

**Title:** “Eyewitness accounts of health benefits due to Menominee language revitalization.”

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**Abstract:**

This presentation is by a language teacher that has supported community language tables, taught college level language courses, developed language guides that support holistic approaches to health, and was instrumental in the creation of a language immersion school.

Menominee language revitalization efforts have increased the number of language teachers. As a result, there are more opportunities for language learning for the entire community. Language teachers have a unique community perspective as language teaching often extends beyond formal learning spaces and is intergenerational. This provides language teachers with a broad view of community and through this lens, teachers are able to see the positive impacts and connections between language learning and Menominee health and wellness. Improvements in language learners’ health that have been seen by the teachers include improved diets, increased physical activity, and stronger connections to community and environment.