Promising Programs and Practices: Support of Native Education

States should focus on the resourcefulness, resilience, and expertise of Native education.

Key Concepts

- Program: Set of practices, processes, and procedures with a coherent purpose and specific result
- Practice: A way of commonly doing something in particular situations
- Promising: Showing benefits in the population without rigorous scientific evaluation
- Promising programs and practices are created locally and may require modification for each situation/population

State Support

- Responsive to unique linguistic, cultural, and social characteristics of the Native student
- Evaluation for effectiveness with Native students
- Tribal consultation for accurate representation of Native students

4 State-Supplied Evaluation Services

- Development of evaluation guidelines
- Partnership with the state university to provide evaluation
- Sponsorship of Native researchers and educators’ work
- Publication of evaluation studies of Native programs

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