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SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION TO ATTEND NIEA 55TH ANNUAL TRADE AND CONVENTION SHOW

This notice serves to inform that a quorum of the Board of Education will be attending the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) Conference, taking place from October 8-12, 2024. This year's theme, "Empowering Voices, Celebrating Cultures," reflects our ongoing commitment to integrating native languages and cultures into our educational practices.

The conference will begin with the Tribal Leaders Breakfast on Tuesday, October 8, at 8:00 a.m., followed by a series of pre-convening sessions designed specifically for tribal leaders. The event will feature a variety of sessions, including educator workshops, student-focused activities, and a vibrant Culture Night celebration.

Agenda Highlights:

- **Tuesday, October 8:**
 - 8:00 a.m. — Tribal Leaders Breakfast
 - 9:00 a.m. — Convention Registration
 - Pre-Convening Sessions (Tribal Leaders Only)
- **Wednesday, October 9:**
 - 8:30 a.m. — Educator Day Pre-Convening Sessions
 - 1:00 p.m. — Trade Show Exhibitor Move-In
 - 6:00 p.m. — Culture Night
- **Thursday, October 10:**
 - 8:30 a.m. — Convention Registration
 - 11:30 a.m. — Research Symposium
 - 1:00 p.m. — Opening General Assembly
 - 2:30 p.m. — Workshop Sessions A, B, and C
 - 4:00 p.m. — Trade Show
- **Friday, October 11:**
 - 8:00 a.m. — Student Day
 - 9:30 a.m. — Research Symposium
 - 1:00 p.m. — Workshop Sessions D, E, and F
 - 2:30 p.m. — Workshop Sessions G, H, and I
 - 6:00 p.m. — Powwow
- **Saturday, October 12:**
 - 8:00 a.m. — Members Breakfast (NIEA Members Only)
 - 9:00 a.m. — Workshop Sessions J
 - 10:30 a.m. — Closing General Assembly
 - 12:00 p.m. — Trade Show & Breakdown

The NIEA Conference provides an invaluable platform for our Board members to engage with fellow educators, tribal leaders, and advocates dedicated to enhancing Native education. We anticipate that the insights gained from this experience will empower our efforts to enrich our students' learning environments.

We look forward to sharing knowledge and strategies that will strengthen our commitment to native languages and cultures within our schools. For more information about the NIEA Conference and its agenda, please visit niea.org.

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