Indian Education Committee

IEC Duties and Responsibilities
Subchapter M-Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act Program

Part 273-Education Contracts under Johnson-O’Malley Act
Indian Education Committee
Regulations and duties

- A Local Indian Education Committee (LIEC) is authorized by law to oversee operation of the Johnson-O’Malley education program.
- The LIEC is composed of elected parents/guardians, or *in loco parentis* (in lieu of parent) of eligible Indian students.
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- The IEC operations are specified in the following sections of 25 CFR INDIANS Part 273, otherwise known as the JOM Regulations.

- Part 273 is superseded by Part 900 of 25 CFR. Part 273 has outdated language.
Subpart A-General Provisions

273.1 Purpose and scope

- Meet the specialized and unique educational needs of eligible Indian students
- Supplemental to the regular school program
- Maintain established State educational standards
273.2 Definitions

- “Education plan” means a comprehensive plan for the programmatic and fiscal services and accountability by a contractor.
273.3 Revision or amendment of regulations

- Consult with Indian tribes about the need for revision or amendment
- Consider their view in preparing the proposed revision or amendment
273.4 Policy of maximum Indian Participation

- provides students the desired level of educational achievement and satisfaction which education can and should provide.
273.12 Eligible Students

- 3 years through grades 12
- 1/4 or more degree Indian blood
* Indian Education Committee shall formulate an education plan and submit it as part of the application to contract...

- Plan shall become a part of any contract awarded.
- Plan shall contain The education programs approved by the Indian Education Committee...
The Indian Education Committee shall establish procedures under which the Committee shall serve.

Such procedures shall be set forth in the Committee’s organizational documents and by-laws.

Each Committee shall file a copy of its by-laws with the appropriate Area Director.
Ensure continued participation of the rest of the Indian community in all aspects of programs.
An IEC to be elected from among the parents of eligible Indian students.
Consistent with the purpose, each IEC shall be vested with the authority to:
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- **Participate fully** in:
  - planning,
  - development,
  - implementation, and
  - evaluation of all programs, (supplemental and operational),

Such participation shall include further authority to:
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- Recommend:
  - curricula, texts, materials, and teaching methods
- Approve budget preparation and execution
- Recommend criteria for employment in the program
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- Nominate qualified prospective educational programmatic staff members
- Evaluate staff performance and program results
- Recommend appropriate action to the contractor
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- Approve and disapprove all programs to be contracted
- All programs contracted require official approval by the IEC (official minutes)
- Secure a copy of the negotiated contract which include the programs approved by the IEC
Recommend cancellation or suspension of a contract, if the contractor fails to permit such Committee to exercise its powers and duties.
B) The organizational papers and by-laws of the IEC may include additional powers and duties to:

1. Participate in negotiations concerning all contracts under this part
2. Make an annual assessment of the learning needs of Indian children in the community affected
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- Access to all reports, evaluations, surveys, and other documents to carry out its responsibilities
- Request periodic reports and evaluations
- Hear grievances
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B) (Continued)

- (6) Meet regularly with professional staff of the local education agency
- (7) Hold regular committee meetings, open to the public
- (8) Have such additional powers as are consistent with these regulations
273.17 Programs approved by the IEC

- All programs shall:
  - Be **developed and approved in full compliance** with the powers and duties of the IEC
  - Be **included as part of the educational plan**
  - No program shall be changed from the original approval **without approval, in writing**, of the IEC
273.17 Programs approved by the IEC

- Programs may, at the option of the IEC, include funds for the performance of the IEC duties including:
  - Attendance at regular and special meetings
  - Workshops and training sessions
  - Such expenses incurred performing primary duties including planning, development, implementation and evaluation of the program
273.18 Additional requirements for the education plan.

- Education plan shall include the following:
  - Contain educational goals and objectives which adequately address the educational needs
  - Incorporate program developed and approved by IEC
  - Changes must have written approval of the IEC
  - Contain procedures for hearing grievances
  - Identify State standards and requirements
  - Describe how standards will be maintained
273.18 Additional requirements for the education plan.

- Education plan shall:
  - Provide how contractor shall comply in full with requirements concerning meaningful participation by the IEC.
  - Provide that education facilities be open to visits and consultations by the IEC, Indian parents and by Federal Government representatives.
273.18 Additional requirements for the education plan.

- Education plan shall:
- Outline administrative and fiscal management procedures used by the contractor
- Contain justification for requesting funds
- Include budget estimates and financial information needed to determine program costs
- Total enrollment of school by age and grade level
273.18 Additional requirements for the education plan.

- Education plan shall:
  - State period of contract term requested
  - Signature of authorized representative
  - Program goals and objectives related to learning needs of target students
  - Procedures and methods to be used achieving program objectives
273.18 Additional requirements for the education plan.

- Education plan shall include:
  - Overall program implementation: staff practices, parental and community involvement, evaluation of program results and dissemination
  - Determination of staff and program effectiveness in meeting stated needs of target students
End of Presentation

- Does your program follow the Federal Regulations?
- Areas to improve
- None-compliance
- Annual Timeline