

WEEKLY READER

Bureau of Indian Education – Minneapolis Region

October 27, 2011

ISEP Tour

Thank you to all schools for your cooperation and participation in getting our ISEP information timely and efficiently at your schools! Now, please be sure to send in any additional information that was not collected at the visit as we need to complete all the documentation by FRIDAY, October 28. Thank you!

ISEP Transportation

Nay-Ah-Shing – please be sure to certify online in NASIS for your transportation information to be officially submitted. Thank you!

Environmental Management System

We are aware of some issues the EMS administrators are having since the BIA training. There is no definitive solution, but please submit a ticket to helpdesk@bia.gov to get your issues reviewed.

Parent Survey Data

Recently schools received the results from the Parent Survey for SY 2010-2011. Beth Tepper has reviewed the results for our region will be contacting the schools regarding strengths and weaknesses. This is a valuable tool for future professional development, as well as parent trainings. These results are important because they provide insight on what you can do to improve parent involvement at your schools.

NATIVE STAR

All 11 original Indicators from last year should be reassessed, planned, assigned tasks, monitored, and moving toward full implementation. In addition, the “7” NWEA Indicators added to the first report need to be assessed and planned for implementation—these should include tasks related to the upcoming NWEA roll-up conversations between principals and their staff. **Reports are due by October 31, 2011**—hit the submit button to show your current progress in your school improvement plan.

Reports on the Dashboard – All reports on the Native Star Dash Board should have been submitted for final review (Due date was 9/30/2011) by now. If you are having any problems or need any reports reviewed, contact Charmaine Weston at 952-851-5422.

Pam Alkire Departure

Pam left the ELO effective October 4 to pursue a life back in her home state of North Dakota. Please direct questions about audits, JO’M, or other areas of her expertise to Everett Bad Wound for the time being.

SPED

Indicator 11 desk audit is due by November 10, 2011. Return submissions to Connie Albert at: connie.albert@bie.edu, and cc to Beth Tepper.

EMS

October 28 2:00-3:00pm Everett will be participating in an EMS Management Review with the ADD and Solution Foundry on results of environmental management for Minneapolis Region schools. Please get your CFT members list to him by **TODAY** as was requested by a previous fax.

Did You Know?



Elouise Cobell, the spearhead of the massive Cobell v Salazar land dispute settlement, passed away October 16, 2011, from complications of cancer. She spent the last 15 years of her life fighting federal injustices in the mismanagement of funds they received from Native lands. As she stated in 2010: "I never started this case with any intentions of being a hero. I just wanted this case to give justice to people that didn't have it." She has ushered in a new generation of Native Americans who will not stand by and let government push them around, but they will stand strong for their land, their people, and their way of life.

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