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NIEA Whole Child Initiative Findings Education Sovereignty “It Begins with Us”

We hope this message finds you well. We are writing to express our gratitude for your participation in the listening sessions on the Whole Child Approach that took place in March 2023. Your thoughts and experiences were incredibly valuable, and we appreciate the time and effort you put into sharing them.

Your insights have enriched our understanding of the Whole Child Approach from an Indigenous perspective and will play a crucial role in shaping our future actions and initiatives. Your willingness to engage in open and honest dialogue demonstrates your commitment to our shared goals, and we are sincerely grateful for that.

We are excited to inform you that we have compiled a comprehensive report summarizing the key takeaways from the listening session. The report encompasses the viewpoints expressed during our discussions and provides valuable insights to guide our decision-making processes.

Attached to this message, you will find a copy of the report for your review. If you have any questions or need further information regarding its contents, please contact NIEA Director, Whole Child Initiative, Melanie Johnson at mjohnson@niea.org or call 202-878-6284, ext. 415.

Once again, thank you for your invaluable contribution to our listening sessions. We greatly appreciate your participation and look forward to the future of the Whole Child Approach. We are eager for a paradigm shift to implement learning systems that truly embrace the Educational Sovereignty development of every child.

Sincerely,

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