

**2019 Native American Critical Issues Conference**

**Sponsored by the Michigan Indian Education Council**

**March 7-9, 2019**

**West Bay Beach Holiday Inn Resort**

**Traverse City, MI**

**Agenda at a Glance**

*Note: Youth attendees are encouraged to attend all plenary sessions and other sessions designated as youth sessions.*

Thursday 4:00-6:00pm Plenary Session	Reception In View Room
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Friday 7:00-9:00am Plenary Session	Breakfast in View Room
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Friday 8:30-10:00am Plenary Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Ceremony in Leelanau Conference Room</li> <li>• Welcome from MIEC President, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and the State of Michigan</li> <li>• General MIEC Election</li> <li>• Keynote Speaker, Eric Hemenway, Navigating the Winds of Change: How the Anishinaabek Used Education to Avoid Removal</li> </ul>		
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Leelanau Conference Room	Old Mission Rooms	Torch Lake Room
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Friday 10:00-10:15am Break			
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Friday 10:15-11:30am Series 100	<b>101 Collin Church (General &amp; Youth Session)</b> National Native Youth Networking	<b>102 Adam Haviland (General Session)</b> Collaborative Research: Expanding the Documentary Record for Two Algonquian Languages of the Great	<b>103 Linda Woods (General Session)</b> Using Our Sacred Breath
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Friday 11:30- 11:45am Break	<i>Youth track attendees should gather in hotel lobby to be transported to Northwestern Michigan College. Report to Collin Church.</i>		
Friday 11:45- 12:45pm Series 200	201 <b>Anne Heidemann (General Session)</b> Decolonizing Libraries to Foster Community Well-being	202 <b>Heather Bruegl (General Session)</b> A History of Native American Policy	203 <b>Martin Reinhardt &amp; Tina Moses (General Session)</b> Preliminary Findings of the Indigenous Foods TEKnology in the Great Lakes Region Study
Friday 12:45-1:45pm Break	Lunch (Available for Purchase at Hotel) Youth Track Participants will be Treated to Pizza at NMC		
Friday 1:45-2:45pm Series 300	301 <b>Rochelle Ettawageshik, Lisa Tollenaar Kurtz &amp; TJ Derwin (General Session)</b> National and Statewide Information on Indian Child Welfare	302 <b>Livy Drexler (General Session)</b> Challenges Facing Native Youth Tracked into Special Education Programs	303 <b>Dylan Miner (General Session)</b> Screenprinting for the Land and the Water
Friday 2:45-3:00pm Break			
Friday 3:00-4:00 pm Series 400	401 <b>Levi Rickert (General &amp; Youth Session)</b> The Making of the Standing Rock Exhibition	402 <b>Larry Denemy (General Session)</b> Nodin miinwa Giizhik (Wind and Sky)	403 <b>Dan Kota (General Session)</b> Anishinaabe Language and the Digital Realm
Friday 4:00-4:15pm Break			
Friday 4:15-5:15pm Series 500	501 <b>Kevin Leonard (General &amp; Youth Session)</b>	502 <b>Kenny Pheasant (General Session)</b> "Endaaying" "Our Home"	503 <b>Neoshia Roemer &amp; Monica Williamson (General Session)</b>

	Native American Business Institute: Developing Our Future Leaders		Advising, Identifying, and Supporting Native Students in the Pipeline to Legal Education
Friday 5:15 – 6:15 Plenary Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wenona Singel, Governor Whitmer’s Advisor on Tribal Affairs The Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver: It’s Purpose, Use, and Promise</li> </ul>		

Saturday 8:30-9:30am Plenary Session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tri-Lateral Panel of American Indian Education Agencies with Sam Morseau (Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Education Department and CMTE), Jennifer LaPointe (State of Michigan Department of Education), Lynn LaPointe (State of Michigan Department of Education), and Tara Ramsey (United States Department of Education, Office of Indian Education) Moderated by Dr. Martin Reinhardt</li> </ul>		
	Room A	Room B	Room C
Saturday 9:30-9:45am Break			
Saturday 9:45-10:45am Series 600	<b>601 Kristy Phillips (General &amp; Youth Session)</b> Sacred Breath of Life and the Creation Story: Neshnabe Yatsokan Mine Bmadzewen	<b>602 Dan Kota (General Session)</b> Digital Security Practices for Non-Profits	<b>603 Sean Kottke and Kelli Cassaday (General Session)</b> Anishinaabemowin Culture and Language Endorsement Partnership
Saturday 10:45-11:00am Break			
Saturday 11:00-Noon Series 700	<b>701 Dylan Jennings (General &amp; Youth Session)</b> GLIFWC Resources for the Educator: Tribal Treaty Rights and Sovereignty in the Classroom	<b>702 Frank Ettawageshik (General Session)</b> International Efforts to Protect Traditional Knowledge	<b>703 Judy Pamp (General Session)</b> Closing Gaps & Creating Opportunities: American Indian History & Curriculum in the Classroom

<p>Saturday 12:00-1:30pm Plenary Session</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lunch</li><li>• MIEC Distinguished Service Award Presented by Frank Ettawageshik</li><li>• Keynote Speaker, Bucko Teeple</li><li>• Closing Ceremony</li></ul>
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