



SD Indian Education Advisory Council



2022 Annual Report

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INTRODUCTION

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council (SD IEAC) is hereby sharing the following recommendations to all stakeholders involved in the education of Native American students in South Dakota. The SD IEAC membership consists of Indian Education experts from across the state and region who are recommended by their schools, organizations, tribes, and communities. Council members work collectively to close the educational opportunity gap and increase academic achievement for all Native American students in South Dakota. The Office of Indian Education and the Department of Tribal Relations will continue to work in collaboration with the Department of Education and the Region 11 Comprehensive Center to support the efforts of the SD IEAC.

South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council Membership

Dayna Brave Eagle	Tribal Designee	Oglala Sioux Tribe
Dr. Cherie Farlee	Tribal Designee	Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
Dr. Sherry Johnson	Tribal Designee	Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
Emma Jean Blue Earth	Tribal Designee	Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
Cindy Young	Tribal Designee	Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Dr. Katherine Erdman-Becker	Tribal Designee	Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe
Brian Wagner	Tribal Designee	Lower Brule Tribe
Darrel George Howe	Tribal Designee	Crow Creek Sioux Tribe

Jolene Arrow	Tribal Designee	Yankton Sioux Tribe
Cheryl Medearis	Tribal College and Universities Representative	Sinte Gleska University
Dr. Ann Robertson	Public School District Representative	Whittier Middle School
Lisa Bordeaux-Taken Alive	Public School District Representative	McLaughlin High School
Josie Green	Member at Large	Teach for America - South Dakota
Sarah White	Member at Large	South Dakota Education Equity Coalition
Karyl Knudson	At Large	Wakpala Elementary
Everall Fox	Bureau Operated School Representative	Flandreau Indian School
Jacqueline Sly	Member at Large	
Megan Deal	Public School District Representative	Pierre School District
Charles Cuny	Tribal Grant School Representative	Little Wound School
Kay Schallenkamp	Member at Large	
Janice Minder	System Vice President for Academic Policy and Planning	SD Board of Regents
Loren Paul	President	South Dakota Education Association
Angel Lee	Public School District Representative	Rapid City Area Schools
David Flute	Ex-officio Member	Department of Tribal Relations
Tiffany Sanderson	Ex-officio Member	Department of Education
Fred Osborn	Executive Director	SD Office of Indian Education

Pursuant to SDCL 1-54-11, the South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council shall make an annual report to the Governor and the State-Tribal Relations Committee by January first each year. The report will be submitted to the Governor's Office, Secretary of Tribal Relations, and Tribal Leaders.

The South Dakota IEAC met on the following dates:

Date	Facilitator	Role
December 13, 2021	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
April 6, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
May 11, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
May 18, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
June 29, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
September 7, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education
November 14, 2022	Executive Director Fred Osborn	Director, Office of Indian Education

SOUTH DAKOTA INDIAN EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS

MAKING THE OCETI SAKOWIN ESSENTIAL UNDERSTANDINGS AND STANDARDS PART OF THE ACCREDITATION PROCESS

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council hereby requests the South Dakota Department of Education to include an assurance statement from schools in the accreditation process acknowledging compliance implementing the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards (OSEUS) in their school's curriculum.

INVOLVEMENT OF SOUTH DAKOTA INDIAN EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL IN OCETI SAKOWIN ESSENTIAL UNDERSTANDINGS AND STANDARDS REVISIONS

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council hereby requests to be designated the selection committee for the upcoming Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards revision and update, including providing nominations and persons to sit on the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards revision team.

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council hereby requests to review any updates or changes to the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards prior to release for public comment.

ADDRESSING STUDENT ATTENDANCE/ABSENTEEISM

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council hereby requests the South Dakota Department of Education provide a research and data report on Native student attendance to include absences, reasons for absences, and best practices by schools with low absenteeism.

CONCLUSION

The South Dakota Indian Education Advisory Council continues to advocate for the improvement of educational opportunities for South Dakotan Native American students. The above recommendations are provided by the IEAC stakeholders as guidance for the State of South Dakota and the agencies it governs, as we all work toward the goal and promise of educational equity for students. All institutions, organizations and others involved in the education of Native American students should use these recommendations to inform their efforts.