

CULBERTSON SCHOOL DISTRICT #17 J/R/C
RICHLAND/ROOSEVELT COUNTIES
CULBERTSON, MONTANA

NOTICE OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Thursday—September 17, 2026, 5:30 PM

PREVIEW BILLS.....5:20 PM

CALL TO ORDER.....5:30 PM

ROLL CALL

01. Action, establish quorum

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

- 02.

APPROVE AGENDA

03. Action, approve agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS

- 04.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

05. Action, approve minutes from the following meeting(s)
 - a. August 18, 2026 (August Board Meeting)

FINANCE REPORT

06. Action, pay bills, approve investments, and note cash & extra-curricular balances

REPORTS

07. Information, Student Representative Report—Student Council
08. Information, Teacher Report
09. Information, Activities Director Report
10. Information, Technology Systems Administrator Report
11. Information, JH/HS Principal Report
12. Information, Elementary Principal Report
13. Information, District Clerk Report
14. Information, Superintendent Report

* Items listed on the agenda do not necessarily indicate the order in which they will be addressed.

Mission

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. Action, Extra-curricular Contract

NEW BUSINESS

16. Action, Request for Speech & Drama Co-op
17. Action, Additions to the Guest Teacher List for 2026-2027
18. Action, Route #1 Adjustment
19. Action, Creation of SHARE Account
20. Action, Indemnity Bonds
21. Action, 2026-2027 Board Goals
22. Action, First Reading Policies: 7231 & 7231-P(1) Federal Impact Funds

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- 23.

REPORTS (Continued)

24. Information, Trustees Reports/Requests

DATE/TIME FOR NEXT MEETING

25. Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2026
Time: 6:20 Preview Bills, 6:30 mtg.
Potential Conflicts: JH BB vs. Fairview
Suggested Changes: Monday, October 19th or Wednesday, October 21st

ADJOURNMENT

26. Time of adjournment: _____

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SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
August 18, 2026
Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.

The Board met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Trustees present were: Chair Chris Petersen, Amber Fox, Chris Newbill, Lisa Steppler (via phone), Verlin Steppler. Representatives were Nicole Simonsen, Mike Olson, Janessa Parenteau, Dave Solem, Lora Finnicum. Visitors were recognized.

Amber Fox made motion to approve the agenda. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously. Public comment acknowledged.

Chris Newbill made motion to approve the minutes of July 21st (regular board) and July 31, 2026 (special board) meeting(s). Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Verlin Steppler made motion to pay the August bills, approve investments, note cash and extra-curricular balances. Amber Fox seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously. Payroll warrants #4384 to #4405 and claims warrants #14488 to #14536 were written.

Reports were presented.

Amber Fox made motion to approve 2nd reading of Policies 3612-P(1) School Provided Access to Electronic Information, Services, Equipment and Networks, 4330-NF(1) Community Use of School Facilities Gym and Weight Room Use Form, 4340 Public Access to District Records. Chris Newbill seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to offer extracurricular contracts to Cody Steppler for Head JH Boys' Basketball Coach. Chris Newbill seconded motion. For motion: Amber Fox, Chris Newbill, Lisa Steppler. Recuse: Verlin Steppler. Motion carried. Chris Newbill made motion to hire Kristen Petersen as Assistant JH Track Coach. Amber Fox seconded motion. For motion: Amber Fox, Chris Newbill, Lisa Steppler, Verlin Steppler. Recuse: Petersen. Motion carried. Amber Fox made motion to hire Russell Pfeifer for 6th Grade Advisor and Courtney Forbregd as 12th Grade Advisor. Chris Newbill seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to hire Julie Chambers as Guest Teacher pending background check. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to approve hire David Cosmano and Rhonda Larsen as part-time custodians, Brianna Evenson and Kelsie Williams as Paraprofessionals. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to approve the transportation agreement with Brockton School for 2026-27 for entering their service area with our bus routes. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Newbill made motion to approve gym cleaning for the Junior Class during the volleyball season. Amber Fox seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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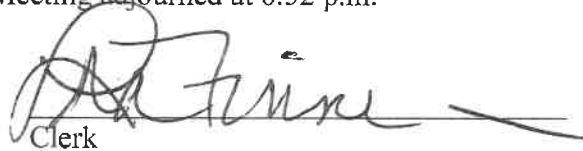
Budgets for 2026-2027 were discussed. Amber Fox made motion to approve 2026-27 budgets as presented. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to approve the resignation for Chelsie Flinn. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Amber Fox made motion to approve the transportation agreements with Froid and Bainville Schools for 2026-27 for entering their service areas with our bus routes. Verlin Steppler seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Notice for public comment for non-agenda items was given. Next regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. Amber Fox made motion to adjourn. Chris Newbill seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Board Chair

