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## Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

**The Indian Education Program, Title VI** is a federally funded program. All American Indian/Alaska Native children in grades TK-12 are invited to enroll regardless of blood degree or tribal affiliation.

**The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)** consists of parents/guardians of students enrolled in the Indian Education Title VI Program along with a teacher representative and secondary school students. Community member input is also welcome. The PAC meets at least quarterly and more often when there is business or events being planned. <u>All parents/guardians of students</u> enrolled in the program are invited to be on the PAC.

Responsibilities include:

- Students in our district are enrolled members of many different Tribes throughout the United States, although the majority of students are Wiyot, Bear River Rancheria, Karuk, Hupa, and Yurok tribal members. The School District encompasses the rural areas of the Wiyot Tribe and Bear River Rancheria.
- Our Indian Education Program is funded in part through the Federal Title VII Indian Education Act to "meet the special educational and culturally-related academic needs of Indian children." The program is funded through PL 874 Impact Aid monies.

## Our specific objectives are the following:

- To provide early reading intervention for primary Native American students to help students become proficient and independent readers.
- To provide an annual art and writing contest on a local American Indian theme to encourage student research, writing and editing skills as well as to showcase our artistic students.
- To create and promote culturally relevant and appropriate reading books, curriculum units, videos, and other materials to make learning meaningful for Indian students.

- To provide Native Language teachers with training and information in best practices for language instruction.
- To provide Native American curricular materials, reading books, video and audio tapes and other items related to local, state or National Indian issues to school staff, Tribal Education staff and to the general community through the Indian Education Resource Center.