

XXXX: JORDAN'S PRINCIPLE (A/P)

PURPOSE

School District 70 Pacific Rim supports the applications for First Nation students for Jordan's Principle. Jordan's Principle is available for First Nation children who may require services for health, social and educational needs and/or supports. Jordan's Principle ensures that these services are delivered to First Nation children without delay.

PROCEDURE

- 1. A request for a child or children in the same family or with the same guardian can be submitted by:
 - a. a parent or guardian of a First Nations child
 - b. a First Nations child who is the age of 16. A child at the age of consent can make decisions on their own about the care they need.
 - c. an authorized representative of the child, parent or guardian (i.e.. School-based team)
 - i. written or verbal consent must be provided by the parent or guardian.
- 2. A request for a group of children from multiple families or guardians can be submitted by a community or service provider or a school-based team, who can request products, services and supports such as:
 - a. respite care
 - b. wheelchair ramps
 - c. support programs
 - d. educational assistants
 - e. transportation to school
 - f. local therapeutic specialists
- 3. How to submit a request (Please refer to Appendix A)
 - a. If a parent or guardian of a First Nation child is applying a letter of support may be all that is required. If a parent is seeking an educational assessment or additional learning supports, it is important to connect with the Director of Instruction Inclusive Education to discuss resources that may be available before going to Jodan's Principle.
 - b. In order to submit a request the following information is required:
 - i. Registration number for the child or parent under the Indian Act if available
 - ii. Supports or products being requested and how often it is recommended and how long it is recommended for.
 - iii. Estimated costs
 - iv. Copies of documents to support the requests (i.e. . Referrals from educational, health or social professionals)
 - v. Any additional information to support the requests

REFERENCES

<u>Jordan's Principle (sac-isc.gc.ca)</u> jordans_principle_resource_guide_2021_final.pdf (fncaringsociety.com) Jordan's Principle Handbook 2019_en.pdf (afn.ca) https://www.sd23.bc.ca/DistrictInfo/adminprocedures/Technolog/Admin%20Procedure%20-%20Jordan's%20Principle.pdf