



**Policy & Program Updates
for Indigenous Stakeholders
Monday, February 28, 2022
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (MST)**

Meeting Purpose: Establish a monthly convening of Partners in Education in order to;

- facilitate connections to and understanding of Arizona Department of Education operations and impacts of policy for Native American students.
- provide direct avenues of communication that support continuous stakeholder input & feedback to support the education of Native American students.
- build capacity to engage with school leaders to leverage resources that assist in closing the digital divide and addressing school-wide needs.

I. Welcome & Introductions

II. Policy & Program Updates
Policy Specialist-Tribal Liaison, *Sahmie Wytewa*

III. Certification Unit Update
Director of Certification, *Michelle Brady*

IV. Educator Pathways; UA Indigenous Teacher Education Program
Program Co-Directors, *Jeremy Garcia & Valerie Shirley*

V. Culturally-Responsive Professional Learning Opportunities
Professional Learning Specialist, *Helen Thomas*

VI. Comment, Questions, Recommendations