

## NEBRASKA

Rural Development • Community Facility Tribal College Grant

## New Classrooms at College Help Meet Demand for Higher Education

Little Priest Tribal College in Winnebago, Nebraska, is experiencing continued growth in student enrollment which stands at 768 students for all campuses. This is a 40% increase and is expected to continue as the college pursues a robust recruiting and public relations campaign. As a result, the college needed more classroom space to meet this demand for higher education on the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska's reservation.

Funding was awarded under the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Tribal College Grant Program of \$158,656 along with the school's match of \$41,625 from their U.S. Department of Education's Title III, Part F pro-



New Classroom.

gram. The Winnebago Community Development Fund leveraged the federal funds with \$30,000, completing the \$230,281 in project cost. Fronting Highway 77 in the beautiful Ho-Chunk Village development, this 2,000 square foot wood framed classroom building is the first of the Tribal College complex on the new North Campus.

Just in time for the fall of 2013 semester's enrollment, Little Priest Tribal College opened up the new classroom building that provides space for math, science, composition, speech and other course work, a small administrative office, handicap accessible restrooms, and a changing room/breastfeeding center.

**Obligation Amount:** \$158,656 Community Facility Grant Tribal College Grant Program

**Date of Obligation:** 9/28/2012

Congressional District: Representative Smith, District 3; US Senator Johanns, US Senator Fischer

Partners: Little Priest Tribe from US Dept .of Education, Winnebago Community Development Fund

**Demographics:** The college meets the rising need for additional space to meet demand for college education.

**Impact:** Now the people who want a college education have that ability at hand.