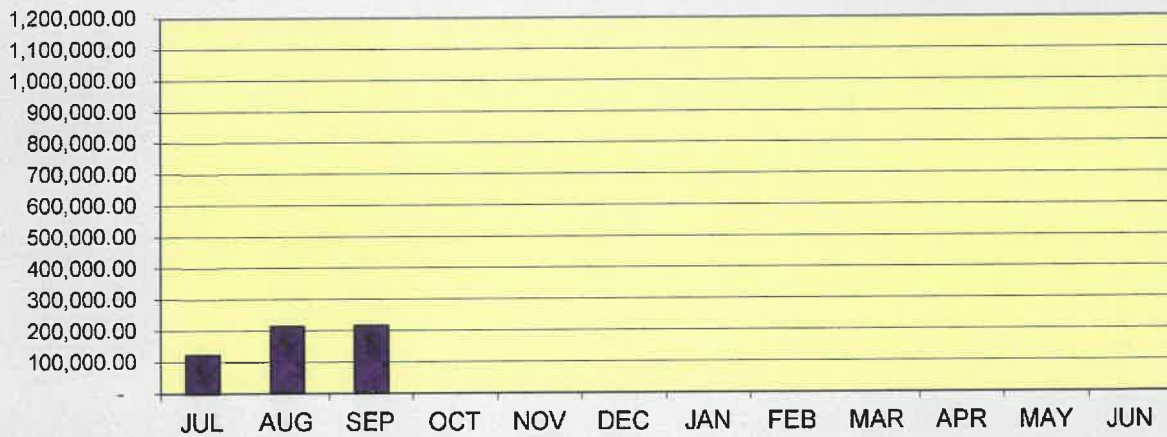

Clerk

CULBERTSON SCHOOL DISTRICT CASH FLOW REPORT
for the month of AUGUST 31, 2026

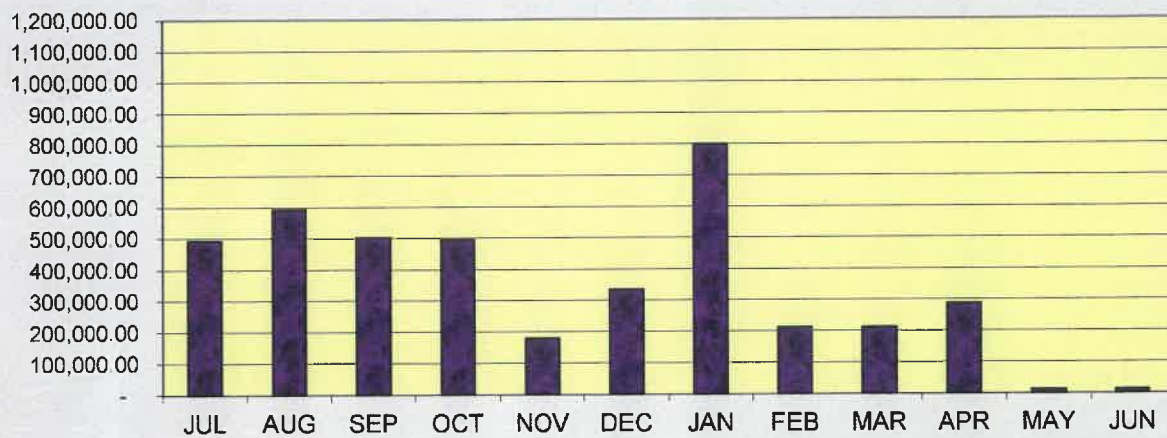
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	RECEIPTS	INVESTMENTS IN	INVESTMENTS OUT	DISBURSEMENTS	ENDING BALANCE	TREASURER BALANCE	VARIANCE
GENERAL	26,451.94	95,959.56	-	26,451.00	103,845.57	(7,885.07)	(7,885.07)	(0.00)
TRANSF	296.11	55,121.90	11,153.00	11,449.00	4,634.48	50,487.53	50,487.53	-
TUITION	13.62	11.58	211.00	224.00		12.20	12.04	0.16
RETIRED	22,331.35	33.72	20,091.00	42,422.00	5,523.95	(5,489.88)	(5,489.88)	0.00
MISC	8,725.51	12,500.00	-	-	10,126.75	11,098.76	11,098.92	(0.16)
Misc	3,986.00				1,018.15	2,967.85		
Title	-					-		
Mental H	9,565.29	12,500.00				22,065.29		
Ind Ed	-					-		
SRS	(13,744.80)				7,848.60	(21,593.40)		
JOM	8,919.02				1,260.00	7,659.02		
AD ED	8.09	34.75	5,383.00	5,391.00	1,599.37	(1,564.53)	(1,564.53)	-
COMPA	0.02		-			0.02	0.02	-
IMPACT	0.30	0.03	15.00	15.00	78,826.96	(78,826.63)	(78,826.63)	-
TECH	0.43	1,299.26	9.00	9.00		1,299.69	1,299.69	-
FLEX	0.80	84,145.05	-			84,145.85	84,145.85	-
PR	9,517.11	104,848.53			112,310.45	2,055.19	2,055.19	(0.00)
CL	62,106.76	270,337.19			312,209.17	20,234.78	20,234.78	0.00
ELEM	129,452.04	624,291.57	36,862.00	85,961.00	629,076.70	75,567.91	75,567.91	0.00
GENERAL	2,745.16	60,509.20	-	2,120.00	95,988.42	(34,854.06)	(34,854.06)	-
TRANSF	248.32	36,715.45	6,548.00	6,796.00	4,634.48	32,081.29	32,081.29	-
LUNCH	0.35	49.17	449.00	449.00		49.52	49.52	0.00
TUITION	30.97	20.78	859.00	889.00		21.75	21.75	(0.00)
RETIRED	38,975.17	2.60	1,549.00	40,524.00	5,357.23	(5,354.46)	(5,354.46)	-
MISC	30,394.48	1,375.00	-	-	134.56	31,634.92	31,634.92	-
Misc	30,394.48	1,375.00			134.56	31,634.92		
AG	-					-		
BUS	-					-		
FCS	-					-		
Perkins	-					-		
AD ED	14.08	31.73	5,662.00	5,676.00	1,599.37	(1,567.56)	(1,567.56)	-
DR ED	(625.63)		-			(625.63)	(625.63)	-
COMPA	0.01		-			0.01	0.01	-
IMPAC	0.12	0.08	49.00	49.00	1,122.19	(1,121.99)	(1,121.99)	-
TECH	0.55	839.70	5.00	5.00		840.25	840.25	-
FLEX	0.46	0.15	88.00	88.00	2,595.36	(2,594.75)	(2,594.75)	-
ENDOW	0.65	119.25	71,047.00	71,047.00		119.90	119.90	(0.00)
HS	71,784.69	99,663.11	86,256.00	127,643.00	111,431.61	18,629.19	18,629.19	(0.00)
TOTAL	201,236.73	723,954.68	123,118.00	213,604.00	740,508.31	94,197.10	94,197.10	(0.00)

