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## Department of Diné Education participates in MSNBC Roundtable

Topics include the impact of COVID-19, Native American Heritage Month



The Department of Diné Education (DODE) was invited to participate in an MSNBC roundtable discussion with other Navajo Nation figures and division directors on Nov. 17.

Acting Superintendent Patricia Gonnie attended the discussion, hosted by MSNBC's Ali Velshi, to discuss the importance of a changing education on the Navajo Nation during the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the significance of Native American history in light of groups wanting to disregard the more tenuous portions of American history involving Indigenous tribes.

The Superintendent also commented on other issues that impact the Navajo people today and how we can improve Native education and history of Indigenous tribes.

Information on the roundtable air date and time are pending as of Nov. 19.

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