



**Tuba City Unified School District**

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Dear Tuba City Unified Students and Parents,

I am proud and honored to serve as the Superintendent of Tuba City Unified School District and would like to a moment to introduce myself and share my thoughts for the upcoming school year.

I am Tangle clan, born for Towering House people. My maternal grandfathers are Reed People and my paternal grandfathers are Salt clan. I am my parents' oldest child and have two brothers and two sisters. I have one son, three daughters and am a proud grandmother to a beautiful granddaughter. I attended Tuba City Unified from kindergarten through eighth grade. My high school experience was unique, and I had the opportunity to attend Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. After graduating from high school, I returned to Arizona to attend college at Northern Arizona University, where I earned a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Navajo in 1998 and a Master of Education in Educational Leadership in 2000.

I am enrolled in the Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership program through Grand Canyon University and am in the dissertation phase of the program. Earning this degree has been a lifelong dream of mine and it is hard to believe I am close to completing this program.

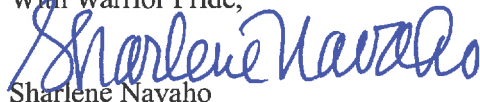
My work experience was substituting and teaching for Flagstaff Unified School District when I was in college and was close to graduating from NAU. In 1999, I started working for Tuba City Unified and have worked as a substitute teacher, coach, elementary teacher, Title I teacher, principal, beyond textbooks coordinator, district test coordinator, federal projects director and now superintendent.

Our community has a deep sense of Warrior Pride, and I am thankful for the opportunity to lead our school district. For the upcoming school year our schools and departments have established goals to support student achievement. In addition to the goals, each school is expected to reestablish **site council** and we will be seeking parents to serve on site council at each of our schools.

As a district it is our mission to be compassionate, positive, and transparent so that our students' innate abilities of a growth mindset, respect, and academic achievement rises above all challenges. A core foundational belief is that TCUSD strives to challenge each student to grow and to be career or college ready when they graduate from high school. As a school district, we encourage our parents and guardians to partner with us to make the educational experience for all students enjoyable and memorable. Parents are always welcome to reach out to the schools at any time.

I am eager to contribute to Tuba City Unified and look forward to the school year ahead. We are stronger together and will create pathways for our students to grow and be successful!

With Warrior Pride,

  
Sharlene Navaho

TCUSD Superintendent

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