



2017 NCAI Annual Convention  
Milwaukee, WI

**Tribal Sovereignty in Education & U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian  
Education Strategic Plan Listening Session**

Wednesday, October 18, 2017  
1:30pm-4:00pm  
Wisconsin Center  
Room 102C

**1:30pm- 3:00pm Tribal Sovereignty in Education**

**Moderated by:** National Indian Education Association Representative

- I. Welcome & Introduction
- II. Importance of Tribal Choice & National Choice of Funding Landscape of Charter Schools
  - A. Examples of Tribal Choice- Charter Schools
    1. Minisinaakwaang Leadership Academy- Mary Sue Anderson, School Director, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe
    2. Native American Community Academy-
      - a. Alan Lee Brauer Jr., Fellowship Director and Education Team Lead
      - b. Kristin Szczepaniec, Knowledge Manager and Indigenous Education Specialist
    3. Tribal Colleges and Charter Schools - Dr. Charles "Monty" Roessel, President, Diné College
  - B. Department of Education Federal Priorities on Charter Schools- Ron Lessard, Acting Executive Director, White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaska Native Education
  - C. Tribal Leader Dialogue

**3:00pm- 4:00pm Bureau of Indian Education Strategic Plan Listening Session**

- III. Bureau of Indian Education Strategic Plan- Tony L. Dearman, Director; Clint Bowers, Policy Program Analyst; Travis Clark, Management Program Analyst, Bureau of Indian Education
- IV. Adjourn