

**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* . . .**