

TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT
TITLE VI INDIAN EDUCATION
7573 Park Avenue
Houma, Louisiana 70364

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Dear Parents,

The Terrebonne Parish Indian Education Program offers a number of services for your child and you. Eight instructional paraprofessionals are assigned to schools with high Indian populations. Paraprofessionals assist and tutor Native American students needing academic assistance.

Mrs. Cheryl Degruise serves as the Program Supervisor. Mrs. Angele Black, Program Coordinator, handles attendance, academic monitoring, and behavior referrals. Mrs. Tiffany D. Boudreaux, Resource Specialist and Parent Liaison, assists the coordinator in identifying students, maintains records, and documents the eligibility of each student. She also provides students and parents with various Native American resources.

There are approximately 1550 Native American students enrolled in the Terrebonne Parish School System's Indian Education Program. Title VI Indian Education funds provide presentations on Indian heritage to students at elementary and middle schools in the parish. The Indian Education program also provides junior high and high school students with information about college scholarships and grant programs.

Your child has been identified as possibly being eligible for the Indian Education Program. Please complete the attached forms. Mrs. Boudreaux will review the forms and determine if your child is eligible to be enrolled in the TPSD Indian Education Program. She may call you if more information is needed to make this determination.

Instruction Page (Pg. 2) — Page 2 is designed to explain the 506 Form (Page 3).

Title VI Student Eligibility Certification (506) Form (Pg. 3) — this form is required to be completed to enroll your child in the Terrebonne Parish School System's Title VI Indian Education Program.

FILL OUT 506 FORM IN BLUE OR BLACK INK. DO NOT COMPLETE IN PENCIL.

You must SIGN and DATE the form for it to be processed.

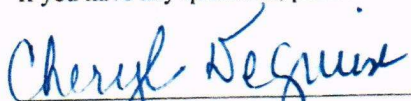
If there are items on the 506 form that you do NOT KNOW or understand PLEASE
LEAVE THEM BLANK.

*To enroll your child with your tribe, you need to contact your tribal office.

Additional Information Form (Pg. 4) — This form requests additional information, so that we can assist you to the best of our ability.

Please return the completed forms to your child's school or mail the forms to the above address.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Boudreaux at 879-6400 — Ext 377 or 879-6421 her direct line.


Mrs. Cheryl Degruise, Supervisor
Federal Programs

ED 506 Form
Indian Student Eligibility Certification Form for Title VI Indian Education Formula Grant Program

Parent/Guardian: This form serves as the official record of the eligibility determination for each individual child included in the student count for the Title VI Indian Education Formula Grant Program. If you choose to submit a form, your child could be counted for funding under the program. The grantee receives the grant funds based on the number of eligible forms counted during the established count period. You are not required to complete or submit this form unless you wish for your child(ren) to be included in the Indian student count. This form should be kept on file with the grant applicant and will not need to be completed every year. Where applicable, the information contained in this form may be released with your prior written consent or the prior written consent of an eligible student (aged 18 or over), or if otherwise authorized by law, if doing so would be permissible under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g, and any applicable state or local confidentiality requirements.

Student Information

Name of the Child _____ Date of Birth _____ Grade level _____

Name of School _____ School District _____

Tribal MembershipThe individual with Tribal membership is the (select only one): ☐ child ☐ child's parent ☐ child's grandparentIf the individual with Tribal membership is **not** the child listed above, name the individual (parent/grandparent) with tribal membership: _____Name and address of Tribe or Band that maintains updated and accurate membership data for the individual listed above:

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

The Tribe or Band is (select only one):

- ☐ Federally Recognized Tribe
- ☐ State Recognized Tribe
- ☐ Terminated Tribe
- ☐ Alaska Native
- ☐ Member of an organized Indian group that received a grant under the Indian Education Act of 1988 as it was in effect October 19, 1994.

Proof of membership in Tribe or Band listed above, as defined by Tribe or Band is:

- ☐ Membership or enrollment number establishing membership (if readily available) or
- ☐ Other evidence establishing membership in the Tribe listed above (describe and attach)

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Attestation Statement

I verify that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian _____ Signature _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____ Date _____

For Parent/Guardians:

Definitions:

Indian means an individual who is (1) A member of an Indian Tribe or Band, as membership is defined by the Indian Tribe or Band, including any Tribe or Band terminated since 1940, and any Tribe or Band recognized by the State in which the Tribe or Band resides; (2) A descendant of a parent or grandparent who meets the requirements described in paragraph (1) of this definition; (3) Considered by the Secretary of the Interior to be an Indian for any purpose; (4) An Eskimo, Aleut, or other Alaska Native; or (5) A member of an organized Indian group that received a grant under the Indian Education Act of 1988 as it was in effect on October 19, 1994.

Student Information: Write the name of the child, date of birth, grade level, name of school and school district. Only name one child per form.

Tribal Membership: Write the name of the individual with the tribal membership, if it is not the child listed. Only one name is needed for this section, even though multiple persons may have tribal membership. Select only one identifier: the child, child's parent or grandparent, for whom you can provide membership information.

Write the name and address of the organization that maintains updated and accurate membership data for such Tribe or Band of Indians. The name does not need to be the official name as it appears exactly on the Department of Interior's list of federally recognized Tribes, but the name must be recognizable and be of sufficient detail to permit verification of the eligibility of the Tribe. Check only one box indicated whether it is a Federally Recognized, State Recognized, Terminated Tribe or Organized Indian Group. Write the enrollment number establishing the membership for the child, parent or grandparent, if readily available, or other evidence of membership.

Attestation Statement: Provide the printed name of parent/guardian and signature, address, phone number and email of the parent or guardian of the child. The signature of the parent or guardian of the child verifies the accuracy of the information supplied.

Paperwork Burden Statement: According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1810-0021. The time required to complete this portion of the information collection per type of respondent is estimated to average: 15 minutes per Indian student certification (ED 506) form; including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form, write directly to: Office of Indian Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., LBJ/Room 3W238, Washington, D.C. 20202-6335