

Indian Policies and Procedures
Bristol Bay Borough School District
2022-2023 School Year

It is the intent of the Bristol Bay Borough 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 Bristol Bay Borough School District, in its capacity as a local educational agency (LEA) will consult with local tribes 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, and revisions will be made within 90 days of the determination that requirements are not being adequately met.

ATTESTATIONS

The Bristol Bay Borough School District attests that it has established Indian Policies and Procedures (IPPs) as required in section 7004 of the Impact Aid law for any children claimed who reside on eligible Indian lands. The IPPs have been adequately disseminated to local tribes and parents of children residing on eligible Indian lands. A copy of the current policies and procedures was attached to the FY 2022 Impact Aid application.

The Bristol Bay Borough School District attests that it has provided a copy of written responses to comments, concerns and recommendations received from tribal leaders and parents of Indian children through the Indian policies and procedures consultation process and disseminated these responses to tribal representatives and parents of Indian children prior to the submission of their FY 2022 Impact Aid application.

Indian Policies and Procedures

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

Policy 1: The LEA will disseminate relevant applications, evaluations, program plans and information related to the LEA's education program and activities with sufficient advance notice to allow tribes and parents of Indian children the opportunity to review and make recommendations. [34CFR222.94(a)(1)]

Procedure 1:

1.1 A District designee will disseminate, as soon as reasonably possible after such information becomes available, but not later than one week in advance of any applicable meeting, by email and/or mail to local tribes as well as via the Parent Advisory Committee a copy of the following documents:

- Impact Aid FY 2022 application;
- Evaluation of all educational programs;

- Indian Policies Procedures (IPPs);
- Assessment of the extent of equal participation among Indian and non-Indian children;
- Plans for education programs the district intends to initiate or eliminate.

1.2 Parents of Indian children, local tribes, and the public will be given notice of any and all applicable meetings related to the above documents (including IPPs) at least one week in advance by posting publicly to the district website and relevant social media pages, distributing information at site meetings of the Parent Advisory Council, emailing and mailing local tribes, as well as posting locally at District buildings. This will allow parents of Indian children and tribes the time to review and provide comments on all documents and information received.

POLICY 2: The Bristol Bay Borough School District will provide an opportunity for local tribes and parents of Indian children to provide their views on the District's educational programs and activities, including recommendations on the needs of their children and how the District may help those children realize the benefits of the educational programs and activities. [34CFR222.94(a)(2)] As a part of this requirement, the LEA will

- (i) notify local tribes and the parents of Indian children of the opportunity to submit comments and recommendations, considering the local tribes' preference for method of communication, and
- (ii) modify the method of and time for soliciting Indian views, if necessary, to ensure the maximum participation of tribes and parents of Indian children.

Procedure 2:

2.1 The LEA will make the following opportunities available for parents of Indian children and local tribes to provide input on the educational program and activities:

- A fall survey as part of annual student enrollment/reenrollment.
- Invitations to regular meetings of the Parent Advisory Committee.
- An annual meeting of the Bristol Bay School Board in the spring to review commentary and consider revisions.

2.2 Indian parents and local tribes will be given notice of any and all applicable meetings by email and/or mail to the offices and/or representatives of local tribes as well as via Parent Advisory Committee meetings.

2.3 The Naknek Village Council prefers all communication with the tribe and the parents of Indian children be disseminated via hardcopy mail to its offices and email to its chosen representative(s).

The South Naknek Village Council prefers all communication with the tribe and the parents of Indian children be disseminated via hardcopy mail to its offices and email to its chosen representative(s).

The King Salmon Tribal Council prefers all communication with the tribe and the parents of Indian children be disseminated via hardcopy mail to its offices and email to its chosen representative(s).

Once the preferred method of communication has been decided, the tribe and parents of Indian children communication method will be used throughout the consultation process. Any changes to the method will happen through additional consultation with tribes and parents. The LEA will, to the greatest extent possible, take the tribe's preferred method of communication into consideration for all correspondence with the tribe and the parents of Indian children.

2.4 If the consultation participation by parents of Indian children and tribes is considered low by the LEA's School Board or its representatives, the Bristol Bay Borough School District will re-evaluate its consultation process. Specifically, the Bristol Bay Borough School District will take the following measures to improve or enhance participation:

- Consult with parents of Indian children and tribes
- Change communication method
- Change time or location of meetings

POLICY (3): The Bristol Bay Borough School District will, at least 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)] As part of this requirement, the LEA will:

- (i) share relevant information related to Indian children's participation in the LEA's education program and activities with tribes and parents of Indian children; and
- (ii) allow tribes and parents of Indian children the opportunity and time to review and comment on whether Indian children participate on an equal basis with non-Indian children.

Procedure 3:

3.1 Bristol Bay School District officials will review school data to assess the extent of Indian children's participation in the District's educational programs on an equal basis.

3.2 The Bristol Bay School District will monitor Indian student participation in all academic and co-curricular activities.

3.3 The Bristol Bay Borough School District will share its assessment of District funding, Indian student participation, related academic achievements, and other related data with the parents of Indian children and local tribes by email and/or mail to tribal offices and/or chosen representatives as well as via dissemination by the Parent Advisory Committee.

3.4 Parents of Indian children and local tribes, as well as other interested parties, may express their views on participation through direct communication with Bristol Bay Borough School District officials on an ongoing basis, at any regularly-scheduled monthly meetings of the Bristol Bay Borough School Board, or as part of the Parent Advisory Committee meetings.

3.5 Relevant materials and notices of meetings will be shared at least one week before applicable meetings. Feedback to input will be shared in a timely fashion, but no later than one week preceding the next scheduled meeting.

POLICY (4): The Bristol Bay Borough 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)]

Procedure 4:

4.1 The Bristol Bay Borough School Board will hold an annual meeting to discuss the content of the IPPs, equal participation, and educational programs and activities. Parents of Indian children and tribes will be notified via mail, email and/or the Parent Advisory Committee regarding these meetings and their ability to submit comment.

4.2 The Bristol Bay Borough School Board and/or the Parent Advisory Committee will evaluate all recommendations for changes to these IPPs.

4.3 The Bristol Bay Borough School Board and/or the Parent Advisory Committee will decide on all recommended revisions to these IPPs.

4.4 Any changes by the Bristol Bay Borough School Board will become effective immediately upon adoption by the Board, unless otherwise specified during the adoption process.

4.5 The Bristol Bay Borough School District will disseminate copies of the revised IPPs to the local tribes and parents of Indian children via mail, email, and/or the Parent Advisory Committee within 30 days of adoption by the Bristol Bay Borough School Board, unless otherwise specified during the adoption process.

POLICY (5): The Bristol Bay Borough 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)]

Procedure 5:

5.1 The Bristol Bay Borough School District will review all comments and suggestions received via surveys, Parent Advisory Committee meetings, Bristol Bay Borough School Board meetings, and/or ongoing communications and respond to input from local tribes and parents of Indian children annually during a scheduled Bristol Bay Borough School Board meeting in the spring, evaluating input and considering changes regarding IPPs, educational programs, and/or equal participation assessments.

5.2 The Bristol Bay Borough School District will at least annually respond in writing to comments and recommendations made by local tribes, parents of Indian children, and the Parent Advisory Committee and disseminate the responses to all parties by email and/or mail to local tribes and/or their representatives prior to the submission of the IPPs by the District.

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

Procedure 6:

6.1 The Bristol Bay Borough School District will annually provide a copy of the current Indian Policies and Procedures to local tribes by email and hardcopy mail prior to submitting the Impact Aid Application.

Board Approval Date

Date