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BULLETIN NO. 023-18 SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY

TO: Educational Service District Superintendents
School District Superintendents
School District Business Managers

FROM: Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

RE: Affirmation of Consultation with Tribal Representatives

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PURPOSE/ BACKGROUND

As you know, Washington's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Consolidated Plan was approved by the U.S. Department of Education on January 16, 2018. One of the new requirements under [ESSA Section 8538](#) is to ensure timely and meaningful consultation on issues affecting American Indian and Alaska Native students, and consult with appropriate officials from Indian tribes or tribal organizations prior to the school district's submission of a required plan or application. Such consultation shall be done in a manner and in such time that provides the opportunity for such appropriate officials from Indian tribes or tribal organizations to meaningfully and substantively contribute to such plan.

AFFECTED SCHOOL DISTRICTS

School districts with an American Indian/Alaska Native student enrollment of 50 percent or more of the total district enrollment; or for fiscal year 2017, received a grant in the previous year under subpart 1 of part A of Title VI that exceeded \$40,000; or for any fiscal year following fiscal year 2017, received a grant in the previous fiscal year under subpart 1 of part A of Title VI that exceeded \$40,000.

Each affected school district shall maintain in the district's records AND upload in the General Assurances section in iGrants the Affirmation of Consultation with Tribal Representatives (attached) signed by the appropriate officials of the participating tribes or tribal organizations approved by the tribes that the consultation required has occurred. If such officials do not provide such affirmation within a reasonable period of time, the affected school district shall forward documentation that such consultation has taken place to OSPI.

Completed Affirmation of Consultation with Tribal Representatives forms must be uploaded in the General Assurances section in iGrants by July 1, and annually thereafter.

INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

For questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Gayle Pauley, Assistant Superintendent, Special Programs and Federal Accountability at 360-725-6170 or email gayle.pauley@k12.wa.us. The OSPI TTY number is 360-664-3631.

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