

INSTRUCTION

Recognition of Native American Cultural Heritage

The District recognizes the distinct and unique cultural heritage of Native Americans and is committed in the District’s educational goals to the preservation of such heritage.

In furtherance of the District’s educational goals, the District is committed to:

- Working cooperatively with Montana Tribes in close proximity to the District, when providing instruction, when implementing educational goals or adopting rules relating to education of students in the District;
- Periodically reviewing its curriculum to ensure the inclusion of cultural heritage of Native Americans, which will include but not necessarily be limited to:
 - Considering methods by which to provide books and materials reflecting authentic historical and contemporary portrayals of Native Americans;
 - Taking into account individual and cultural diversity and differences among students;
- Providing necessary training for school personnel, with the objective of gaining an understanding and awareness of Native American culture, which will assist the District’s staff in its relations with Native American students and parents.

The Board may require certified staff to satisfy the requirements for instruction in American Indian studies, set forth in § 20-1-503, MCA.

Legal Reference:	Art. X, Sec. 1(2), Montana Constitution
	§§ 20-1-501, et seq., MCA
	10.55.603 ARM
	10.55.701 ARM
	10.55.803 ARM
	Indian Education for All
	Curriculum and Assessment
	Board of Trustees
	Learner Access

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