



Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Indians

Executive Branch of Tribal Government

Office of the Chief Executive

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Dear Mille Lacs Band Employees:

Aaniin. I'm writing to let you all know how honored I am to have been sworn in as Chief Executive for the Non-Removable Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. I am so excited to begin this journey with you to improve tribal programs/services and the experience of the employees who provide those services.

On Tuesday, during my inauguration speech, I vowed that I would help build a better future for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. But I also stated that I cannot do it alone. Instead, we need every Band member and employee to come together for the greater purpose of improving our communities. If you did not have the opportunity to attend my speech, you can still access it here: <https://millelacsband.com/government/official-documents-and-communications>.

On a separate note, Maria Costello has returned to continue serving as the Assistant Commissioner of Administration. Maria will be performing all the duties of the Commissioner of Administration until that position is filled.

Both the vacant Commissioner of Administration and Education positions have been advertised at <https://millelacsband.com/jobs>. I welcome all interested employees to apply, and I look forward to the interview process.

In closing, I appreciate all that you do in providing programs and services to our Band members. Let's work together to keep moving the Band forward. #ONWARDMLB.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Virgil Wind". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Virgil Wind
Chief Executive