

**TITLE VI INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM
2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Placer County Office of Education (PCOE), in partnership with public school districts within Placer County, facilitates the Title VI Indian Education Program. This program provides academic assessment and supports to children of Native American descent who attend public schools in Placer County. In addition, PCOE's Indian Education Program offers cultural and educational resources and referrals.

Enclosed you will find a flyer with a brief description of the program as well as the Title VI Student Eligibility Certification form, commonly called the 506 form. This form is an official form provided by the U.S. Department of Education to identify Native American students. The amount of funding available for PCOE's Indian Education Program is determined by the total number of qualifying forms included with each year's grant application.

If your child is of Native American heritage, we are asking you to complete the enclosed form for each child attending public school in Placer County so that we may update our student database with the most current information. You may make as many copies of the form as necessary, providing it is on white paper and has the *Paperwork Burden Statement* on the back, or you may obtain additional forms by contacting your child's school. Return completed forms to your child's school; the school will then forward them to PCOE. Doing so will help ensure funding for our program and Native American students around the county. If you, your child or your child's grandparent possess a tribal membership or enrollment number, it is very important to include it. This sensitive information will not be used for any purpose other than the grant application.

If you have questions about completing the 506 form, please contact Ashley Serin, Program Manager, at 530-745-1331 or aserin@placercoe.k12.ca.us. Ashley can also assist you if you are interested in any of our Indian Education services or if you are interested in participating on our Parent Advisory Committee.

We greatly appreciate your participation in contributing to culturally appropriate supports and services for the Native American community in Placer County.

Sincerely,

Phillip J. Williams
Deputy Superintendent
Educational Services