

Post-Event Summary Report

Name of Event: WIEA CONFERENCE-The conference offers an opportunity to bring together community members, educators (both Indian and non-Indian), businesses, and organizations who are interested in Indian education.

Date of Event: April 10, 2025

Location of Event: Menominee Reservation Conference center Keshena Wi.

Sponsoring Organization(s): DPI and Wisconsin Indian Education Association

Conference Summary and Highlights-

The Menominee Clans Story: Teaching Tools for K-12 Teachers -This presentation provided a detailed overview of how to use the resource on Menominee Culture in classrooms and programming. The website includes clan stories, as well as the responsibilities and roles of each clan. These teachings are rich in cultural values and meaning. It also features interactive maps that highlight Menominee place names across Wisconsin. These tools will be incorporated into interactive displays, supporting our goal of including language to enhance and strengthen our programs, while also building meaningful resources.

Accurate Representations of People and Cultures in Public School –Detailed tools to look at learning material is a critical way and modify them so they reflect Cultural accuracy, how to correct and annotate current resources with the goal of understanding why the material need correction and inclusion where needed with the goal of delivering “no harm” information and resources. This information while presented as classroom materials and curriculum is applicable to all resources that support learning, including library materials.

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1EtEBRzFv1B8wDVgrEXG2tFdVsUJUkGQ8kpTHCU8xnas/edit?slide=id.g34046c7a163_0_126#slide=id.g34046c7a163_0_126

Honoring Native Stories: Bringing Indigenous Culture into Early Learning Spaces- Mouna Algahaithi, Early Learning Engagement Specialist PBS & Andi Cloud provided program idea and free resources for meaningful complete programs. Andi Cloud provided Ho-Chunk stories that we can use in story times.

Takaways:

- Doing things in a good way, with a good mind
- Working with gratitude- gratitude with the knowledge sharing, and communities
- Everything leads to something else- Language holds Culture and values-leads to accurate representation leads to supporting Indigenous stories by Indigenous Authors leads to Native Knowledge which lead to sharing and learning for all.
- I grateful for the opportunity to cultivate relationships with others, to insure reciprocal partnerships for the library
- Go out to learn something good, and bring it back home