

Mutual Rights and Responsibilities

You can expect St. Joseph's Indian School to:

- Respect the child's and family's right to confidentiality.
- Meet all the basic living needs and skills.
- Provide quality academic opportunities to your child.
- Provide special services to your child (health care, counseling, speech, psychological, etc.) if needed.
- Provide spiritual and cultural education and opportunities for your child.
- Provide you with updated information regarding your child's physical and academic growth.
- Notify you in case of an emergency.
- Work with you and your child to make St. Joseph's a positive growing experience.

You are expected to:

- Transport your child to St. Joseph's at the beginning of the school year.
- Pick up your child from St. Joseph's when called upon to do so. (Break times when transportation is not provided or weekend checkouts, etc.)
- Pick up your child from St. Joseph's at the end of the school year.
- Make a sincere commitment to work with the staff of St. Joseph's to help further your child's growth while attending St. Joseph's.
- Provide data on your child's personal history that is relevant and important to your child's growth while attending St. Joseph's.
- Attend important meetings that may arise concerning your child.
- Support the policies of St. Joseph's Indian School.
- Advocate and support your child's regular attendance in school.

Should difficulties arise with a child, every attempt is made to work with the child and family to correct the issues of concern. Typically, there is an adjustment period for any new student, and St. Joseph's takes this into account when working with the child. The parent/guardian can be assured that the staff of St. Joseph's always base their decisions on the best interests of the child in mind. If recommendation for medical treatment, psychological or psychiatric service is made, it is the right of the parent/guardian to refuse treatment of their child. The parent/guardian should know that in cases of refusal of treatment, the child may no longer be appropriately placed at St. Joseph's and will likely be dismissed.

There are cases when a child's placement at St. Joseph's Indian School is discovered to be inappropriate. In such cases a child may be dismissed from St. Joseph's Indian School. The parent/guardian is notified of the reasons behind the dismissal, and attempts are made to assist the family in the transition of the child back into the home or to another service agency.