



American Indian Education Update

Purpose:

Per MDE, our American Indian Education Program in collaboration with NAPAC designs programming and instructional activities that affirm the cultural identity of our American Indian students and their families.

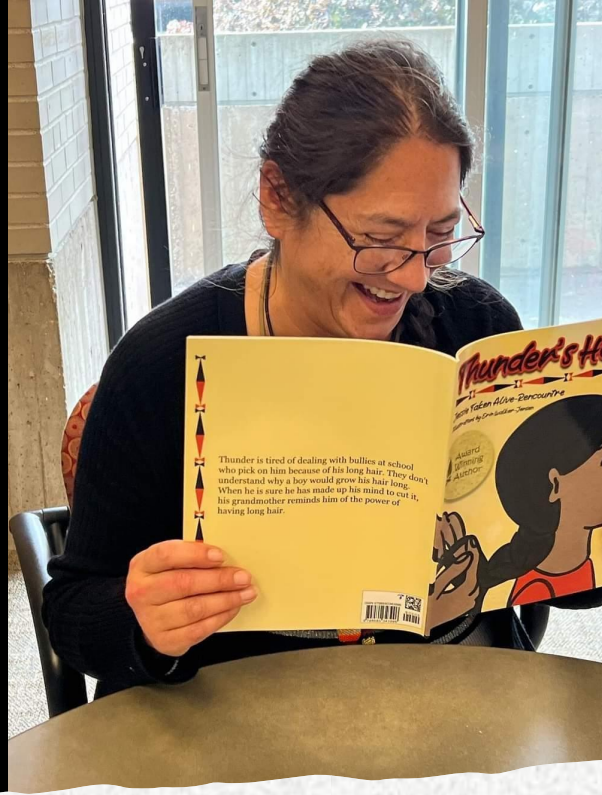


Individualized Learning Plans (ILP's) Cultural Identity Goal

275 American Indian Students (2/10/2025)

- 56% Elementary: Lunch and Reading Groups
- 44% Secondary: Smudging, College Fairs, and Beading Circles
 - 19% (or 23 are) Class of 2025





Elementary Programming

- Heather Broda, American Indian Cultural Liaison
- 2024 Reading with the Aunties to Reading with Kip and Heather 2025
- Weekly Lunch Groups
- Heather Broda 1:1 Check in/Check Out

Secondary Programming

College Visits

- University of MN American Indian Visit Day
 - October 11, 2024
- American Indian College Fair
 - October 21st, 2024

Weekly Beading Circles

*Upcoming Host Financial Aid Assistance

- MN Indian Scholarships
- Tribal Scholarships
- American Indian Tuition Waiver Schools



