

## DAVE ARCHAMBAULT, II

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Dave Archambault, II, is the 45<sup>th</sup> Chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. As the Tribe's top elected official, Dave seeks to find innovative ways to improve the governance of the Tribe, and the lives of its people.

As the Tribe of Sitting Bull, Standing Rock has a long and proud history. Today, the Tribe has about 14,000 members, and a Reservation of 2.3 million acres located in North and South Dakota. The Tribal government, in the exercise of its sovereign authority, operates a broad range of programs. These include education, health, infrastructure, environmental, nutrition, lands, finance and cultural resource programs. Dave is responsible for the operation, administration, and coordination of all these Tribal programs.

Dave is also actively involved in Tribal economic development activities. Standing Rock, for example, is one of the few tribes in the country to own and operate a telecommunications company, providing phone service on the Reservation. The Tribe also owns a Tribal farm, a propane company and two casinos. Dave brings his significant business background to the Tribe's oversight of these economic activities, which provide needed resources for Tribal programs.

As Chairman, Dave deals regularly on a wide range of issues with Congressmen, Senators, Governors, and other public officials. His work includes addressing Indian legislation both in Congress and the State legislatures. Dave regularly meets with Administration officials in addressing the needs of his Tribe. He has hosted numerous high-level State and federal officials on the Reservation.

In 2014, Dave hosted the historic visit of President Obama and the First Lady to the Standing Rock Reservation. During that visit, Dave accompanied the President and First Lady in a meeting with six youth from Standing Rock, who told of the challenges they face growing up on the Reservation, and about their aspirations for the future. Inspired by that visit, Dave has dedicated much of his time and energy to advancing the interests of Native youth.

Prior to serving as Chairman, Dave worked for United Tribes Technical College, directing a project that focused on developing the workforce in Indian

country through Tribal College trainings and industry partnerships. He also previously served on the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council, where he focused on economic development, renewable energy and government reform. He has also served as the Institutional Research Director/Business Instructor at Sitting Bull College, at Standing Rock. Dave has owned and operated a small convenience store in his community since 2002.

Dave has an Associates of Arts Degree in Business Administration from Sitting Bull College, a Bachelors of Science in Business Administration from North Dakota State University, and a Master's Degree in Management from the University of Mary. Dave has served on various boards, including serving as Board Chairman for both the Mor-Gran-Sou Electrical Cooperative, and for Sitting Bull College. Dave is currently the only Tribal elected official serving on the Tribal Issues Advisory Group to the United States Sentencing Commission, which is charged with providing the Sentencing Commission with recommendations regarding the disparate impact of federal sentencing on Native Americans.