



MHA Women's History Month 2019

Dora Gwin

Ms. Dora Gwin is a Hidatsa Mentor in the Education Department's Language & Culture division. Ms. Dora (Ishaawiike) is named after her great-grandma Pearl Burr Young Bear, which means the "extra corn growth". She is from Mandaree. She is Flint Knife clan and a child of Chicken clan. Ms. Dora holds her BS in Elementary Education from the University of Mary, as well as her Master's degree in school administration from MSU in Bozeman. She has taught for 35 years in the school system and credits her grandmother Pearl for her knowledge of the Hidatsa culture and language. Dora is the founder of the Hidatsa Language Warriors group on Facebook which she started as a result of working with the TLC program in the summer of 2016.



As a Hidatsa Mentor Ms. Dora has been diligently at work with our apprentices working on Hidatsa language revitalization. As an educator, Ms. Dora has continuously fought for our language as well as our people. We thank you Ms. Dora for everything you have taught and continue to teach us.