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Nevada County Indian Education Program

Dear Parent or Guardian,

At the beginning of a new school year, each participating school district conducts an annual survey to identify American Indian students attending public schools in Nevada County. The form 506, attached to this letter, is an official federal form provided by the U.S. Department of Education to identify Native students. The total number of Native students identified determines the amount of federal funding our Indian Education Program will receive that year. Identified Native students are not required to participate in program activities but are eligible for services when needed.

If your child is of American Indian descent, please take a few moments to complete this form. Complete a separate form for each child attending public school. You may make as many copies of this form as you need if it is on white paper and has the paperwork burden statement on the back. If you need additional forms, you may also contact your child's school. You do not have to be a registered member of your tribe to participate in our program but must show some form of documentation. If you are verified through Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc., you may use their name and address as organization maintaining membership data if you don't know that information for you tribe and we can assist you from there. If you do not have verification that your child is Native American, please fill out the form to the best of your knowledge and we may be able to help you get such verification.

When you complete and return this form to your child's school, it will be forwarded to the Indian Education Program. Once we verify that the form has all the required information, your child will be enrolled in our program.

You may have completed a form for your child in the past few years. We are asking you to fill out a new form for each child if any information has changed. These forms will help us update our student database with the most current information on school, grade level, address, and telephone number. To count your students for our funding, we must be able to document the school and grade they are attending.

If you have any questions about our program or need assistance completing this form, please call Melissa Balderston at (530) 478-6400 ext. 2020. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If your child is not of American Indian descent, please disregard this notice.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott W. Lay".

Scott W. Lay
Nevada County Superintendent of Schools