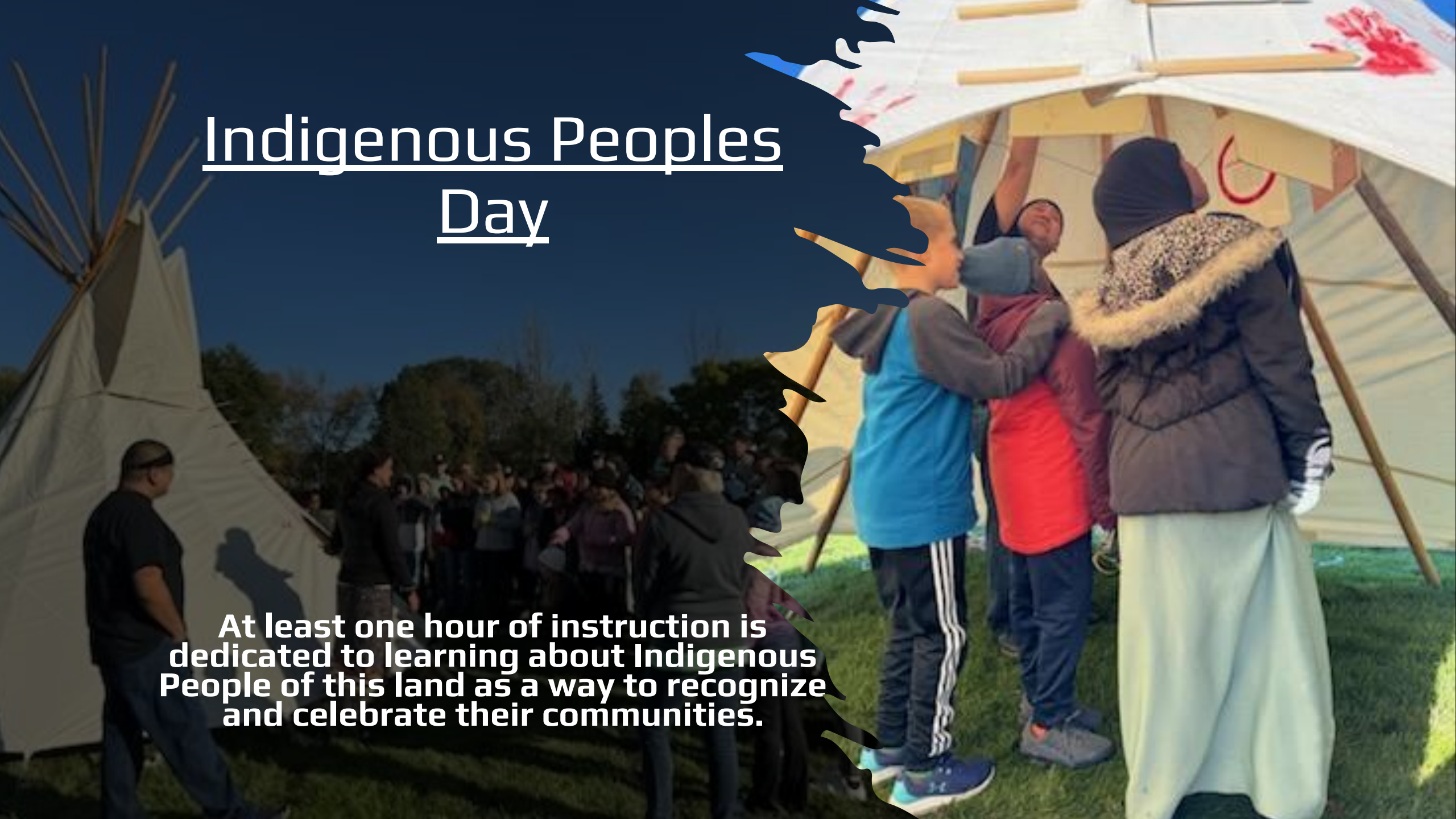
2024 Community Graduation Honoring

60% of our American Indian students graduated 2024.

2024 Graduation Honoring:

- St. Cloud State University
- St. Cloud Technical & Community College
- St. John's University & College of St. Ben's
- Sartell-St. Stephen Schools





Indigenous Peoples Day

At least one hour of instruction is dedicated to learning about Indigenous People of this land as a way to recognize and celebrate their communities.

Free
Open to the Public!

2024 Ptanyétu POWWOW

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Apollo High School
1000 44th Ave N, St. Cloud, MN
Hosted by
**St. Cloud Technical &
Community College**

MASTER OF CEREMONY

Wes Jourdain

ARENA DIRECTOR

Kevin Kingbird

HEAD MALE DANCER

Zach Red Bear

HEAD FEMALE DANCER

Miskitoos Henning

HONOR GUARD

Mille Lacs Honor Guard

HOST DRUM

Red Tree Singers

INVITED DRUMS

Painted Spirit,
Dakota Outlaws, and
Red Willow

FOOD TRUCKS & VENDORS HAND DRUM CONTEST

For more info, contact Lacey Lokken
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GRAND ENTRIES

