

# WEEKLY READER

Bureau of Indian Education – Minneapolis Region

November 30, 2011

## ADD Safety & Security Call

The next ADD-East monthly Safety & Security conference call is November 30<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00am CST. Walter Goodwin will be hosting the call.

## YRBS

Youth Risk Behavior Survey will be sent to you from DPA for completion.

## Native Ways

See attached agenda topic and registration information. Nearest 2-day training will occur January 16 & 17 in Minneapolis.

## NATIVE Star

A teleconference with schools is set for December 1 at 10am (CST) with Charmaine Weston. Dial up information was sent in an e-mail yesterday to the administrators, but please contact Kirsten Johnson if you need the information again.

## NWEA/MAP

There will be a “3 Day Teacher Workshop” at Circle of Nations School December 5-7, 2011 for Circle of Nations, Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig, Fond du Lac, and Nay Ah Shing. Details were previously faxed to your school, contact us if you need more information.

## Let's Move! Indian Country

There are various webinars scheduled for December and January. See attached for more information or go to [www.letsmove.gov/indiancountry](http://www.letsmove.gov/indiancountry).

## Administrative Specialist

A selection was made November 15 for the new administrative specialist. It will be official when the background check and security clearance are completed through BIE-HR.

## EMS

Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig, Nay Ah Shing, and Oneida Tribal School will receive EMAP audits in 2012. You will be notified in advance.

## FACE Review

There will be a FACE review at Lac Courte Oreilles on November 29 & 30.

## NASIS Training

This week, Joe Geary, Beth Tepper, and Melissa Wallace from Infinite Campus will be working with Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig and Circle of Life for training on the SPED module in NASIS for the SPED staff to integrate it as a more common tool.

## Did You Know?

With Native American Heritage Month coming to a close, an important consideration for school-aged children is in finding legitimate well-written literature about Native American culture. The Patch has put together a list of recommended books for children. Here is a sample of some recommendations, the full list can be found at <http://annandale.patch.com/articles/honoring-native-americans-in-literature-4a94a4fb>.

## *1621: A New Look at Thanksgiving*

by Catherine O'Neill Grace  
The embellished story of the first Thanksgiving is put into more accurate context, looking at the lives and perspectives of both the English colonists and the Wampanoag people.

## *Counting Coup: Becoming a Crow Chief on the Reservation and Beyond*

by Joseph Medicine Crow  
In this 2008 American Indian Youth Literature Award Winner, Chief Joseph Medicine Crow tells his life story.

## *Crazy Horse's Vision*

by Joseph Bruchac  
This is a fictionalized account of the Lakota boy who became the leader and defender of his people.

## *Crossing Bok Chitto: A Choctaw Tale of Friendship & Freedom*

by Tim Tingle  
Martha Tom, a young Choctaw, crosses the Bok Chitto River while berry picking, encountering hundreds of plantation slaves longing for freedom. This is another 2008 American Indian Youth Literature Award Winner.

## *Jingle Dancer*

by Cynthia Leitich Smith  
Jenna works to find enough bells so that she can be a jingle dancer, just like Grandma Wolfe.

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