

OGLALA SIOUX TRIBAL COURT



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To Whom It May Concern,

I am an enrolled tribal member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe here on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. I am a strong supporter of the Lakota Waldorf School located at the three mile creek north west of Kyle, SD.

The school does incorporate and promote the Lakota Language in their teaching methods. This is very important in this area as the students are Lakota Tribal Members. I did not have this when I was growing up in the local school. Had the language been encouraged and taught to us it would have been very much welcomed and appreciated.

Also the Waldorf School does encourage the Lakota spirituality in working with the students. This is also very important when working with Lakota students. I personally appreciate this very much and applaud the school and teachers for doing this for the students.

I am very much impressed with the motto of the Waldorf system, which is, "Receive the child in reverence, educate him in Love, send him forth in freedom". The school here on the reservation does a very wonderful job with our children and I am a strong supporter of the wonderful school and the administrator, Isabel Stadnick, who is doing an excellent job with the school and our children.

Please give to the school so that it can continue to meet the needs of our children (future generation). I was born and raised in Kyle, SD and see the positive teachings that the Waldorf school imparts to our children.

In my profession, I am an ordained Christian Minister, and I had the opportunity to study off of the reservation and earned bachelors and two masters degrees from the University of Dubuque, college and seminary. I have and continue, to serve my people as an Associate Judge in the town of Pine Ridge, South Dakota. Also, one year ago I was given an Eagle Feathered headdress that was worn to Washington, DC by a Sioux Chief in the 1870s to meet with the President of the United States, U.S. Grant. Also passed on to me were very old and valuable treaty documents which were written in our Lakota Language.

IN conclusion, Please give to the Lakota Waldorf School in Kyle, SD they need your help. On behalf of our tribe I will say thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles T. Montileaux Sr. +".

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