## NAVAJO NATION HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARINGS

to assess mistreatment toward Navajo and Native American Students

Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission ("Commission") will be conducting public hearings to assess mistreatment of Navajo and other Native American students attending K through 12th grade schools on and off the Navajo Nation. The mistreatment can be in different forms such as verbal and physical attacks, disparate treatment due to their culture, gender preference and bulling.

Every human being has the right to be happy, to be secure and live without the fear of reprisal. Indigenous peoples have the right to manifesting their cultures, religions, and traditions without the fear of being discriminated.

The Commission set the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples ("UNDRIP") as its threshold in examining Navajo human issues. UNDRIP was adopted in 2007 and the United States lent its support in 2010; it is an international human rights instrument that enshrines the rights of indigenous peoples. These human rights must be respected, protected and where necessary appropriate remedy instituted.

The Commission welcomes all parents, guardians and students to provide information on the treatment they received from school personnel at the schools they attend. The Commission will accept written testimony that are signed and dated by complaining parties

## The public hearings will be conducted in the following cities:

March 11, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Cuba High School Cafeteria 50 County Road 13, Cuba, NM

March 12, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Marriott Uptown Albuquerque, Salon F 2101 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM

March 13, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Gallup Community Service Center, 140 Bataan Veterans Ct, Gallup, NM March 19, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
Navajo County Public Works,
Chevelon Canyon Room
100 West Public Works Drive, Holbrook, AZ

March 20, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
East Flagstaff Community Library,
Community Room,
3000 North Fourth Street, Flagstaff, AZ

March 21, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Community Town House 601 South Navajo Drive, Page, AZ March 26, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM USUE Blanding Arts and Events Center 715 West 200 South, Blanding, UT

March 27, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Montezuma County Senior Services 117 North Chestnut Street, Cortez, CO

March 28, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM Farmington Civic Center 200 West Arrington St., Farmington, NM