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
201 General	-	26,451.00	17,923.00									
110 Transport	11,153.00	11,449.00	12,886.00									
113 Tuition	211.00	224.00	227.00									
114 Retirement	20,091.00	42,422.00	6,898.00									
117 Adult Ed	5,383.00	5,391.00	3,798.00									
121 Comp Abs	-	-	-									
126 Impact Aid	15.00	15.00										
128 Technology	9.00	9.00	1,308.00									
129 Flex	-	-	84,145.00									
201 General	-	2,120.00	-									
210 Transport	6,548.00	6,796.00	37,651.00									
212 Hot Lunch	449.00	449.00	497.00									
213 Tuition	859.00	889.00	889.00									
214 Retirement	1,549.00	40,524.00	1,918.00									
217 Adult Ed	5,662.00	5,676.00	4,076.00									
218 Drivers Ed	-	-	-									
221 Comp Abs	-	-	-									
226 Impact Aid	49.00	49.00	845.00									
228 Technology	5.00	5.00	-									
229 Flex	88.00	88.00	-									
281 Endow	71,047.00	71,047.00	42,451.00									
TOTAL	123,118.00	213,604.00	215,512.00									
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
201 General	4,080.00	47,448.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
110 Transport	70,379.00	70,379.00	92,157.00	81,358.00	21,242.00	4,901.00	96,186.00	43,489.00	43,489.00	-	-	-
113 Tuition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
114 Retirement	101,666.00	101,666.00	64,490.00	12,116.00	-	-	93,230.00	-	-	-	-	-
117 Adult Ed	1,679.00	1,679.00	1,020.00	259.00	-	3,904.00	5,020.00	3,349.00	3,349.00	2,774.00	-	-
121 Comp Abs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
126 Impact Aid	-	1,076.00	1,076.00	-	-	40,429.00	40,128.00	33,100.00	33,100.00	18,017.00	-	-
128 Technology	10.00	10.00	1,094.00	869.00	537.00	17.00	20.00	-	-	20.00	-	-
129 Flex	-	-	149.00	-	-	-	3,696.00	-	-	-	-	-
201 General	-	33,937.00	26,873.00	-	-	-	22,185.00	-	-	-	-	-
210 Transport	27,030.00	569.00	10,022.00	30,958.00	-	51,077.00	53,171.00	17,966.00	17,966.00	8,417.00	-	-
212 Hot Lunch	9,933.00	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,495.00	-	-
213 Tuition	-	-	-	-	-	-	226.00	-	-	-	-	-
214 Retirement	81,346.00	80,346.00	75,147.00	95,073.00	78,413.00	-	159,850.00	-	-	-	-	-
217 Adult Ed	2,012.00	1,680.00	888.00	464.00	-	5,262.00	5,359.00	3,555.00	3,555.00	2,979.00	-	-
218 Drivers Ed	-	-	-	3,419.00	3,419.00	2,693.00	2,659.00	2,270.00	2,270.00	2,198.00	-	-
221 Comp Abs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
226 Impact Aid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
228 Technology	4.00	-	-	666.00	666.00	6.00	9.00	-	-	9.00	-	-
229 Flex	3.00	-	-	-	-	-	14,159.00	-	-	6,406.00	-	-
281 Endow	194,143.00	253,498.00	229,805.00	268,354.00	75,000.00	227,027.00	302,353.00	107,121.00	107,121.00	238,682.00	11,763.00	11,763.00
TOTAL	492,285.00	592,289.00	502,721.00	493,536.00	179,277.00	335,316.00	798,251.00	210,850.00	210,850.00	287,997.00	11,763.00	11,763.00
	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
201 General		199,165.00	211,434.00	229,898.00			144,732.00	104,828.00	46,125.00	-	-	
110 Transport		85,714.00	102,969.00	75,842.00	40,326.00	13,227.00	149,850.00	134,304.00	108,016.00	16,174.00	56,425.00	6,637.00
114 Retirement		123,934.00	111,475.00	86,292.00	60,820.00	50,709.00	178,132.00	172,017.00	147,940.00	-	99,886.00	2,298.00
117 Adult Ed		5,453.00	3,932.00	2,653.00	996.00	349.00	6,422.00	5,968.00	5,476.00	-	4,781.00	
121 Comp Abs		3,897.00	3,897.00	3,897.00	3,897.00	3,897.00	3,961.00	3,977.00	3,988.00	-	2,156.00	
126 Impact Aid							4,573.00	-	-	-	8,223.00	
128 Technology		11.00	1,253.00	1,253.00			10.00	10.00	10.00	-	10.00	
129 Flex							-	-	-	-	-	
201 General		128,569.00	125,075.00	60,931.00			99,554.00	100,530.00	35,774.00	-	-	
210 Transport		38,079.00	47,257.00	29,950.00	9,617.00	-	85,300.00	75,429.00	58,957.00	41,933.00	25,357.00	5,044.00
212 Hot Lunch		2,602.00				4,023.00	9,152.00	11,204.00	16,351.00	20,129.00	27,744.00	
214 Retirement		95,888.00	90,900.00	77,260.00	70,017.00	54,318.00	131,782.00	127,981.00	105,836.00	90,063.00	78,053.00	1,756.00
217 Adult Ed		5,509.00	13,801.00	12,518.00	1,034.00	378.00	3,589.00	6,297.00	5,796.00	6,282.00	5,093.00	
218 Drivers Ed		1,475.00	1,475.00	5,300.00	5,300.00	5,300.00	4,719.00	4,060.00	2,953.00	2,623.00	2,528.00	
221 Comp Abs		3,785.00	3,782.00	3,782.00	3,793.00	3,793.00	3,572.00	3,572.00	3,582.00	3,582.00	3,609.00	
226 Impact Aid							-	-	-	-	-	
228 Technology		12.00	886.00				4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	
229 Flex		3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	41,990.00	31,814.00	6,213.00	4,150.00	-	
281 Endow		232,905.00	56,528.00	100,304.00	40,358.00	35,358.00	201,839.00	114,425.00	62,526.00	45,957.00	29,354.00	3,571.00
TOTAL	-	927,001.00	774,667.00	689,883.00	236,161.00	171,355.00	1,069,181.00	896,420.00	609,547.00	230,897.00	343,223.00	19,306.00

