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**TITLE: An Action Relating to the Health, Education and Human Services Committee; Approving the Navajo Head Start Eligibility, Recruitment, Enrollment, Selection, & Attendance Policy and Procedures and the Navajo Head Start Family Engagement Partnership Process Policy and Procedures**

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**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY SHEET**

**Tracking No. 0151-23**

**DATE:** July 3, 2023

**TITLE OF RESOLUTION: AN ACTION RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE; APPROVING THE NAVAJO HEAD START ELIGIBILITY, RECRUITMENT, ENROLLMENT, SELECTION, & ATTENDANCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES AND THE NAVAJO HEAD START FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP PROCESS POLICY AND PROCEDURES**


**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this proposed resolution is to approve policies and procedures for Navajo Head Start Eligibility, Recruitment, Enrollment, Selection, & Attendance and Navajo Head Start Family Engagement Partnership Process.

**This written summary does not address recommended amendments as may be provided by the standing committees. The Office of Legislative Counsel requests each Council Delegate to review each proposed resolution in detail.**

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2 25<sup>th</sup> NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL — First Year, 2023

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11 AN ACTION  
12 RELATING TO THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES  
13 COMMITTEE; APPROVING THE NAVAJO HEAD START ELIGIBILITY,  
14 RECRUITMENT, ENROLLMENT, SELECTION, & ATTENDANCE POLICY AND  
15 PROCEDURES AND THE NAVAJO HEAD START FAMILY ENGAGEMENT  
16 PARTNERSHIP PROCESS POLICY AND PROCEDURES

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18 BE IT ENACTED:

19 **SECTION ONE. AUTHORITY**

- 20 A. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is a standing committee of  
21 the Navajo Nation Council empowered to “establish Navajo Nation policy,  
22 promulgate rules and regulations governing health, social services, education,  
23 human services, and general government services of the Navajo Nation and its tribal  
24 organizations, entities, and enterprises.” 2 N.N.C. §§ 400 (A), 401 (B)(1).  
25 B. The Health, Education and Human Services Committee is the oversight committee  
26 for the Department of Diné Education. 2 N.N.C. § 401(C)(1). Navajo Head Start is  
27 a program within the Department of Diné Education.

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29 **SECTION TWO. FINDINGS**  
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- 1 A. The Navajo Head Start Eligibility, Recruitment, Enrollment, Selection,  
2 & Attendance (“ERSEA”) Policy and Procedures is attached as **Exhibit 1**. The  
3 Navajo Nation Board of Education (the “Board”) approved Resolution NNBENO-  
4 824-2022, attached as **Exhibit 2**, supporting the ERSEA Policy and Procedures.  
5 The Navajo Head Start Policy Council’s Resolution NHSPC-11-02-2022,  
6 supporting the ERSEA Policies and Procedures, is attached to the Board’s  
7 Resolution as **Exhibit A of Exhibit 2**.
- 8 B. The Navajo Head Start Family Engagement Partnership Process Policy and  
9 Procedures (“Family Engagement Policies and Procedures”) are attached as **Exhibit**  
10 **3**. The Board approved Resolution NNBE0-824-2022, attached as **Exhibit 4**,  
11 supporting the Family Engagement Policy and Procedures. The Navajo Head Start  
12 Policy Council’s Resolution NHSPC-11-03-2022, supporting the Family  
13 Engagement Policies and Procedures, is attached to the Board’s Resolution as  
14 **Exhibit A of Exhibit 4**.
- 15 C. The Navajo Nation Department of Justice (“NND0J”) determined that any Navajo  
16 Head Start policies and/or procedures that could affect “someone or something”  
17 outside of the Navajo Head Start Program must be reviewed by NND0J. It further  
18 recommended that the Navajo Head Start seek oversight approval for the Navajo  
19 Head Start Family Engagement Policy and Procedures and the Navajo Head Start  
20 ERSEA Policy and Procedures. NND0J’s determination and recommendation is  
21 attached as **Exhibit 5**.

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23 **SECTION THREE. APPROVAL**

24 The Health, Education and Human Services Committee of the Navajo Nation Council  
25 approves the Navajo Head Start ERSEA Policy and Procedures as attached in **Exhibit 1**  
26 and the Navajo Head Start Family Engagement Partnership Process Policy and  
27 Procedures as attached in **Exhibit 3**.

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