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### Diné College Unveils New Academic Branding Chart

**TSAILE, Ariz.** — Diné College unveiled a new academic organizational chart earlier this month. And for academics, eight previous divisions now transition into four new schools.

Diné College Provost Dr. Geraldine Garrity shed some light on the new schools. The new organizational chart should be fully implemented by Fall 2018.

"This centralizes the programs," the Provost said. "It's an academic change that carries a lot of positives."

The four new schools — called "colleges" at big research-oriented universities — are the School of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), the School of Arts, Humanities and English, the School of Business and Social Science and the School of Diné Studies and Education.

The changes are consistent with Diné College ultimately moving toward a four-year institution status. Named to the Provost job on Oct. 4, Garrity said a benefit of the new academic chart, for example, is STEM emerging as its own school.

"One opportunity that can come out of this is STEM having its own, let's say, School of Engineering," Garrity said. "In the bigger picture, this represents an opportunity to build institutional centers — or in the STEM case, a Center for Sustainability, or something along those lines."

The Provost mentioned that the four new schools require the hiring of an equal amount of deans. Ideally, the buildings at the main campus in Tsaiile that house the newly-organized programs would be located next to each other, which fosters collaboration, the Provost said.