1:00PM & 5:00PM



AMERICAN
INDIAN CENTER
ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY



ST. CLOUD
TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY
COLLEGE
A member of Minnesota State



COLLEGE OF
Saint Benedict
Saint John's
UNIVERSITY



721
St. Cloud Area
School District



SARTELL-ST. STEPHEN
ISD 748

NSSWE (Native Studies Summer Workshop for Educators)

Hosted by different reservations each year

We sent 7 school employees and a representative from our NAPAC

Dakota Culture Darlene St. Clair

Ojibwe Culture Bois Forte Community Members

We are looking to go again this summer 2025



MIEA (Minnesota Indian Education Association) Conference with NAPAC

Two-Day Conference with breakout sessions such as:

- Incorporating Traditional Talking Circles into Educational Spaces
 - Indigenous Responsive Teaching and Pedagogy
 - The Importance of Native Youth Involvement
 - Indigenous Teachers
 - Centering Ancestral Knowledge in STEM Education
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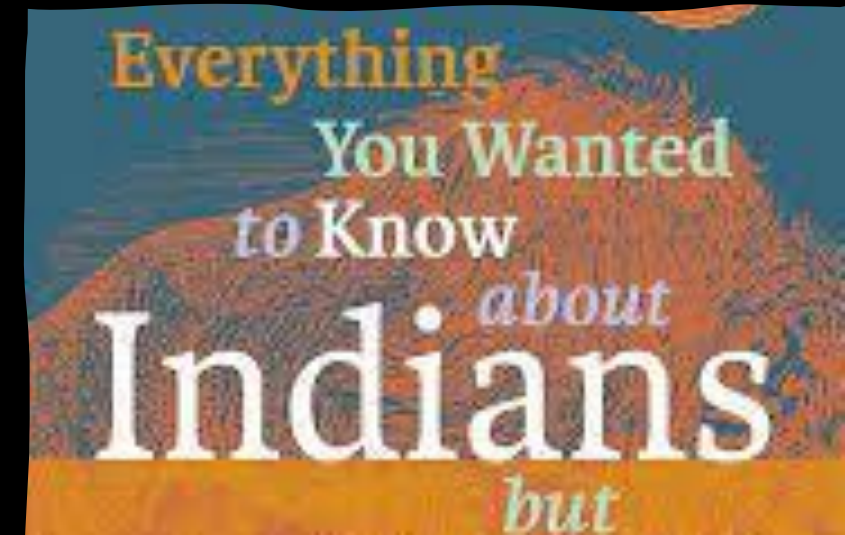
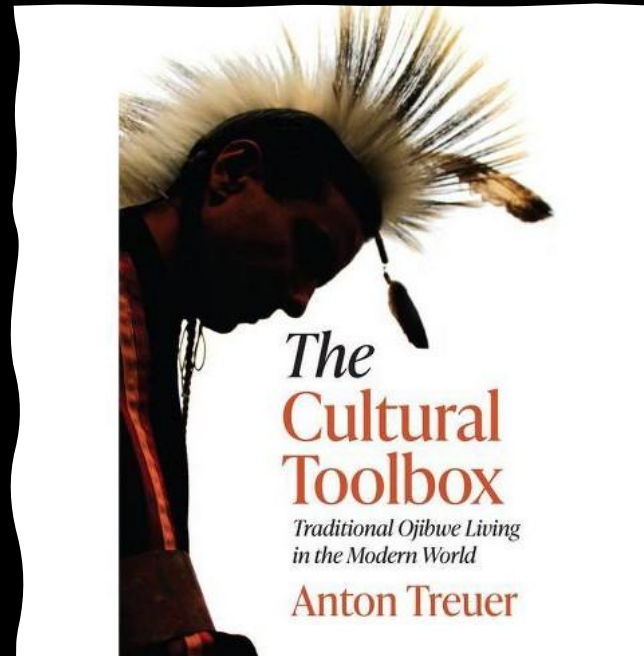
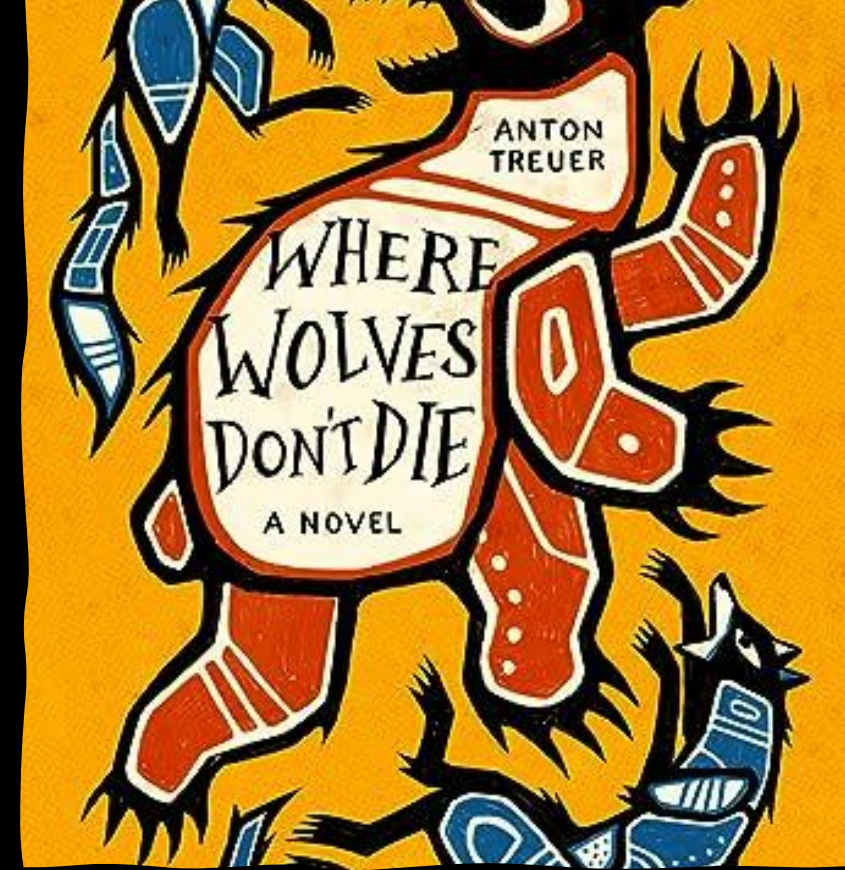


