



JOY HOFMEISTER  
STATE SUPERINTENDENT *of* PUBLIC INSTRUCTION  
OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT *of* EDUCATION

March 7, 2019

**Dear Superintendent,**

As you prepare for 2019 tribal consultations, remember that it is the **responsibility of the district to initiate an open consultation** with appropriate tribal officials within 50 miles of district boundaries. The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires a copy of signed consultation affirmations be sent to the Oklahoma State Department of Education once completed.

Under ESSA Section 8538, tribal consultations **are required** if your district:

- in the previous fiscal year, received \$40,000 or more in Title VI funding; or
- student enrollment consists of 50 percent or more American Indian students;

**It is important to contact the appropriate tribal official by March 20, 2019** to schedule your consultation date prior to the closing of Part II of the Title VI Indian Education federal application May 14, 2019.

The Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) remains committed to ensuring meaningful consultation and collaboration with all 39 Tribal Nations. Consultations offer opportunities for school support and community-building that benefit 130,000+ American Indian students in our public schools. We remain committed to ensuring every child has the opportunity for a strong, well-rounded education that leads to a productive and fulfilling life. Thank you for your continued work and commitment to our students.

For assistance, contact Julian Guerrero Jr., Executive Director of American Indian Education at (405) 522-5311 or [julian.guerrero@sde.ok.gov](mailto:julian.guerrero@sde.ok.gov)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joy Hofmeister".

**Joy Hofmeister**  
State Superintendent for Public Instruction

Enclosed: List of Tribal Educational Agency Contacts

**Tribal Educational Agency – Appropriate Officials FY 2019**

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