

## **6070 IMPACT AID**

It is the intent of the Flandreau Public School District that all Indian children of school age have equal access to all programs, services and activities offered within the school district. To this end, the Flandreau Public School District will consult with local tribal officials and parents of Indian children in the planning and development of Indian Policies and Procedures (IPPs), general education programs, and activities. These policies and procedures will be reviewed annually. All changes, assessments and evaluations of all school programs will be implemented within 90 days of approval.

### **I. Indian Policies and Procedures**

The Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe's preferred method of communication is through the school's website and Facebook. Our Indian Education coordinator has a webpage for all updates of policies, IPP, etc.

The following Indian policies and procedures become effective upon school board approval.

**A. POLICY (1):** The Flandreau Public School District 50-3 will disseminate relevant applications, evaluations, program plans and information related to educational program and activities with sufficient advance notice to allow the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe and parents of Indian children the opportunity to review and make recommendations. [34CFR222.94(a)(1)]

**PROCEDURES:** The Flandreau School District will disseminate information on the website at least 1 week prior to all meetings to seek timely input regarding the following programs on its educational program (including, but not limited to): Title I, Part A, Title I, Part C, Title I, Part D, Title II, Part A, Title III, Part A, Title IV, Part A, Title IV, Part B, Title V, Part B subpart 2, Title VI, Part A, subpart 1, Title VII-Impact Aid programs.

The completed applications, evaluations, and program planning will be made available to parents of Indian children, Tribal officials, and the Indian Education Committee at least one week prior to the April school board meeting which is the second Monday of the month. All interested parties will have the opportunity to review the documents with sufficient time to provide thoughtful input at the public meeting. The hearing will be publicly advertised in the Moody County Enterprise newspaper, the school's website and Facebook page. Before the one-week pre-posting takes place a notice will be sent to the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe to be posted in the Tribal Newsletter to allow all interested parties to attend.

In addition, representatives from the District and Indian Education Committee will schedule meetings with the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe (FSST) Executive Committee to seek input.

Parents of Indian children, tribal officials, the Indian Education Committee and any other interested persons can review assessment data to help develop or modify educational programs and services allowing for the participation of Indian students on an equal basis in the district.

The Flandreau Public School District will post minutes from the Indian Education meetings on the District's website for all patrons and Tribal officials to review.

The Flandreau Public School District will respond in writing to comments and recommendations made by FSST Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee), tribal officials or parents of

Indian children and disseminate the responses to all parties by posting on the school's website after the April school board meeting.

**B. POLICY (2):** The Flandreau Public School District will provide an opportunity for the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe (FSST) and parents of Indian children to provide their views on the District's educational program and activities, including recommendations on the needs of their children and on how the District may help those children realize the benefits of the educational programs and activities. [34CFR222.94(a)(2)]

**PROCEDURES:** In order to allow Indian parents and tribal officials to make commentary concerning (1)the needs of their children and the ways in which they can assist them in realizing the benefits of the education programs; (2)the overall operation of the District's education program; and (3)the degree of parental participation allowed in the same, the Board will disseminate to parents of Indian children and Tribal officials a questionnaire requesting their input and recommendations through the school's website and Facebook. Thereafter hold an annual Board meeting where such commentary may be reviewed by Indian parents, Tribal officials, and the Board. In accordance to their preferred method of communication which is the school's website and Facebook.

If participation in the survey results in a low return rate or the established meeting yield low participation by the parents of Indian children and tribal officials, the Flandreau Public School District will re-evaluate its plan and consult with parents of Indian children and tribal officials on ways to improve and enhance participation in the consultation process. The Flandreau Public School District may re-locate meetings or times to encourage participation.

**C. POLICY (3):** The Flandreau Public School District will annually assess the extent to which Indian children participate on an equal basis with non-Indian children in the District's education program and activities. [34CFR222.94(a)(3)]

**PROCEDURES:** The Flandreau Public School District shall annually calculate from its records the ratio of Indian children compared to other children participating academic and co-curricular programs ("school data").

Annually, the District Administrator (or a designee), administrators, staff members, the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee), Indian parents, and Tribal officials will hold a meeting to assess the extent of Indian children's participation in the educational program. At such meeting, attendees will analyze the school data and Tribal/parental commentary to determine the extent of equality of Indian children's participation with other children. This meeting will be held the second Monday of April and the information will be posted on the school's website at least one week prior to the meeting. The Flandreau Public School District will disseminate the results of the assessment of Indian participation to parents of Indian children and tribal officials by posting on the school's website at least 1 week prior to the release.

Parents of Indian children or tribal officials may comment on the results at regularly scheduled school board meetings, Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee) meetings, or directly to the school district by phone, email or writing. In addition, parents of Indian children and tribal officials may comment in the fall semester through a questionnaire requesting information concerning their views as to the extent of Indian children's participation in educational programs on an equal basis with other children.

D. **POLICY (4):** The Flandreau Public School District will modify the IPPs if necessary, based upon the results of any assessment or input described in this document. [34CRF222.94(a)(4)]

**PROCEDURES:** During the organization meeting of the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee), the Indian Policies and Procedures will be reviewed and revised if necessary. The Indian/Parent Committee shall serve as a task force to review the meaningfulness of Indian input, to review the extent of opportunity for Indian input and to review the District's response to Indian commentary. Once this had happened, the document will be forwarded to the Flandreau Public School Board as well as the tribal officials and posted on the school's website. This will allow for ongoing dissemination of information. If necessary, the Indian Education Committee may suggest revisions at other times of the year as appropriate.

E. **POLICY (5):** The Flandreau Public School District will respond at least annually in writing to comments and recommendations made by tribes or parents of Indian children, and disseminate the responses to the tribe and parents of Indian children prior to the submission of the IPPs by the LEA. [34CRF222 .94(a)(5)]

**PROCEDURES:** The Flandreau Public School District will at least annually respond in writing to comments and recommendations made by the FSST Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee), tribal officials, or parents of Indian children, and disseminate the responses to all parties by posting on the school's website at least 1 prior to the submission of the IPPs by the District. This will allow for ongoing dissemination of information.

F. **POLICY (6):** The Flandreau School District will provide a copy of the IPPs annually to the affected tribe or tribes. [34CR F222.94 (a)(6)]

**PROCEDURES:** The Flandreau Public School District will annually provide a copy of the current Indian Policies and Procedures to the FSST as well as posting the IPP on the school's website. This will allow for ongoing dissemination of information.

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