

# Northwest Suburban Integration School District

## 2020-21 Inter-District Partnership (IDP) Series

### Bdote\* Sacred Sites Virtual Curriculum Presentation

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM



*\*Bdote is a Dakota word that generally means “where two waters come together.”*

This training will provide participants a more nuanced and detailed understanding of the place the Dakota people call home.

Our goal is for you to begin to experience and understand the place we live in as Mni Sota Makoce – as well as a Dakota worldview and sacred sites homelands.

- Learn what has impacted Dakota worldview and learn about teachings that make up that worldview?
- Learn about Dakota sacred sites throughout the Twin Cities.
- Learn how Dakota people have asserted a continuing relationship with these sacred sites.
- Learn about resources that educators can use to work to address this gap in knowledge and understanding of the Dakota.

*Iyekiyapiwin Darlene St. Clair*, will guide participants through the training.



As Director of the Multicultural Resource Center, St. Cloud State University, her department provides services and resources for students, faculty, and community members to research, educate, and broaden knowledge of historically excluded racial and ethnic groups in the U.S. She is also a visiting professor in the Department of American Indian Studies, University of MN, with expertise in Dakota culture and history, American Indian arts, cultural expressions and education, and Minnesota tribes and communities.

“Minnesota” is derived from the Dakota phrase Mni Sota Makoce, Land Where the Waters Reflect the Clouds—and the people's roots here remain strong. Mni Sota Makoce is, more than anything, a celebration of the Dakota people through their undisputed connection to this place, Minnesota, in the past, present, and future.

**RSVP by May 7th to:**

**<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/149735411647>**

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Registration paid for by district membership fees*



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