We are announcing an upcoming joint virtual Tribal Consultation with the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) and the U.S. Department of Education (ED), and the White House Initiative on American Indian and Alaska Native Education (WHIAIANE) to obtain oral and written comments regarding opportunities to improve educational outcomes for American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth at BIE-funded schools.

The Departments seek to engage Tribes, Tribal organizations and communities, Native youth and other stakeholders on topics related to the Departments’ roles in promoting student achievement and ensuring quality education opportunities for AI/AN youth from early childhood through adulthood in accordance with a Tribe’s needs for cultural and economic well-being. Specifically, the Departments’ are seeking input on how each Department can more effectively use its specific resources and expertise to support the educational needs of BIE-funded school AI/AN youth and Tribal communities nationwide.

Through this virtual Tribal Consultation the Departments hope to hear what are the best ways the Departments can use their resources and expertise to promote more effective school reform efforts in BIE-funded schools that serve AI/AN students, with a particular emphasis on students with disabilities and students served under Title I; and enhance the Departments’ quality research, data collection, and dissemination of best practices with regard to the education of AI/AN students.

The session times, date and location are listed below along with potential questions and link to registration on the WHIAIANE website: https://sites.ed.gov/whiaiane/

Virtual Tribal Consultation

- Friday, June 29, 2018 from 1 to 4 p.m. (Eastern)
- To register, go to https://tinyurl.com/yd5v75br

As we conduct these listening sessions, we invite you to provide input and feedback in writing. The comment deadline is Monday, July 16, 2018.

Please provide your comments and recommendations as indicated below:

**By E-Mail:** TribalConsultation@ed.gov  Subject line: BIE/ED Virtual Tribal Consultation

We look forward to your participation and input.