

**Did you have a favorite teacher in childhood, before you left Oklahoma, at school or not?
What made him/her effective?**

Please describe your educational involvement in the San Francisco area, particularly your experiences Co-Founding the American Indian Community School in Oakland; The Native American Youth Center; and the alternative school mentioned in your book.

-How would you describe yourself as an educator, then?

-What were some of the memorable teaching qualities you encountered in those you wrote about -- militants, keepers of medicine, storytellers?

How has education in the Cherokee Nation changed in your lifetime?

-educational attainment level

-number of schools in the area

How many members of the Cherokee Nation live in the area? Please tell me about the schools in the area.

-How many? Public? Private?

-Funding? Cherokee (Head Start, Sequoyah H. S.)? Fed/State Government?

Curriculum

-What makes the curriculum in the schools of the Cherokee Nation unique?

-Have you encouraged any curriculum modifications, on any educational level, during your term as Chief? Are there any you would like to see in the future?

-When is the syllabary taught? May I have a copy to use with the article?

Who are some special educators you have known during your time as Chief? I read about Head Start Director Verna Thompson in the *Cherokee Advocate* . . .