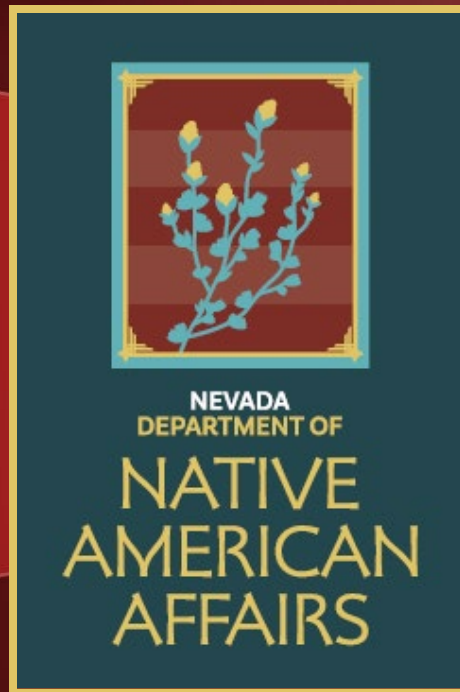


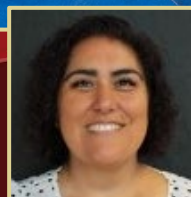
# Meeting Our Mission through Education...



# LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We begin all formal meetings with acknowledging that lands we gather on...The Numa, the Newe, the Nuwuvi, Wa She Shu, and Pipa Aha Macav have lived in the Great Basin since time began. Please join me in offering our deepest respect and gratitude to our five major Indigenous groups; the Northern Paiute, the Shoshone, the Southern Paiute, the Washoe and the Mojave— not just the original caretakers of the land we now call Nevada--but for their enduring stewardship and protection of our shared lands and waterways. Today, the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs reaffirms its commitment to improve the quality of life for our 28 Tribal Nations, Bands, Colonies, and the 62,000-plus Urban Indians who choose to make Nevada their current home.”

# TODAY'S PRESENTER







# **DNAA MISSION:**

**Improve the quality of life  
for  
28 Nations  
&  
62,000  
Urban Indians**

# PURPOSE



“The purpose of the Nevada Department of Native American Affairs shall be to study matters affecting the social and economic welfare and well-being of American Indians residing in Nevada...matters and problems relating to Indian affairs and to federal and state control, responsibility, policy and operations affecting such Indians.”

NRS233A.090



# WHY HIGHLY EDUCATED?

- ❖ Socio-Economic Status
- ❖ Civically Engaged Leaders
- ❖ Cultural Representation
- ❖ Cultural Preservation
- ❖ Addresses Historic Marginalization
- ❖ Access to Better Healthcare
- ❖ More Likely to Navigate Mainstream Society



# BY THE NUMBERS

## In Our Country

- ❖ 449,400 Native Learners  
1% of population

## In Our State:

- ❖ 3,778 Native Learners  
1% of population

## ❖ Only self-identified AI/AN *only*

27% in Clark County  
4 Schools on Tribal Lands  
BIE School Pyramid Lake





# HIGHER EDUCATION DATA

## In Our Country

- ❖ 22% of AI/AN population

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## In Our State:

- ❖ 2023

80 of 11,855 total = 0.67%

- ❖ 2022

72 of 10,887 total = 0.66%

- ❖ 2021

83 of 10,753 total = 0.77%

- ❖ Only self-identified AI/AN





# NATIVE AMERICAN FEE WAVER

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
<b>UNLV</b>	10	19	47
<b>UNR</b>	73	94	197
<b>NSU</b>	1	1	6
<b>CSN</b>	4	4	21
<b>GBC</b>	18	11	58
<b>TMCC</b>	24	26	105
<b>WNC</b>	10	19	52
<b>NSHE Total</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>486</b>



**QUESTIONS?**

**Pesa U,**

**Nevada  
Afterschool  
Showcase**

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