

INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Title VII Projects

Title VII Indian Education programs are funded through the Indian Education Act which was instituted in 1972 in recognition of the special educational and culturally related academic needs of Indian and Alaskan Native students. The Office of Education, U.S. Department of Education, administers programs funded by the Act. Grants are made through the department's Office of Indian Education to local educational agencies, tribal and Indian controlled schools, state educational agencies, institutions of higher education and Indian tribes, organizations and institutions. Grants are awarded on an entitlement or a competitive basis. These grant-funded projects are designed to improve educational opportunities for Indians and Alaskan Natives and to support the goal of self-determination for Indian communities. An elected parent committee in each school district helps identify those needs and how to best meet them. Part A grants support tribal or Indian-controlled schools or local educational agency projects for elementary and secondary students. Projects funded under Part B include early childhood classes, curriculum development, remedial and enrichment instruction and cultural presentations. Part C awards grants for adult education projects offering components such as life coping skills, ABE/GED preparation and career education.

Johnson O'Malley Programs

The purpose of the Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) program is to meet specialized and unique educational needs of Indian children attending public and some Tribal schools through the use of supplemental education programs. Such supplemental programs are designed at the local level under the purview of a local Indian Education Committee. Eligible JOM contract applicants are states, school districts, tribes, tribal organizations and previously private schools. Beneficiaries are children who are enrolled members of, or at least one-fourth or more degree of Indian blood descendant of a member of a federally recognized Indian tribal government eligible for service by the Bureau, and are between age 3 through grade 12 with priority given to those residing on or near Indian reservations.

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