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Indian Education Update

NO ACTION REQUIRED

SUMMARY:

The 1972 Indian Education Act (IEA) was the landmark legislation establishing a comprehensive approach to meeting the unique needs of American Indian and Alaska Native students. The unique aspects of the original authority have been retained through subsequent legislative reauthorizing statutes, with the latest revision occurring with the amendments made by the 2001 No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), which reauthorized the program as Title VII Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. The IEA established the Office of Indian Education and the National Advisory Council on Indian Education. The various parts of the Act authorized a formula program and discretionary grant programs for Indian children and adults.

NORTH BEND SCHOOL DISTRICT ALLOCATION FOR 2025 - 2026: \$18,960.00

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

North Bend School District is one of approximately 30 school districts in the state of Oregon that apply for the federal Indian Education grant, sometimes called the "EASIE" grant and also known as Title VI. NBSD has utilized these funds to support our vice principals serving as Native Liaisons. The role of the Native Liaison is to be a point of contact for American Indian/ Alaskan Native students and families, share resources, keep a pulse on the Indian Education and indigenous lessons that are taught in the school, and share ideas and information with our Native Liaisons across the district to support one another.

The North Bend Indian Education Program coordinates with the Coos County History Museum to provide culture, storytelling, and field trips. NBSD partners local tribes to provide in-person opportunities in storytelling and sharing activities. North Bend Indian Education Program works closely with the state funded Tribal Attendance Promising Practices (TAPP) program.