

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION Flandreau Indian School 1132 N. Crescent Street Flandreau, SD 57028

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November 13, 2020

Dear Flandreau Indian School Parent/Guardian:

The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) as a federal agency has a duty to safeguard personally identifiable information contained in your child's education records under both the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 ("FERPA"), 20 U.S.C. § 1232(g) and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 99 and 25 C.F.R. Part 43, as well as the Privacy Act of 1974 ("Privacy Act"), 5 U.S.C. § 552(a) and the Department of Interior's (DOI) implementing regulations at 43 C.F.R. Part 2 and DOI's System of Records Notice for BIE records.

As such, with certain exceptions, Flandreau Indian School, a BIE operated school must obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Flandreau Indian School, may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised Flandreau Indian School, to the contrary by returning the *BIE Directory Information Opt Out Form* at the end of this letter by November 26, 2020.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include the South Dakota Department of Education may seek directory information from BIE in order to provide benefits under the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) program to families of students attending BIE operated schools in South Dakota.

If you do not want Flandreau Indian School, to disclose any or all of the types of information designated below as directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify Everall Fox, Chief School Administrator, in writing by November 26, 2020.

BIE has designated the following information as directory information:

- Student Name
- Student Date of Birth
- Student Residential Address
- Student's Parent/Guardian's Name
- Name of School Student Attends

If there are questions about your or your student's rights, you may contact:

Everall Fox, Chief School Administrator Flandreau Indian School (605) 997-3773 Everall.Fox@bie.edu

Sincerely,

Everall Fox

Chief School Administrator

BIE Directory Information Opt Out Form

If you <u>do not wish directory information about your student to be disclosed</u>, please complete and return the form below to Everall Fox by November 26, 2020.

Flandreau Indian School 1132 N. Crescent Street Flandreau SD, 57028 FAX: (605) 997-2601
To: Everall Fox, Chief School Administrator
Regarding [student's name-please print]:
I object to Flandreau Indian School releasing directory information:
 Student Name Student Date of Birth Student Residential Address Student's Parent/Guardian's Name Name of School Student Attends
I understand this could mean exclusion from school documents that typically are made public and include the directory information listed above, such as yearbooks, graduation programs, honor roll and

other recognition lists, and sports activity and theatrical programs. It also means that BIE will not provide this directory information to the South Dakota Department of Education for purposes of its

distribution of benefits under the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT).

Parent Signature _______Date _____