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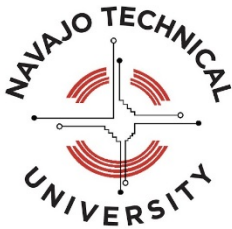
I was able to attend a very interesting event this week which was a report of research findings sponsored jointly by the Gallup McKinley County School District and the [American Indian Language Policy Research and Teacher Training Center](#) at UNM's College of Education. The presentation was conducted by staff with the [UNM Institute for American Indian Education](#). This was part of continuing research pertaining to the education of Native American children as sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation. These were serious people having serious conversations about educational history, current teaching systems and how Native American students are impacted. Thanks to Dean of Instruction Daniel Primozic and Division Chair Mark Remillard for accompanying me as we look at how these discussions can provide a platform from which we can take current research and put it into best practices to continuously improve opportunities and outcomes.



### Navajo Technical University Accreditation Celebration

At the invitation of Navajo Technical University President Elmer Guy, I attended a celebratory event which recognized the recent accreditation of NTU's electrical and industrial engineering programs. This accomplishment is

another step forward in accrediting baccalaureate degrees at their institution. The event was wonderful and highlighted the great people working throughout northwest New Mexico to improve educational opportunities. While there, Dean Primozic and I joined in conversations with representatives from NTU and NMSU-Grants about strategies for partnering and how collaborative efforts can be undertaken to leverage resources, expand offerings and strengthen higher education in our region.



## Holiday in New Mexico

Holiday in New Mexico has become a tradition at UNM-Gallup and it was a joy to once again showcase our college and welcome campus members, community friends and Lobos (past, present and future) as we joined in celebrating the holiday season with southwest hospitality. As I strolled the grounds and made note of the many departments, divisions and groups who came together to set out over 1,000 luminarias I was made especially aware of the power of teamwork and its ability to make our campus shine brightly on the outside - and the inside. Happy Holidays to all!

