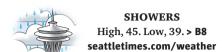






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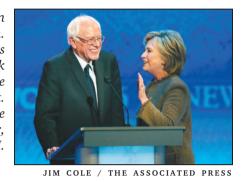




Democratic presidential debate

Challengers try to slow Clinton's momentum

Hillary Clinton chats with Sen. Bernie Sanders during a break at the debate Saturday at St. Anselm College in Manchester, N.H.



By ALAN RAPPEPORT The New York Times

Hillary Clinton and Sen. Bernie Sanders put aside the hard feelings over his campaign's breach of her voter data as they met Saturday night in the third Democratic presidential debate, opting to stick to the civil discourse that has marked the race.

Sanders explained what he knew

about the data breach and offered an apology to Clinton and to his supporters for letting them down.

SHE ACCEPTS SANDERS' APOLOGY AS CANDIDATES PUT ASIDE VOTER-DATA DISPUTE

"This is not the type of campaign that we run," Sanders said, promising to fire anyone else involved in stealing such information. His campaign earlier fired its data director and after the debate said it had suspended two more staffers.

Clinton said she accepted Sanders'

apology and wanted to move forward. With just six weeks until the Iowa caucuses, Clinton's two rivals are running out of time to blunt her momentum. Since last month's debate, the former secretary of state has widened her lead in national polls and most state polls, although Sanders is keeping the race close in New Hampshire, which

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Keila Lopez, 2, left, her mother, Esther Limas, and Iridian Sanchez Moran, right, of Atlantic Street Center, play with a children's doctor's kit at Limas' home in Renton.

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By NINA SHAPIRO Seattle Times staff reporter

siah Anderson Jr. had a seemingly simple exercise for a dozen young parents gathered one Tuesday evening in Rainier Beach. Say your name and your age. That's it.

It wasn't simple. The teens and twenty-somethings mumbled. They looked down. They shrugged.

Anderson, a guest speaker at a weekly support group for teen parents at the Atlantic Street Center, made them try again. And again.

"As parents, you are the spokesperson for your children," said Ander-See > FUND, A16

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STEVE RINGMAN / THE SEATTLE TIMES Native American lawyer Gabriel Galanda, center, listens to Nooksack members talk about disenrollment.

Lawyer takes on tribes that kick members out

HE FIGHTS DISENROLLMENT 'EPIDEMIC'

Nooksack case reflects struggles across U.S. over what it means to be part of a tribe

By NINA SHAPIRO Seattle Times staff reporter

DEMING, Whatcom County — In his big, gray truck, Gabriel Galanda makes a notable entrance into a Nooksack tribal-housing development of a couple dozen modest homes, set on a winding road about a half-hour east of Bellingham. Many of the residents, members of a sprawling clan who move easily in and out of each other's homes, appear with platters of fry bread, chicken adobo, baked halibut, salads, cupcakes and pies.

It's a feast befitting their biggest defender, one who has made their small tribe of a couple thou-See > GALANDA, A16

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