Virtual Professional Development with Dr. Anton Treuer

Teachers in Minnesota must now complete a re-licensure requirement focused on American Indian history and culture:

Focus on Minnesota Tribal Nations:

The training must specifically highlight the cultural heritage and contemporary contributions of American Indians within Minnesota's tribal communities.



CULTURAL EVENTS:

Native American Drumming/singing

Joe Jourdain - Ojibwe

- Affinity Space
- Talahi Cultural Night
- Red Tree Drum Group for graduations

Native American Storytelling

Fern Renville - Dakota/Seneca

- South Jr. High Cultural Night

Devery Fairbanks - Ojibwe

- Saturday Feb. 22, NAPAC



Construct Tomorrow Career Fair

Bring awareness to high school students about the amazing post-secondary opportunities in the construction and building trades industries.

Coming to St Cloud this year in April

constructtomorrow.org

Questions

AIPAC to NAPAC

Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.78, subdivision 1, states that a school district in which there are 10 or more American Indian students enrolled and each American Indian school must establish an American Indian education parent advisory committee.

Chair: Rosemary Wacker

Vice Chair: Niki DeGroat

Secretary: Jodie Peschl

Treasurer: Dion DeGroat

- Meets Monthly
- 8-20 parents and students per meeting
- **Annual Compliance (The Resolution of Concurrence or Nonconcurrence) and Recommendation**



Questions