

NATIONAL TRIBAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENTS FORUM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2005, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
TULSA CONVENTION CENTER, ROOM C NORTH
TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Overview: For the first time ever, a National Tribal Education Departments Forum will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on Sunday, October 30, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Annual Session of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). NCAI has been a co-sponsor of the National TED Forums since they began in 1994. Other sponsors include the National Indian Education Association, the National Indian School Board Association, the Native American Rights Fund, and the Tribal Education Departments National Assembly.

The National TED Forums focus on informing tribal leaders, policy makers, and administrators about tribal sovereign rights in education at the local, regional, and national levels, and on gaining consensus on important Indian education policy issues. The National TED Forum in Tulsa has no registration fee and is open to all interested. Breakfast and lunch buffets will be provided to Forum participants. For more information on the National TED Forum in Tulsa, contact Martina Gauthier at the Native American Rights Fund, (303) 447-8760 or martina@narf.org

DRAFT AGENDA (as of Oct. 21, 2005)

9:00 a.m. Blessing and Hot Breakfast Buffet

9:15 a.m. Welcome and Introductions

10:00 a.m. *TEDs in Oklahoma: Indian Nations for Native Education*

A Panel Presentation and Open Discussion about the many and varied Tribal Education Departments located within the State of Oklahoma

Moderator: Quinton Roman Nose, Director, Cheyenne-Arapaho TED and Vice President, TEDNA

Panelists: Dr. Pete Coser, Muscogee (Creek) Nation Division of Education
Ted Moore, Director, Osage Nation TED
Deborah Echohawk, Director, Pawnee Nation TED

12:00 p.m. Hot Lunch Buffet

1:30 p.m. *Native Financial Education Coalition*, Presentation by Joanna Donohoe, Coalition Coordinator

1:45 p.m. *So you think that you know your Sovereignty, but what do you know about Sovereign Tribal Rights in Education?*

A Training Session for Tribal Leaders, Policy Makers, and Administrators about Federal Indian Education Laws, Programs, Policies, and Tribal Sovereignty. Brief Presentations and resource information will be followed by an open question and answer period -- bring your questions to be answered by experts from the National Indian Education Association, the Native American Rights Fund, the Tribal Education Departments National Assembly, and others.

3:30 p.m. Wrap up and Closure