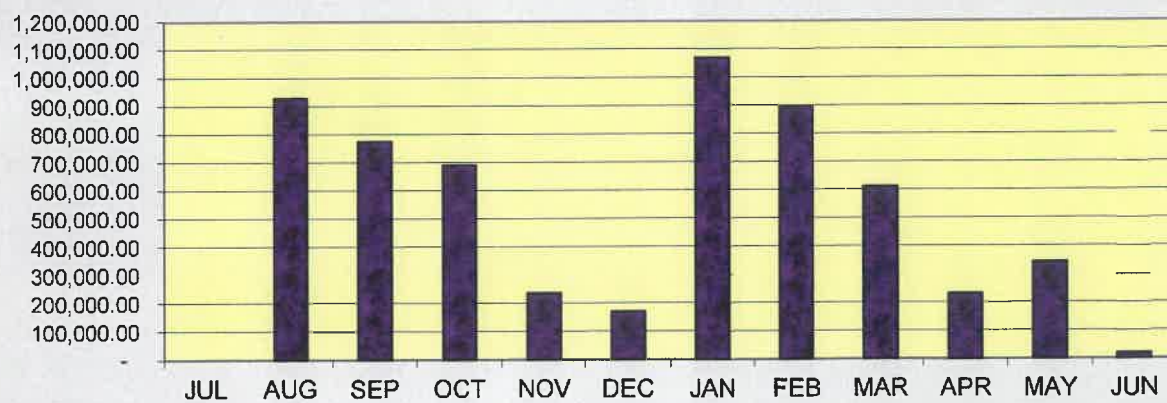
2026-27 INVESTMENTS



2025-26 INVESTMENTS



2024-25 INVESTMENTS



Culbertson Public School

Totals Report for August 2026
2026-2027

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Checking
Savings
Investments

Account	Beginning +	Receipts -	Expenditures +	Transfers =	Ending
1 - ANNUAL	1,787.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,787.43
2 - ATHLETICS	942.16	14,332.25	4,604.36	0.00	10,670.05
3 - SOPHOMORE CLASS 2029	7,044.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,044.26
4 - 7TH GRADE CLASS 2032	1,770.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,770.25
5 - 6TH GRADE CLASS 2033	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6 - GRADUATED SENIOR CLASS 2026	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7 - JUNIOR CLASS 2028	3,968.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,968.77
8 - CHEERLEADER	1,222.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,222.76
9 - FFA	11,947.54	977.14	1,567.56	0.00	11,357.12
10 - BAND/CHOIR	3,043.44	2,501.00	1,184.74	0.00	4,359.70
11 - STUDENT COUNCIL	5,329.18	24.84	114.60	0.00	5,239.42
12 - SPEECH AND DRAMA	1,283.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,283.14
13 - VO-AG REVOLVING	1,895.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,895.49
14 - SENIOR CLASS 2027	7,789.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,789.64
15 - PLAY	2,433.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,433.93
16 - Golf	614.46	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,614.46
17 - BPA	50.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.54
18 - EXPLORE AMERICA	31,350.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	31,350.31
19 - MUSIC PARENTS	2,680.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,680.02
20 - ART	2,933.68	58.00	0.00	0.00	2,991.68
21 - LIBRARY	1,361.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,361.76
22 - 8TH GRADE CLASS 2031	875.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	875.83
23 - FRESHMAN GRADE CLASS 2030	3,282.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,282.71
24 - SCIENCE OLYMPIAD	5,000.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.66
25 - MUSIC FESTIVAL ACCOUNT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
-----	98,607.96 +	20,893.23 -	7,471.26 +	0.00 =	112,029.93



Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

Monday-Thursday

- You may choose to have your students during advisory during this week to work on skits/games/floats.

Thursday-

HS Band students should go to lunch at the beginning of advisory. They will not be checking in. At the end of JH lunch all band students should report to the band room. JH Band students will not be checking into advisory.

Pep Rally- 5th Period (as of right now)- 12:55-1:40

- Make sure your skits are ready to be presented.
- 12:55 be in the gym and ready for the pep rally
- Pep Band
- School Song
- Welcome!
- Homecoming Royalty Announced
- Freshmen Skit (needs to be approved by Mr. Olson)
- XC Team (Musical Cheer)
- Sophomore Skit (needs to be approved by Mr. Olson)
- Volleyball Team (Musical Cheer)
- Junior Skit (needs to be approved by Mr. Olson)
- Football (Drumline/Musical Cheer)
- Senior Skit (needs to be approved by Mr. Olson)
- School Song
- Get ready for the parade

Bonfire- After Volleyball Games- 10pm

As long as we are allowed, the bonfire will be held following the volleyball games. If we cannot have a bonfire, we will have a cornhole and social on the lawn where the students have been having the cornhole tournament. Tentatively we will be done no later than 10pm.

Friday

8:30 a.m.- Attendance

- Go to first period for roll and lunch count

8:40 a.m.- Grand March

- Grand March: 6-12 grades will be seated in the gymnasium. The President of each class will wait outside of the gym with their poster (22" x 28"). Starting with 6th grade each class will walk down the out of bounds line (closest to the bleachers) and then turn left to mid court and walk back to line up at the center facing towards the crowd so that everyone can see their hat. Posters will then be collected for judging.

