

Board Policy

Native American Policies And Procedures

BP 1221

Community Relations

It is the intent of the Alpine County Unified School District that all Native American children of school age have equal access to all programs, services, and activities offered in the school district.

It is the intent of the Alpine County Unified School District to fully comply with all requirements of Title VIII (Impact Aid Program) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (formerly Public Law 81-874), and to that end, the Governing Board has adopted as policy these Native American Policies and Procedures also known as IPPs. The IPPs by intent and by Board action supersede all previous Board action and are intended to bind the Board, administration, and staff of the district.

1. Tribal officials and parents/guardians of Native American children shall be provided an opportunity to comment on the participation of Native American children on an equal basis in all programs and activities offered by the Alpine County Unified School District (34 CFR 222.94(a)(2))
2. The district will annually assess the extent to which Native American students are participating on an equal basis in the educational programs and activities of the district. (34 CFR 222.94(a)(2))
3. The district shall seek input from the Woodfords Indian Education Center Parent Advisory committee, when necessary, in order to modify educational programs and services when progress is not being made, or there appears to be a lack of equal participation for Native American students. (34 CFR 222.94(a)(3))
4. The following materials will annually be disseminated to Tribal officials and Native American parents/guardians:
 - Title VIII Application with letter of explanation;
 - Evaluation of school assisted with Title VIII funds;
 - Program plans and information related to the education programs of the school district; and
 - Assessment data for Native American students and non-Native American students in the district.

Adequate time and opportunity will be provided Community Tribal officials and the Woodfords Indian Education Center Parent Advisory Committee and Native American parents/guardians to present views and comments regarding the disseminated documents. (34 CFR 222.94(a)(4))

5. The district shall solicit information from Tribal officials and Native American parents/guardians on Native American views, including those regarding the frequency, location, and time of meetings. (34 CFR 222.94(a)(5))

6. The district shall notify Tribal officials and Native American parents/guardians of the locations and times of other pertinent meetings.

7. The district shall actively consult and regularly involve the Woodfords Indian Education Center Parent Advisory Committee as well as interested Tribal officials and Native American parents/guardians in the planning and development of educational programs assisted with Title VIII funds. (34 CFR 222.94(a)(7))

8. The district shall provide specific procedures for assessing the effectiveness of Native American community input regarding the participation of Native American children in the district's education programs and activities and the development and implementation of the IPP's and for modifying the district's IPPs based on this input.

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1.1 The Alpine County Unified School District Superintendent and/or principal and/or Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory committee will meet two times annually with Tribal officials, parents/guardians of Native American children, Native American Education Center staff, and Alpine County Unified School District staff. The purpose of these meetings shall be to inform and to address comments and concerns regarding Native American children's equal participation in the educational programs of the district.

Generally, at least the following meetings will occur annually:

1. Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee meetings, five times annually.
2. Governing Board public hearing on Title VIII (Impact Aid) Native American policies and procedures. (Usually held in October)
3. Other meetings may be organized by the Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee and/or requested by Tribal officials and/or parents/guardians of Native American children.

2.1 The Superintendent and/or principal, in conjunction with the Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee, will review school data and comments with the Tribal officials, Native American community, and staff regarding the assessment and extent of Native American student's participation and progress in the educational programs and services of the district.

3.1 When assessment data indicate Native American students do not participate on an equal basis with non-Native American students, or make appropriate progress, the Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee, in conjunction with the District will create and recommend a plan or suggestions to modify the educational programs or services in order to attain equal participation or appropriate progress. Recommendations will be presented to the Alpine County Unified School District for action.

4.1 The complete Title VIII application will be sent to Community Tribal officials (and the Woodfords Education Center), and a summary, including breakdown of Title VIII monies and budget, prepared for all Native American parents/guardians in conjunction with the October Title VIII public hearing.

Review of new or continuing Title VIII programs is an on-going process of the Board. Agendas will be regularly forwarded to Community Tribal officials for the two meetings provided for in section 1.1.

Additional information is available upon request.

4.2 A Board meeting will be held, usually in October, for the discussion of the disseminated materials as part of a regular Board agenda. Community Tribal officials and Native American parents/guardians and staff will be notified at least seven days prior to the meeting. Notice will be posted in the school's district office and school offices and will be sent to the Woodfords Indian Education Center for posting.

5.1 At the Board meeting described in Procedure 4.2 above, members of the Native American community will be afforded the opportunity to comment and suggest alternatives to the regularly scheduled times, locations, and frequency of pertinent meetings.

6.1 Community Tribal officials, Native American parents/guardians, Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee, Woodfords Indian Education Center staff will be notified as to the location and times of meetings in the same manner as that provided for the October Board meeting.

7.1 The Title VIII application and breakdown of Title VIII budget/monies will be made available for review by the Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee and other interested members of the Indian community.

A school Board meeting to discuss equal participation of Native American students will generally be held in October at the Woodfords Indian Education Center or Hung A Lel Ti Wellness Center and Gym. This is also an opportunity to provide input on appropriate academic progress for Native American students.

The Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee and interested Native American parents/guardians, and Community Tribal Officials will review assessment data to develop or modify educational programs or services to allow participation and achievement of Native American students on an equal basis. These findings and recommendations will be presented to the Board in October, or as required by Federal guidelines.

Members of the Native American community, Community Tribal Officials, members of the Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee and staff will be notified of modifications to programs or services as stipulated in Procedure 4.1.

8.1 The Woodfords Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee and district staff will review parent/guardian and student input and surveys. Information regarding this input will be discussed at the public hearing in October regarding Title VIII.

8.2 The Woodfords Indian Education Center Parent Advisory Committee will review and adjust as needed the Native American policies and procedures on an annual basis prior to

September 1 of each year.

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