

Browning Alternative Schools Board Report

September 1, 2016

Both Alternative programs, Blackfeet Academy and Project Choices are in the process of moving to the William Buffalo Hide Complex. The construction and remodel are almost complete and the building looks incredible. Once again I want to thank Mr. Munro and Mr. Sanchez and their respective staffs for all of the support and help in the transition process. We are currently serving 65 students and the average daily attendance has been impressive. We are committed to daily parent contacts and early attendance interventions; we have already made several supportive parent visits.

Last week students and staff visited the Blackfeet Tribal Council Meeting where they were very warmly welcomed by Council Members and staff. The students enjoyed observing the practical workings of Tribal Government and stayed for a screening of a movie on protecting the Badger Two Medicine.

Students are creating winter count Identify robes to tell their own personal creation stories as a formal team building and getting to know each other and build relationships. Each staff member is also expected to take part in this activity and share personal experiences.

We have been working with the Browning High School staff to streamline the application process and make sure that students and parents feel supported at each building, it is our belief that most of our students can be successful in either environment and it is our responsibility to support whatever decision is in their best interest. Thanks to Mr. Salois and the Counselors for the start to a great year.



Thank you

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