Consultation NIEA BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH TRIBES		
OSPI PowerPoint on Tribal Consultation with ESSA Schools		

2. Pick a topic to focus on: Tribal Sovereignty, Gov to Gov Relations, or Tribal Consultation. Spend 15-30 min documenting your current knowledge, reviewing the links for your selected topic, and reflecting on what you learn.

*Facilitation note: Depending on available time, individuals can share their reflections in topic-alike groups, or with individuals who studied a different topic. If it's a small group, the facilitator can lead a whole-group conversation.

Group/Context-Specific Follow up:

• (discuss follow up questions/ideas/next steps related to the group's specific work)

Additional resources that shaped today's conversation

https://www.niea.org/resources-1

https://www.niea.org/virtual-resources-for-parents-and-teachers

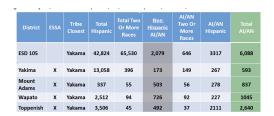
The Canary Effect

"All the Real Indians Died Off"

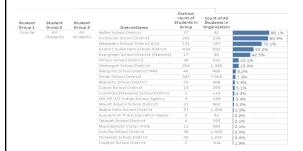
*Facilitator Guide for Mythbusters activity

Myths/Truths	"Answer"	
How many federally recognized tribes are in WA? U.S.?	29 in Washington, 567 in the U.S.	
are in WA? U.S.?	Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation Cowlitz Indian Tribe Hoh Indian Tribe Sauk-Sulattle Indian Tribe of Washington Sauk-Sulattle Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoa	
	From NCAI: Non-recognized tribes face the arduous task of submitting applications for federal acknowledgement that satisfy the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Part 83 Criteria. These criteria are extensive and are meant to ensure that recognized tribes are distinct autonomous communities, existing as such since historical times and recognized as such since prior to 1900. There are six tribes in WA that are not federally recognized, but fighting to be recognized.	
	recognized, but fighting to be recognized (Duwamish is one of them).	
When looking at student data, there are usually too few students who identify as Native American/Alaska Native so their data has to be suppressed. T or F	data, there are who identify as Many/most students and families who identify as Native American/Alaska Native also identify as "Hispanic" (which is an ethnic category) and/or also identify as	
	Native American Number of Students Race Category (state reporting) (federal reporting)	
	Al/AN – Non-Hispanic 14,863 14,863	
	AI/AN – Hispanic 24,893 0 AI/AN – Two or more Races 18,982 0	

students are reported on–the other 75% are lumped into either "Hispanic" or "two or more races."



Affiliated Tribes of of Northwest Indians passed two resolutions (2016 and 2018) urging federal and state agencies to correct and improve identification processes for what is called "maximum representation." So, starting now, all K12 schools in WA are mandated to collect data that identifies individual tribal affiliation and it will be reported with maximum representation and by tribal affiliation. So, for Colville student identity, it will look like this:



How many Boarding Schools existed in Washington State?

15 in Washington, 10 in Oregon

<u>U.S. Department of the Interior Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative</u>

Maps (pg. 50)

"The investigation found that from 1819 to 1969, the federal Indian boarding school system consisted of 408 federal schools across 37 states or then territories, including 21 schools in Alaska and 7 schools in Hawaii. The investigation identified marked or unmarked burial sites at approximately 53 different schools across the school system. As the investigation continues, the Department expects the number of identified burial sites to increase."

Do Native Americans pay taxes?

Individuals Native Americans pay federal income taxes, including the individuals who work at casinos—they pay taxes, and those who do business with tribal casinos

pay taxes. Part of this myth comes from the fact that US Federal Law "recognizes the governmental nature of Indian nations in the US Constitution, and as sovereign governments, tribal nations are not subject to certain forms of taxation since sovereign governments do not tax each other..." Tribal casinos, as businesses of another nation, don't pay taxes to any other nations, including the US. But, "In 2013, Indian gaming generated over \$13.6 billion for federal, state and local government budgets." (pp 110-111, All the Real Indians Died Off) The "rich Indian" trope is a modern version of racist Casinos are a significant revenue source for tribes. stereotypes that present Indians as threats—its just economic and political now, versus a military threat T or F historically. "The 43 largest casinos, which represent only 5.5% of the overall reservation population, generated 64% of the total gaming revenues (\$10.7billion) in 2004. In contrast, the 10 lowest-earning casinos, representing 42% of the overall reservation population, earned just 1% of all casino revenue...Furthermore, according to a 198 Native Americans in Philanthropy study, even if gaming revenues were distributed equally to all indigenous peoples in the U.S. the amount distributed, \$3000 per person, would not be enough to raise the indigenous per capita income of \$4500 to the current U.S. average of \$14,400." Jeff Corntassel and Richard C. Witmer II, Forced Federalism: Contemporary Challenges to Indigenous Nationhood (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2008), 29-30. *Even as revenues increased over the next decade, 10 years later it still wasn't enough to raise the per capita income to average US levels. False - approximately 65% do not live on reservations. Most Indians live on reservations (T of F)