

**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2015-02**

WHEREAS, Schools in South Dakota play a vital role in educating and preparing future generations for postsecondary education and careers; and,

WHEREAS, Native American students have been identified in South Dakota to be at risk for low achievement levels and failure to graduate; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper for the groups involved in the education of at-risk Native American students should undertake a study of methods to improve the achievement levels and graduation rates of these students:

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, directed that the Native American Student Achievement Advisory Council is hereby established, with the following provisions:

Section 1. The council shall consist of representatives from the Indian Education Advisory Council, the Department of Education, the Department of Tribal Relations, education groups, tribal leaders, individual educators, community members, and parents.

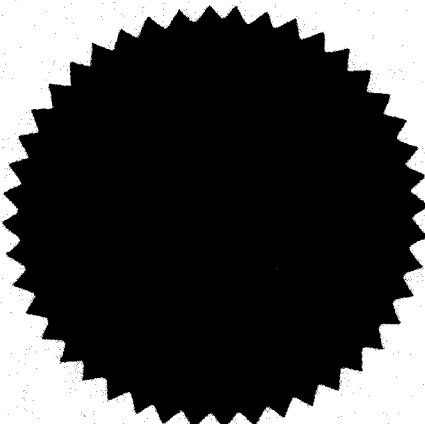
Section 2. The Native American Student Achievement Advisory Council shall examine the following issues:

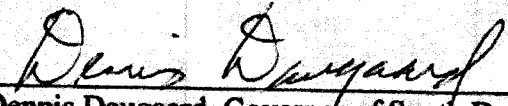
- (1) Factors affecting achievement of students;
- (2) Effect of non-traditional schools on student achievement;
- (3) Methods of financing, establishing, and authorizing non-traditional schools; and
- (4) Other related issues as determined by the council.

Section 3. The council shall report its findings to the Legislature and the Governor no later than December 1, 2015.

Section 4. The Department of Education shall have administrative authority and the authority to receive and expend funds for the purposes in this executive order.


Dated in Pierre, South Dakota, this Second day of February, 2015.





Dennis Daugaard, Governor of South Dakota

Attest:



Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State