8:45 a.m.- Homecoming Games

- Student council will meet at half court to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Calvin Lippert

Katie Beckwith

Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

- Class games: Each class 6-12 will instruct students on how to play their game. These should be short games (5-10 minutes). A good resource for trying to figure out a game if you are stuck are minute to win it games. Classes are responsible for being prepared with all the materials needed to play their game. Please have your players chosen ahead of time. We will start with junior high classes and work our way up to seniors. **Each game should be able to have a winner.** The winner of each game will be awarded 50 points. Please let me know what game your class has chosen.
- *Dodgeball:
 - Teams of 8, once you are hit you are out
 - Shots to the head or groin is an automatic out to the person who threw the ball.
 - Stepping or reaching across the center court line is an automatic out.
 - Arguing with a judge is an automatic out
 - Game 1: Juniors vs Seniors
 - Judges: Mr.Apple, Ms. Corpron
 - Game 2: Sophomores vs Freshmen
 - Judges: Mrs. Standley, Mrs. Forbregd
 - Game 3: Losers of Game 1 and 2
 - Judges: Mrs. Manning, Mr. Nielsen
 - Championship (winner gets 50 points, loser gets 25 points)
 - Judges: Ms. Taberna, Mr. Solem
- *Short Break (StuCo and VB girls set up net)
- *Volleyball:
 - 6 boys, 2 female coaches
 - Best 2 of 3 to 15 points, must win by two
 - Third game will go to ten
 - 1 time out per set
 - If you argue with a line judge, 2 point deduction
 - Referees: Mrs. Mogga, Mrs. Nielsen
 - Game 1: Seniors vs Freshmen
 - Line Judges: Mrs. Standley, Mrs. Manning
 - Game 2: Juniors vs Sophomores
 - Line Judges: Ms. Panasuk, Mrs. Morris
 - Game 3: Loser of Game 1 vs Loser of Game 2
 - Line Judges: Ms. Corpron, Mr. Apple
 - Game 4: Winner of Game 1 vs Winner of Game 2 (winner gets 50 points, loser gets 25 points)
 - Line Judges: Mrs. Olson, Mr. Nielsen
 - Take down nets

*Junior high will do their own thing at this time

If students need to leave the gym: Must speak with Mrs. G before leaving and report back to them upon return. If you are not judging an event please help monitor the hallways and keep kids in the gym.

Should we finish in the gym before lunch:

Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

- Work on floats with class advisor. Floats should be on West Side of School.

12:25-12:55 p.m.- Lunch

12:55-1:45 Float preparations.

1:45- Band students report to band room, floats line up, royalty should meet their rides in the loop.

2:00 p.m.- Parade

- After the parade: Meet with your advisor to make sure that hallways and floats are cleaned.
- Royalty needs to give their sashes and crowns back to Mrs. Standley.
- School dismissed at 3 p.m.

Friday evening-

- Royalty needs to meet at the south end of the football field at halftime. I will have your sashes and crowns!

Saturday- Homecoming Dance

- **8-11 p.m.**
- **Old armory**
- **Attendees need to be signed up in the office by 9/18.**

Advisors: Your class is responsible for the supplies to build floats. DO NOT let your students freely enter the Ag Shop to grab what they want. If you need to borrow equipment from Mrs. Corpron, please send her a list of requested materials by Friday (9/18) of next week so that she can let you know what is available to use.

General Information

Admin should be contacting everyone about comp time for assisting with homecoming games, float building, and parade.

Junior High: Mrs. Wills, Mr. Pfeifer, Mrs. Berwick

They have the gym after lunch unless they have a float. Work together to figure out supervision of gym and outside.

9th Grade: Mrs. Morris

Float Helpers: Mrs. Taberna, Mrs. G

10th Grade: Mrs. Manning

Float Helpers: Ms. Panasuk, Mrs. Mogga

Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

11th Grade: Mrs. Nielsen

Float Helpers: Mr. Nielsen, Mr. Apple

12th Grade: Mrs. Forbredg

Float Helpers: Mrs. Olson, Mr. Solem

Hall Monitors: Mrs. Standley, Mr. Olson

Ag Shop: Mrs. Corpron

Theme: Classic Cartoons

Dress Up days:

Monday-	Saturday Morning Cartoons Pajama Day	Wear your favorite pajamas or comfy clothes.
Tuesday-	Twin Tuesday	Find a friend and matching outfits.
Wednesday-	Decade Day	Pick a time from the past to dress up as.
Thursday-	Theme Day	Dress up as your class theme, staff and elementary can dress as any classic cartoon.
Friday-	Purple and Gold	Show off your Culbertson spirit!

Haliways (300 points)- Rubric at bottom of page

Student Council has voted to decorate hallways again. Locations are chosen (see homecoming link) exact placement will be signified with Green tape. Some rules for decorating:

1. Classes may begin hanging things up on September 18 (Friday).
2. Decorations may not block cameras.
3. Students may not decorate hallways after 9pm.
4. No tape on the ceilings.
5. No decorations on painted drywall. (Bricks/wood are fine). This mostly affects the freshmen in the art hallway.
6. All decorating must be completed by 8am on Monday the 21st.
7. No Duct Tape

Floats (500 points)- Rubric at bottom of page

May be started no earlier than Saturday September 19th. HOWEVER, floats may not come to the school until Friday the 25th. Any work done prior to that may be done at someone's house/barn/garage etc with the expectation that the parent's/adults of that household know it is happening and are okay with students being there. Advisors are not expected to supervise any work done at someone's residence, though they may attend if they so wish. Students will have some time to work on floats on Friday the 25th after lunch.

If the advisor is not driving an adult needs to drive. When the Band gets to the end, Freshmen float should collect flags.

Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

Parade Order:

Horse people (not centaurs): Carrying Flags
Band
Elementary floats if there are any
Community floats if there are any
Freshmen Royalty
Freshmen Float
Sophomore Royalty
Sophomore Float
Junior Royalty
Junior Float
Senior Royalty
Senior Float
Firetruck with Homecoming King and Queen

Parade Route



Homecoming 2026: Classic Cartoons

Royalty

I need your class' royalty by September 18th. Each set of royalty needs to arrange for a vehicle to use in the parade.

Display Item- Posters (200 points)- Rubric at bottom of page

A poster for your theme should be created. They should be 22" x 28". They should be school appropriate, visible, and ready by Friday the 25th.

Skit (200 points)- Rubric at bottom of page

Each class needs to create a skit to be performed during the pep rally Thursday afternoon.

Class Games (50 points/game)- Rubric at bottom of page

Each class needs to prepare a game to play with representatives from each class. These games should take 5-10 minutes to complete. The winner (or winners in the event of a tie) of each game will receive 50 points.

