

# Southwest Region School District



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## Consultation with Tribal Organizations

### Introduction

Southwest Region School District (SWRSD) is working on increasing collaboration with tribal organizations in order to better serve children in our communities. Communication is a key component to having more collaborative opportunities between SWRSD and tribal officials. In addition, SWRSD recognizes the importance of making evaluations of programs, applications, program descriptions, and plans for improvement readily available.

In this packet is information about district-wide programs, performance reports, and policy and procedures. There is also school level information for the school in your village. It is the hope of the district that this information will serve as a starting point to increased communication to better serve the children in our communities. There is a brief summary of each document, as well as, the various options and forums for which Tribal Council Organizations can provide comment, feedback, and/or ask questions. Many of the documents can be accessed at [www.swrsd.org](http://www.swrsd.org). Simply click on the Parent Information tab.

SWRSD is seeking your feedback on a number of topics including:

- educational programs including curriculum; and
- equal participation of Alaska Native students in educational and co-curricular programs;and

- modifications, if any, on the Indian Policy & Procedures outlined in School Board Policy;and
- use of state and federal funding

There are a variety of opportunities for Tribal officials to provide comments or ask questions including but not limited to the following:

- Public comment section of SWRSD School Board meetings
- Public comment section at local CSC meetings
- Complete questionnaire's or feedback forms
- Participate in the Parent Advisory Committee
- Contact your local principal
- Provide comment by email at [feedback@swrsd.org](mailto:feedback@swrsd.org)

We look forward to hearing your ideas and suggestions as we work together to provide a positive educational experience for all students.



### **Indian Policy & Procedures (enclosed)**

The Southwest Region School District has adopted an updated version of the Indian Policy & Procedures under board policy 6174.1. The intent of these policies is to provide Tribal Council Organizations and parents of Alaska Native/Indian children the opportunity to provide feedback on the items outlined in the “Introduction” section. SWRSD encourages the Tribal Council to review the procedures and provide feedback and/or ask questions. SWRSD wants to build a stronger partnership with Tribal Council Organizations through increased communication and transparency.

### **Impact Aid Application Summary (enclosed)**

SWRSD applies for Impact Aid funding that provide general support to the educational programs throughout the district. This packet includes a summary of the impact aid application.

### **Title IA Schoolwide Plans (website)**

Each of our schools create a Schoolwide plan that is continuously reviewed and revised. The purpose of the plan is to develop a needs assessment, then create goals and plans to address specific areas of need within the school. The Schoolwide Plan is included in this packet for your review.

### **Report to the Public (website)**

In this packet is the district-wide and the local school report to the public, often referred to as district and school report card. The reports provide a snapshot into district-wide and local school student and teacher data. Federal & State Grant Synopsis

### **Federal & State Grant Synopsis (website)**

There are a number of grants and state programs that help develop and implement the educational programs in all of our schools. Southwest Region School District feels it is important that you know the purpose of these grants and programs. So as part

of this packet, a summary of each grant including the purpose, additional information, and budget overview has been provided.

### **Educational Program Overview (website)**

This packet also includes a document that provides and overview of the district curricula and educational programs. Each Tribal Council was invited to attend a CSC meeting that included an overview of the educational programs in SWRSD and at the local school level. This packet include a SWRSD curriculum guide overview.

### **Indian Education Annual Performance Report (website)**

SWRSD received funding from Indian Education (Title VI of ESSA) program. This funding is used to support the implementation of the Yup’ik Studies program throughout the district. This report shows the results of the most recent state assessment and graduation rates of students throughout the district.

### **Title IC Migrant Education Evaluation (website)**

Included is a summary of the services provided by the migrant education program. The summary also includes an evaluation of the program based on the goals and objectives of the program.

