

MISSISQUOI VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
TITLE VI INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM
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MISSISQUOI YOUTH PROGRAM

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your student to a new year at school. We are looking forward to getting to know you and your students throughout the coming year, which surely promises to bring with it many new experiences and challenges. In order to make the year a successful one, teamwork and cooperation will be required by all. It is our goal to help your student become a confident learner and we will do our best to help make this year a positive experience for everyone.

A new year has brought with it new changes. The COVID-19 situation has left us with challenges we have never before dealt with. Please know when your child is referred to our offices, all COVID regulations will be strictly followed, without exception. We know you are concerned and we want to assure you that we will only meet with one student at a time, and that all school protocols will be adhered to. The program has been redesigned to better serve the needs of our students and community. As always, we continue to offer tutoring opportunities provided by Colleen Plante. In addition to tutoring, Colleen will also be helping students with other needs that are barriers to academic success such as having students better organized; improving student-teacher relationships; and establishing a check-in system. Our focus is to provide well-rounded support where it is needed for students. This may also include college planning and post high school employment exploration.

As we move forward, our process has changed. Referrals can be made by parents, students, guidance, teachers, and other MVU personnel. The form will be available on the MVU school website as well as an attached copy to this letter. If a referral is made for your child, you will receive a phone call from Colleen making you aware of it as well as making sure you are in agreement with the referral. At all times, we want to make sure we are establishing a good fit for your student!

We look forward to working in partnership with you throughout the coming year and we are confident that together we can provide the support and encouragement needed to help your student excel. This year may be the most challenging yet, and it is critical that your child understand we are all on the same page in wanting what is best for that student. The COVID-19 nightmare will not deter us from providing much needed academic support to all those in need. If you have any questions now or at any time in the future, don't hesitate to contact us at the school at 868-7311 ext. 142.

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