Links:

Homecoming Document Link:  [Homecoming 2026- Classic Cartoons](#)

Rubrics:  [Homecoming Rubrics \(1\).pdf](#)

September 2026 Activities Report

Culbertson Board of Trustees,

Fall of activities have commenced. Participation numbers are listed below.

HS football: 19

HS Volleyball: 15

HS Cross Country: 18

Ele/JH Volleyball: 17

Ele/JH Football: 21

Ele/JH Cross Country: 11

Sincerely,

David Solem

Mr. Olson
Technology Report
School Board Meeting
September 17, 2026

I am hoping to order the new round of Chromebooks in October.

The school will be moving to a Google SSO and away from our current domain-based logins. This will continue throughout the year. We have already moved all student devices to Google SSO.

Schoolhouse IT will be here on September 23rd working on the server and computers. We will tackle any problems that come up.

I am still working on a bridge solution to the bus barn as the current one is not working properly.

Mr. Olson
 6-12 Principal Report
 School Board Meeting
 September 17, 2026

The back-to-school pool party was well attended. Students had a good time.

The HS students organized a lunchtime corn hole tournament. I believe they are getting close to the final matches.

Homecoming will be the week of Sept 21-26. Student council is doing a great job organizing and pushing out information for everyone. This year's theme is classic cartoons.

JH/HS student in the process of MAPS testing. Once those are complete, we will look at where interventions are needed.

6th grade will be attending the ECO Days at the Williams County NDSU Research Extension Center on Sept 16

As of 09-14-26

	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	Total
Aug	10	23	22	20	21	21	25	25	20	20	23	10	16	256
Sept	14	22	20	19	20	19	25	26	20	19	24	8	15	251
Oct														0
Nov														0
Dec														0
Jan														0
Feb														0
March														0
April														0
May														0

Enrolled	4	0	1	0	1	1	1	3	3	0	1	0	0	15
Transferred	0	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	1	2	1	2	0	14
Total In/Out	4	1	2	1	3	3	1	4	4	2	2	2	0	29

Ended the 2025-2026 year with 263

114 Elem
 71 JH
 66 HS

September 2026 Elementary Board Report

-Elementary and JH MAPS testing completed. High School should be finished up this week. This information is used to track student progress. Students who test low two testing periods in a row are put into the referral process for Title 1.

- Title 1 schedule has been set for student interventions. Students are monitored every two weeks to check for progress.

- Our new paraprofessionals are being trained for the various duties they have to cover. Duties include educational interventions, lunchroom coverage, recess duty, and classroom coverage in case they need to be the substitute.

- Child Find will be in Culbertson Wednesday from 1-3, longer if needed. Child Find is for children ages 0-5. They are screened for hearing, speech, and age appropriate milestones. This will be held in the upstairs gym.

- Friday storytime has returned for our K-2 students. Come hear a fun story at 2:30 every Friday!

- I will be out of the building Sept. 25-Oct. 2.

Culbertson School Board Meeting

Superintendent's Report

September 17, 2026

Staff shoutouts this month go to the following:

***Mr. Solem, Mr. Olson, Andy, Football Coaches, and Football teams**—Huge shoutout of thanks to this crew for painting the lines on the football field and setting up the fence for the season! Many hands truly make the work easier and we appreciate their help to get the football field ready for the season!

A. Events that I plan to attend for September & October:

September 1	VB vs. Brockton
September 2	NEMASS @ Glasgow
September 3	VB @ Grenora
September 4	VB vs. Fairview
September 8	VB @ Fairview
September 10	VB @ Medicine Lake
September 11	FB @ Forsyth
September 12	VB @ Scobey Tourney
September 15	VB @ Lustre
September 17	Regular September Meeting of Culbertson Trustees
September 18	JH FB @ Poplar & HS VB vs. Savage
September 19	VB @ Richey
September 21-26	2026 Homecoming Week!
September 24	VB vs. Bainville
September 25	FB vs. Circle
September 27-29	Fall MASS Conference @ Bozeman
September 29	VB vs. Lustre
October 1	VB @ Savage
October 2	FB vs. Plentywood
October 3	VB @ Ekalaka
October 6	VB @ Bainville
October 7	NEMASS @ Wolf Point
October 8	Parent Teacher Conferences 3-6pm
October 12	JH BB vs. R&L 4:30
October 13	HS VB vs. Froid/Lake
October 14	MASDA 2026 @ Billings
October 15-16	MCEL @ Billings (TBD)
October 19 or 21	Regular October Meeting of the Culbertson Trustees
October 20	JH BB vs. Fairview
October 22	JH BB vs. Circle & HS VB @ Brockton
October 23	HS VB vs. Mondak
October 26	Kee Concept Parent Night
October 27	JH BB vs. Mondak
October 29-31	District VB Tournament in Culbertson
October 31	JH BB @ Circle

