**Lakota Nation Invitational Lakota Language Bowl 2022**

**Competition structure**

**Traditional/Contemporary Song Competition (Grades K-12):**Must be performed by the entire team in Lakota. Any traditional or contemporary song can be selected. The song can also be an original composition. The use of a hand drum will be allowed. ***Examples but not limited to****: The Lakota Flag Song, Itsy Bitsy Spider (Lakota version) Round dance, Pow-wow, Honoring Songs, Love Songs, The Lakota Counting Song, The Lakota Days of the Week song***.**

**Nursery Rhyme or Skit (K-2):** Any nursery rhyme or up to 3-minute skit performed by the entire team in Lakota.

**Traditional Demonstration Competition (Grades 3-12)**: Elementary and Middle School teams can have up to three minutes to complete their live demonstration, but no less than a minute. High school teams can have up to 5 minutes to complete their demonstration, but no less than 3 minutes. Time allotted starts when the students get to the table. No exceptions and the timekeepers will not wait. Traditional demonstrations must be done live and spoken in Lakota Language. No English words will be allowed. No Scripts will be allowed. No team coaches/sponsor are allowed in any part of the demonstration. Students have the creative option to choose a demonstration of their choice. **Examples but not limited to:**Beading/Beadwork, Quill work, setting up small scale tipi, Making/Drying Papa, Fixing/Combing Hair, Making a sandwich.

**Picture Competition (K-2):** This is a bracket competition with a moderator. Teams competing against each other will be shown a picture by the moderator individually for student to name picture in Lakota. Students will have 10 seconds to state the word after shown picture. If student is unable to answer correctly, the word will be extended to the opposite team. If the other team is unable to answer correctly no point is award to either team. Each word answered correctly will be given one point. The first team who receives 10 points wins the round.

**Lakota Speed Vocabulary Competition (Grades 3-12):**This is a bracket competition with a moderator. Teams competing against each other will be given a vocabulary word by the moderator. Students from either team can then ring the buzzer, if they know the answer. Students will have 10 seconds to state the vocabulary word, once they ring the bell. If a student is unable to answer, neither team gets the point. Each word answered correctly, will be given one point. The first team answering ten vocabulary words, wins the round. If a student rings the bell, they must answer the question. If the student is unable to answer the question, neither teams gets the points and the Moderator will pick a new vocabulary word. Once a student rings the buzzer, there is no sideline discussion with their team. Students must keep their hands on the table at all times. **NO** hand hovering over the buzzer will be allowed. There will be a Dakota speaking moderator available, along with our Lakota speaking moderator to negate any language difference. All LNI moderator decisions are official and final.

**Thematic Unit Speaking Evaluation Describing pictures. (Grades 3-12)** Older grades will be given a traditional picture to describe. Younger grades will be given a fun picture to describe. Correct use of words, sentences, and conjugation, will receive one point and the buzzer will start again. First team that gets to **10** first, will win that round and progress forward in the bracket. Once a team member hits the buzzer they are expected to answer the question. If a student fails to describe anything on the picture there will be no points given. Hands must be placed on the table. No hand hovering over the buzzer is allowed. There will be a Dakota speaking moderator available, along with our Lakota speaking moderator to negate any language difference. All LNI moderator decisions are official and final.

**Introduction**.Not a competition. We are asking that all teams introduce themselves prior to their demonstration or skit with: where they live, how old they are, and what school they attend. K-2 can introduce their name and age. Team participation will receive 25 points.