

****Please Note:**

Each workshop will use the traditional talking circle* to share stories, ask questions, and explore problems. Each talking circle will explore each session's title. * A **Talking Circle** is where group members sit in a circle and make comments on the topic. 1) Only the person holding the talking stick (or other item) may speak. 2) An effort is made to listen as you would want to be listened to when speaking. 3) The talking stick passes around the circle.

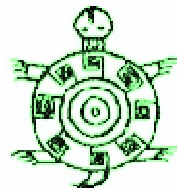
Anpetu Waste Duhapi

Chi Miigwegchi wendamang.

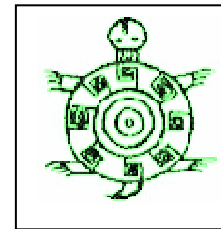
Oma bii ezha yag.

Zhawenin akina awa'.

Zhawand'ig.



Super Conference Language Track: October 26-28, 2006 Convention Center



Aaniin Boozhoo Mitakuyepi

**Pre-Conference Session: 9:00 am –
4:00 pm October 26, 2006**

Pre-Conference Session is divided into two major discussion areas:

Speakers include: Nailima Gaisaan, Tara Fortune, Amik, Neil McKay.

First Part: What does Immersion look like? How do Indigenous Language Immersion programs benefit children? How did Hawaii create a Hawaiian Immersion system - pre-k through higher education?

Second Part: What legislation and policies are needed to fully implement and fund immersion programs for the following areas:

*Pre-School:

*Higher Education

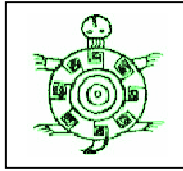
*K-12:

*Minnesota Institutions

Jerry Ojibwe and Gilbert Caribou will facilitate this event. Legislators are invited to this session.

Reception Following the Pre-Conference

Friday Workshops



10:00-11:30 am

What is the Dakota Ojibwe Language Revitalization Alliance

Presented by members of the *Native American Leaders' Circle*.

The Mission of the Dakota Ojibwe Language Revitalization Alliance is to protect and revitalize the languages of the Dakota and Ojibwe Nations. Come to this workshop to find out what they are doing and how you can become involved. Do you have some thoughts about language revitalization you would like to share with DOLRA members? Come and share.

Language Room 206

1:30-3:00 pm

What is the Difference between Pre-K and K-3 Curriculum & Immersion Curriculum?

Laurie Harper, Brendan Fairbanks, & Betty Jane Schaaf Beck

All of the core competencies for early childhood and elementary school can be embedded in an immersion curriculum. Children coming from immersion pre-school programs can have all the skills needed to be successful as they enter the k-12 system. What are the additional steps and challenges to creating an immersion curriculum? Join this talking circle to discuss immersion curriculum.

Language Room 206

3:30-5:00 pm

Implementing Teacher Immersion Training

Neil McKay, Invited :Tammy DeCouteau, Dennis Jones, Adrian Liberty, & Keller Paap

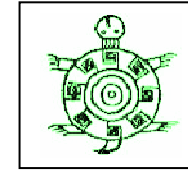
Dakota and Ojibwe University instructors have been working on a plan to develop a teacher training program for Dakota and Ojibwe Immersion teachers.

What does it look like? Do you have ideas for a teacher training program?

What can we do to begin the implementation phase?

Language Room 206

Saturday Workshops



8:00-9:00 am

What Would an Immersion ECFE Program Look Like?

Invited: Alicia Smith

Children learning a second language in a pre-school and K-12 setting works best when it can be reinforced at home. Language and culture are intricately tied together? How can parenting programs connect with the Language Revitalization? What would it look like? Come join this open discussion.

Language Room 206

12:00-1:00 pm

How Do We Get More Immersion Programs in the Community and reservations? Existing Head Starts? And Child Care Centers?

Leila Goggeye, Vicky Chavez Peabody, Margaret Boyer

Transforming your child care center into an immersion site isn't as difficult as you might think. Come hear how two child care directors worked with the Wicoie Nandagikendan Urban Imersion Project to become immersion sites. Join the discussion to explore how more child care programs, nursery schools and HeadStart programs can become Dakota and Ojibwe Immersion programs.

Language Room 206

Windows to the World 12:00 – 4:30 pm

A Celebration of Cultures From Around the World

This inspiring festival will include samples of food, dance, presentations, and a flavor of many cultures. You can experience: hair braiding, jewelry beading, henna hand painting, and more. Each exhibitor will have items on sale for our convenience along with food for your adventurous appetite. There will be dancers, drummers, singers, storytellers, and more from the majestic cultures from around the world.

Room 101 A