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BIE Update

TIBC Presentation

Mississippi Band of Choctaw



Navajo Nation



Havasupai



What is New?

- SIE – 6 tribes awarded
- TCU Bridge– Finalizing funds dispersion
- BIE Language Policy – Developing with tribes and schools
- Native Language Summit – Fluency, Relevance and Sustainability
- JOM – New Coordinator, Accepting submissions through December
- Induction program for teachers & principals

BIE Reorganization

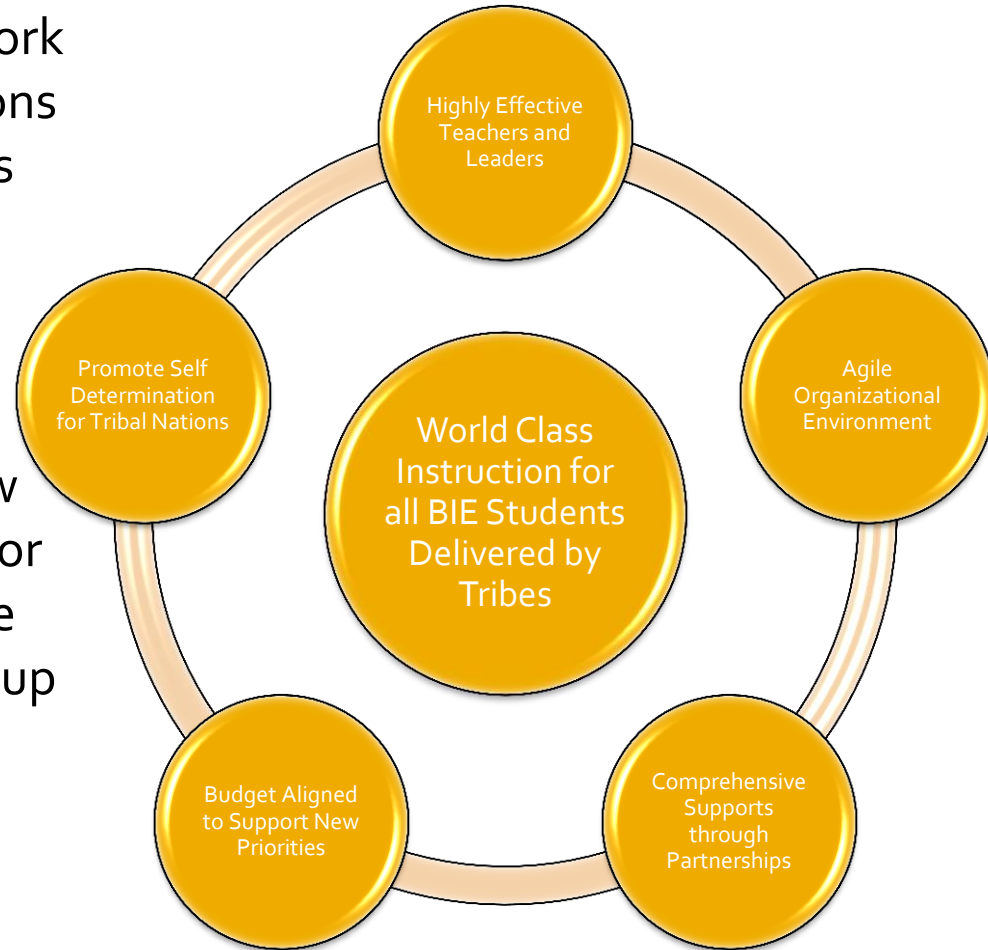
- BIE has established an Acquisitions and a Human Resources office utilizing existing resources to address major business concerns based on recommendations from the American Indian Study Group.
- Currently BIE is working with DOI and ASIA offices to transition to the full School Operations Division described in Secretarial Order 3334.

Transformation Initiative

- The transition effort involves working in small groups to operationalize each business line.
 - Education Teacher and Principal Recruitment
 - Education Acquisitions and Grants
 - Education Information Technology
 - Education Communications
 - Education Facilities

Blueprint for Reform

- The Study Group drafted a framework for reform based on listening sessions with tribal leaders, Indian educators and others throughout Indian Country.
- The topics focused on how to facilitate tribal sovereignty in American Indian education and how to improve educational outcomes for students at BIE-funded schools. The recommendations by the study group were organized into a 5 pillar framework to transform BIE to become a champion of quality educational opportunities for all Native American children. The report was released on June 13, 2014.



Information Rollout

- Schedule meetings within next month
- Meet with all Line Offices that are closing
- Meet with all tribes impacted by Line Office closing
- Why decisions were made, what is new expectation, **how does this improve educational outcomes**

Tribal v. Local Control

- Many different definitions
- Can't shy away from this pivotal decision
- BIE's role is to facilitate not dictate
- Shared accountability and responsibility
- Standards, Assessments V. Curriculum, Instruction

Native Language

- \$24 M for Native language
- Early Childhood – increase funds for programs – immersion or bilingual or heritage
- Fluency
- Relevance
- Sustainability

Budgets

- FY 15, 16 and Beyond
 - Aligned to Blue Print for Reform
 - Education Adequacy
 - School Construction
 - Technology
 - ISEP
 - Self Determination
 - Tribally Managed School Systems
 - TEDs
 - JOM
 - Scholarships
 - New organization to meet new direction
 - School Improvement
 - Tribal AND BIE operated