



**NCAI's 12th Annual Tribal Leader/Scholar Forum
BREAKOUT SESSION
Nehantic Room
1:30pm-4:00pm**

Serving our Students: New Futures for Tribal Education & Policy

Moderated by Councilwoman Robin Sigo, Suquamish Tribe

The future of tribal education is in our hands. How will we shape better, stronger outcomes for our youth? How will we exercise greater self-determination over schools to ensure the needs of all students are not only identified in the data but acted upon through proactive policy reform? We have reached a critical juncture; our concurrent policy concerns must interface with the latest research on education and practice. This panel of experts will share their insights on how data can inform our next steps.

Presenters:

The Future of Ed: What do Charter Schools mean for Indian Country?

Diana Cournoyer, National Indian Education Association

The Misidentification of AI/ANs: Tracking and Supporting Native Students

Barbara Aston, Washington State University
Dr. Yolanda Bisbee, University of Idaho-Moscow
Laura John, Education Northwest
Sara Marie Ortiz, Highline Public Schools
Patricia Whitefoot, Toppenish School District

Reflections on the School-to-Prison Pipeline

Dr. Dan Losen, Center for Civil Rights Remedies, UCLA Civil Rights Project