

1 **Ovando School District**

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5 Recognition of Native American Cultural Heritage

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7 The District recognizes the distinct and unique cultural heritage of Native Americans and is
8 committed in the District’s educational goals to the preservation of such heritage.

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10 In furtherance of the District’s educational goals, the District is committed to:

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12 □ Working cooperatively with Montana Tribes in close proximity to the District, when
13 providing instruction, when implementing educational goals or adopting rules relating to
14 education of students in the District;

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16 □ Periodically reviewing its curriculum to ensure the inclusion of cultural heritage of
17 Native Americans, which will include but not necessarily be limited to:

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19 □ Considering methods by which to provide books and materials reflecting
20 authentic historical and contemporary portrayals of Native Americans;

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22 □ Taking into account individual and cultural diversity and differences among
23 students;

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25 □ Providing necessary training for school personnel, with the objective of gaining an
26 understanding and awareness of Native American culture, which will assist the District’s
27 staff in its relations with Native American students and parents.

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29 The Board may require certified staff to satisfy the requirements for instruction in American
30 Indian studies, set forth in § 20-1-503, MCA.

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34 Legal Reference:	Art. X, Sec. 1(2), Montana Constitution	
35	§§ 20-1-501, et seq., MCA	Indian Education for All
36	10.55.603 ARM	Curriculum and Assessment
37	10.55.701 ARM	Board of Trustees
38	10.55.803 ARM	Learner Access

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40 Policy History:

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