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Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission will be hosting public hearings to assess the mistreatment of Navajo and Native American students.

St. Michaels, Navajo Nation (ARIZ) – The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission (“Commission”) will be conducting public hearings to assess the mistreatment of Navajo and Native American students attending K through 12th grade in 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 bullying.

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 right issues. UNDRIP was adopted in 2007 and has been supported by the United States Government since 2010. UNDRIP is an international human rights instrument that enshrines the rights of indigenous peoples. These human rights must be respected, protected and, where necessary appropriate, remedied.

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 the complaining parties.

The public hearings will be conducted in March 2019 at the following locations: Cuba, NM; Albuquerque, NM; Gallup, NM; Holbrook, AZ; Flagstaff, AZ; Page, AZ; Blanding, UT; Cortez, CO; and Farmington, NM.

For More information contact the Commission at 928-871-7436 or visit the Commission website at www.mnhrc.navajo-nsn.gov.

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See attached flyer for dates and locations.

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The public hearings will be conducted in the following locations:

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

March 19, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
Navajo County Public Works,
Chevelon Canyon Room
100 West Public Works Drive, Holbrook, AZ

March 26, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
USUE Blanding Arts and Events Center
715 West 200 South, Blanding, UT

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

March 20, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
Flagstaff High School
400 W Elm Ave, Flagstaff, AZ

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

March 13, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
Gallup Community Service Center,
140 Bataan Veterans Ct, Gallup, NM

March 21, 2019 | 3:30PM-7:30PM
Community Town House
601 South Navajo Drive, Page, AZ

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



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