COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

MARCH 5, 2024

JENNIFER GARBOW. COORDINATOR

MISSION STATEMENT

Duluth American Indian Education Program's mission is to promote youth leadership, provide academic support and encourage career development for American Indian students based on American Indian values, culture and language.



JESSICA ROBARGE, AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON: LINCOLN PARK MS

What I like best about my job is watching our youth grow & navigate into young adulthood & being a positive role model for them.



JAMIE DE LA CRUZ, AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON: LOWELL & MYERS-WILKINS ELEMENTARY

The best part of my job is teaching students and staff about American Indian / Indigenous culture, history, and language.



SUSANNA MILLER, AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON: LAURA MACARTHUR & STOWE ELEMENTARY

The best thing I like about my job is helping the students with their academics.



JP RENNQUIST, AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON: DENFELD HS

 What I like about working for American Indian Education Department is getting to know all of our wonderful young people with all of their energy & life & possibility. I get the privilege of observing them & guiding them through these important times in their lives. And I am always deeply moved & overjoyed to be a part of the process of presenting them with their graduation Odemin sashes & watching them walk across the stage of the Denfeld Auditorium to receive their diplomas as graduating seniors.



ANTHONY BUGG: AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON ORDEAN EAST MS & EAST HS

The best part about my job is seeing my students smile & be happy when they see me. Knowing I am making an impact on their lives for the better & providing a safe haven for students to feel comfortable. Strongly encouraging my students that

...YOU MATTER!



KANIKISA CORBIN: AMERICAN INDIAN HOME SCHOOL LIAISON PIEDMONT ELEMENTARY

The kids. They teach me something new everyday, & they make the hard parts of this job worth showing up for. Also, the work we do with students & their families. I genuinely enjoy working and advocating for students & their families.



MELANIE BLACK: OFFICE SUPPORT SPECIALIST SENIOR

 What I love most about my new job here.
What I love most is my coworkers. They have made me feel so welcome and included. Every day I am happy to be here with my coworkers and the work we do for students.



CURRENT AIMS:

- Kindergarten Readiness
- Read Well by Grade 3
- Closing the Achievement Gap
- Graduation
- Other items as identified



EXPLORING NEW OPPORTUNITIES:

- Credit recovery through service learning
- School within a School Denfeld
- Summer enrichment camps
- New partnerships
- Family & community engagement
- Growing the department



AMERICAN INDIAN EDUCATION PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AIPAC)

Due March Ist

- Vote Resolution of Concurrence/ Non-Concurrence
- Annual compliance documentation
- Resolution document
- AIPAC roster
- AIPAC meeting minutes



CONNECTING DEPARTMENT AIMS WITH FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

I LOVE TO READ MONTH!!

AIPAC Event

Harrison Community Club



MIIGWECH!!

Conversation with Amber Greensky, AIPAC Chair Resolution of Concurrence/ Non-Concurrence