B. Other updates and items for your review:

1. Bus #2—Our mid-size bus went to I-State in Williston on Tuesday, September 1st. They fixed multiple issues at the front with the axel and tires. Then it was sent to Dakota Diesel so the engine can get some necessary TLC. We are incredibly fortunate to be in a window of time where we can function with the other 2 busses to cover our needs. I hope to have an update from Dakota Diesel for you at the board meeting Thursday night.
2. German—We were not able to get 3 students together for taking HS German this year.
3. SHARE Consortium—No financial updates yet, but the wheels are still turning for the formation of this consortium thanks to Connie at Sheridan Electric! Lora is willing to be the clerk for the SHARE consortium, which saves us \$1,000 in membership fees. Later on the agenda I am asking for your approval to be the fiscal host for the consortium.
4. Extra-Curricular Openings—We are currently still looking for elementary GBB assistant for Holly Nickoloff and an elementary BBB assistant for Shawn Larsen.
5. Accreditation—This school year we will be undergoing the entire accreditation process. Last year was a freeze year for schools that were not on an improvement plan and prior to that we took the new process in one phase each year. This will be a process that continues through the end of February, when our final submission is due to OPI.
6. Kee Concepts—This will be our final year of the mental health grant which allows us to continue working with Kee Dunning and Stacy Steflug on the Kee Concepts. This year's focus will be to continue to support staff and focus on launching the concepts to students and parents. We have a parent night scheduled for Kee and Stacy to come present the concepts to parents on Monday night, October 26th at 5:30pm.
7. Grants!—Congratulations to Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Iverson on receiving the Empowered Grant again! This is money they can use in their classrooms.
8. MCEL—If you are interested in attending the MCEL conference in Billings hosted by MTSBA, the district will cover you expenses to attend. I can help get you registered for the conference. The dates are October 15th and 16th. There is still no concrete schedule of workshops out, but they have listed the keynote speaker. Let me know if you are interested.
9. ACLU Notice—OPI was taken to court regarding Indian Education for All back when Elsie Artzen was the MT State Superintendent of Schools. This lawsuit was recently settled and as a result every school in Montana was require to send out the notice to parents/guardians about this lawsuit. If you have any further questions, I can direct you to the appropriate person at the ACLU.
10. Here are a few items that will be part of the next regular Board meeting agenda:
 - 2026-2027 Board Goals

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns about any item in this report or on the agenda, please feel free to contact me at any time. I can be reached at 787-6246 (school), 787-5211 (home), 404-774-4088 (cell), or by email at simonseenna@cullbertson.k12.mt.us at any time. I believe in an open door, so please feel free to drop in my office anytime to visit.

**CULBERTSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICTS 17 J/R/C
BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 15

AGENDA TITLE: Extra-Curricular Contract

SUMMARY: Mr. Solem and I recommend the following for an extra-curricular contract:

JH BBB Assistant: Jameson Schmidt

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 16

AGENDA TITLE: Request for Speech & Drama Co-op

SUMMARY: Please see the attached request from Alyssa Stromberg for a speech and drama co-op.

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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2026–2027 Speech & Drama Cooperative Agreement

The Froid and Medicine Lake Schools are requesting to once again co-op Speech & Drama with the Culbertson School for the 2026–2027 season.

After reviewing the 2025–2026 cooperative season, all participating coaches agreed that the arrangement was successful and were pleased with the overall outcome.

Based on that success, Froid and Medicine Lake Schools would like to continue the cooperative partnership with Culbertson School for the upcoming season, providing students from our schools with the opportunity to participate in Speech & Drama.

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 17

AGENDA TITLE: Additions to the Guest Teacher List for 2026-2027

SUMMARY: The following applicants are being recommended as additions to the 2026-2027 guest teacher list pending background checks:

Cassie Williams
Whitney Smith
Bailey Finnicum
Jackie Olson

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 18

AGENDA TITLE: Route #1 Adjustment

SUMMARY: Bergum's bus stop has been added back to our Route #1 map since they are hosting our exchange student. This adds 6 miles a day to Route #1, making the total miles now 87.8 per day. We need formal board approval to adjust these miles to the correct amount.

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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Arne bus route

message

Lora Finnicum <finnicuml@culbertson.k12.mt.us>
o: Nicole Simonsen <simonsenn@culbertson.k12.mt.us>

Fri, Sep 4, 2026 at 8:38 AM

Arne stopped in and said his route increased by 6 miles/day with the addition of the exchange student at Bergum's starting 9/1/26.

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Lora Finnicum

Culbertson School, District Clerk
RooseValley Sped Coop, Clerk
423 1st Ave West, PO Box 459
Culbertson, MT 59218
406/787-6245

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**Culbertson Public Schools
Bus Routes
2026-2027**

Route 1	Route 2	Route 3
<i>Iverson</i>	<i>L. Hekkel/ C. Hekkel</i>	
<i>87.8 miles/day--increase of 10.6+6</i>	<i>167.1 miles/day</i>	
<i>406-787-7050</i>	<i>406-480-0179</i>	
Paula (@ Bergums)	Cord Snyder	
Ty & Weston	Blake & Emma Sorenson	
Shianne, David Byrd, Emma Berwick	Noah Allen	
Chayton Bowland	Arlie Purvis	
Tyler & Addison WhiteCloud	Ark & Lok Kierstead	
Ell Turning Heart	Payton Labatte	
Sebastian Lester	Leddy & Ella Anderson	
Mikkel Buck Elk	Bella, Nash, Luella, Norma, Flo, and Edith	
3 Froleich children	Brooks & Benson Bridges	
Shilo, Nova, Mia, Eva, Emerson	Emlynn & Kryal Powell	
Ava Poser	Asher & Declan Nicholson	
Huck & Harper Anderson	Aurora Bamhart	
	Kehlani Tonasket	

Route 4	Route 5	
<i>Finnicum-South-Larsen</i>	<i>Finnicum-West</i>	Thomas Clark
<i>164 miles/day--increase of 14</i>	<i>180 miles/day--increase of 6</i>	Aiden Chopper
<i>701-570-7836</i>	<i>406-787-7213</i>	Jaidyn Coughlin
Henry Stepler	Felixe, Beau & Oliver Becker	Travis & Shante Bets His Medicine
Cici Burciaga	Brice Bidegaray	
Paxton & Hadley Miller	Jaxon, CeJaye and Kashyn Flinn	Keagan Buck Elk
Rylie Panasuk	Halven Burshia	Logan Buck Elk
Wyatt & Noah Martin	Gage Yellow Owl	Jeremy Chopper
Cal, Anna & Parker Stepler	David Boyd	Jayceon Granbois ????
Easton, Harlee, Kolt Stepler	Akeela Matuck	Colby Granbois
Wesley & Baylee Munoz	MaKaeya Daniels	Collin Bighorn
Little Loya kindergartener	Penelope and Lennox Crowe	Dylan Douglas
Trig & Cedar Vaira	Baylour Hagadone	Shyla Douglas
Serenity Rogalla & Emma Reynolds	Heston Hagadone	Torii Demarias
Jonathan & Jacylne Taberna	Brycen Healy	Darren Black Dog
	Roman Emerson	Franiel Bighorn
	Jessa Bighorn	Viserion Red Eagle
Chance & Taylor Ameson		Mishone St. Germaine
		Neyanna St. Germaine

Route 6
<i>C. Hekkel/ VandenBos</i>
<i>54 Miles/day</i>
<i>406-787-7288</i>
Boone & Wiley VandenBos
Jaxon & Christopher West
Hunter, Aubrey, Riley, and Gabby Lee

[illegible]

Cullbertson Public Schools
Bus Route #1 - Iverson

**CULBERTSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 19

AGENDA TITLE: Creation of SHARE Account

SUMMARY: We have been asked to be the fiscal host for the SHARE Consortium. Lora is willing to be the clerk for the consortium, which will save our district \$1,000 in membership fees. This action requires board approval.

