

Preferred Title:

Derrick W. Leslie, WMATED Director

Short Bio:

Derrick W. Leslie, is of the Red Horizontal People born for the Mesquite People, his paternal grandfathers are Black Sheep from Houck, AZ. He serves as the Tribal Education Department Director for his Tribe, the White Mountain Apache Tribe as well as serving on his Tribe's Health Advisory Board and on the Fort Apache Heritage Foundation which is a non-profit arm of the Tribe. He also serves on the First Things First Regional Partnership Council for his region which focuses on early childhood education at the State and regional levels as well as a Governing Board Member for the Northland Pioneer College. He is active in the Indian Education arena at the local, state, and national levels. He has an undergraduate degree in psychology from Grand Canyon University as well as a graduate certificate in public health research from Johns Hopkins University.