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 20

AGENDA TITLE: Indemnity Bonds

SUMMARY: Board approval is needed in order to re-issue the following checks:

Payroll 4182 \$84.20 Issued 5/5/26
Payroll 4379 \$651.29 Issued 7/17/26
Payroll 4383 \$157.81 Issued 7/24/26
Claims 14443 \$3,618.00 Issued 7/10/26
Claims 14462 \$490.00 Issued on 7/21/26
Claims 14433 \$250.00 Issued on 6/22/26

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 21

AGENDA TITLE: 2026-2027 Board Goals

SUMMARY: The board reviews their goals annually to ensure they are in line with our integrated strategic action plan, policy, and graduate profile. The 2025-2026 goals are listed here:

- Monitor Culture/Climate in the School
- PreK in the Building
- Gifted/Talented
- Facility Improvements
- Continued Communications

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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BOARD AGENDA FACT SHEET**

MEETING DATE: 9-17-2026

AGENDA ITEM #: 22

AGENDA TITLE: 1st Reading Policy

SUMMARY: The following policy updates are recommended by MTSBA to bring our Impact Aid policies up to date. This is the first reading. They will then be posted for a comment period and reviewed at IEC on September 23rd before coming in front of the board for a second reading/final adoption at the October board meeting.

7231 & 7231-P(1): Federal Impact Funds

BOARD ACTION

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Petersen					
Newbill					
L. Steppler					
Fox					
V. Steppler					

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Policy 7231: Federal Impact Funds

Status: DRAFT

Original Adopted Date: 03/20/1984

It is the intent of the District that all American Indian children of school age have equal access to all programs, services, and activities offered in the District.

It is also the intent of the District to fully comply with the requirements of Title VII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and regulations relating thereto. To that end, the District shall:

1. Provide tribal officials and parents of Indian children with relevant applications, evaluations, program plans and information related to the District's education program and activities sufficient advance notice for an opportunity to comment on the participation of Indian children on an equal basis in all programs and activities offered by the District;
2. Annually assess the extent to which Indian students are participating on an equal basis in the educational programs and activities of the District;
3. If and when necessary, modify its educational programs to ensure that Indian children participate on an equal basis with non-Indian children served by the District;
4. 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 IPP's.
5. Provide an opportunity for tribes 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 how the District may help those children realize their benefits of the District's education programs and activities.
6. Provide a copy of the IPP's annually to the affected tribe or tribes.

Assessments

Tribal officials and parents of Indian children are encouraged to assess the effectiveness of their input regarding the participation of Indian children in the District's educational programs and activities and the development and implementation of the District's Indian policies and procedures and share the results of such assessment with the District.

Procedure 7231-P(1): Federal Impact Funds

Status: DRAFT

The Board adopts the following procedures as required by Title VII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA):

1. The Superintendent and/or his/her designee will disseminate information and 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, Johnson O'Malley programming.

The completed applications, evaluations, and program planning will be made available to parents of Indian children, Tribal officials, and the Indian Education Committee to afford all interested parties the opportunity to review the documents with sufficient time to provide thoughtful input at the meetings. These meetings will be publicly advertised to allow all interested parties to attend.

Parents of Indian children, tribal officials, the Indian Education Committee and any other interested person 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.

Minutes from the Indian Education meetings will be posted on the District's website for all patrons and Tribal officials to review. This will allow for ongoing dissemination of information.

2. The Culbertson School District will take the following measures to 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.
 - A. The District will monitor Indian student participation in all academic and co-curricular activities.
 - B. School district officials will review school data to assess the extent of Indian children's participation in the District's education programs on an equal basis.
 - C. The District will share its assessment of district funding, Indian student participation, related academic achievements and other related data will be shared with the parents of Indian children and tribal officials.
 - D. Parents of Indian children, tribal officials and other interested parties may express their views on participation through direct communication with the school district, at any school board meeting or to the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee).
 - E. Copies of annual reports will be provided to tribal officials upon request.
3. During the organization meeting of the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee), the Indian Policies and Procedures (Policies 7231-7231P) will be reviewed and revised if necessary. Once this has happened, the document will be forwarded to the School Board as well as the tribal officials and parents of Indian children for review and consideration. If necessary, the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee) may suggest revisions at other times of the year as appropriate. Any updates will be sent to the Indian Education Committee.
4. The 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 IPP's by the District.
5. The Indian Education Committee (parent Advisory Committee) of the District will meet monthly or minimally quarterly for the purpose of addressing comments and concerns of parents of Indian children regarding the District's educational programs and activities. The meeting agendas are posted and all meetings are open to the public allowing for tribal officials as well as parents of Indian children the opportunity to submit comments and recommendations for consideration.

A school board representative is a non-voting member of the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee). This representation allows for the discussion of the needs of the students and ideas to be brought forward to both the Indian Education Committee (Parent Advisory Committee) as well as the School Board.

At any board meeting, members of the Indian community will be afforded the opportunity to provide comments and suggestions regarding programming for Indian students during public comment.

6. The District will annually provide a current copy of Policies 7231 and 72131P to the Fort Peck tribe by mail and/or email upon request.
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