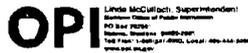


## State-Tribal Relations Interim Committee

Linda McCulloch, Superintendent  
Office of Public Instruction

January 23, 2005  
Helena, Montana



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## Indian Education for All Ongoing Initiatives

July 1 – December 12, 2005

- Staffing
- Grant Administration
- Curriculum Development
- Professional Development
- Public Education Campaign

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## American Indian Education Data

### Demographics:

- 6.2% of Montana's total population is American Indian (2000 Census)
- 16,523 students, or 11.3%, of the total K-12 public school population are American Indian (Montana Public School Enrollment Data, Fall 2004-05, OPI)
- 41 Districts in Montana report 50-100% Indian student populations; 10 report 30-50%; and 34 report 10-30%.

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## ... More on Indian Education

### Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) – 2005 data:

- 49 of the 58 schools that did not make AYP are schools with high American Indian student populations
- 27 out of 32 districts that did not make AYP have 50-100% American Indian student populations
- 70% of districts on reservations did not make AYP (33 districts exist on reservations)

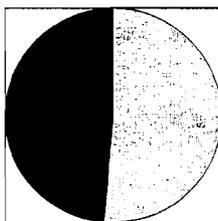
### Free & Reduced Program data:

- On average, nearly 70% of students in schools with 30-100% Indian student populations participate in the program.

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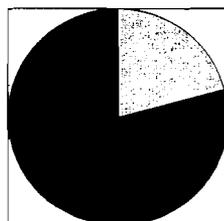
## The Achievement Gap in Montana

2004-05 CRT Test - Reading scores of 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students



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American Indian Students



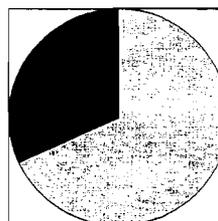
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White students

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## ... More on the Achievement Gap

2004-05 CRT Test - Math scores of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students



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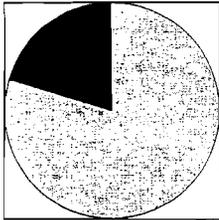
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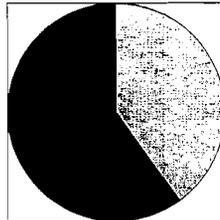
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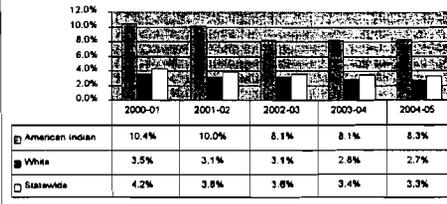
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### Dropout Rates

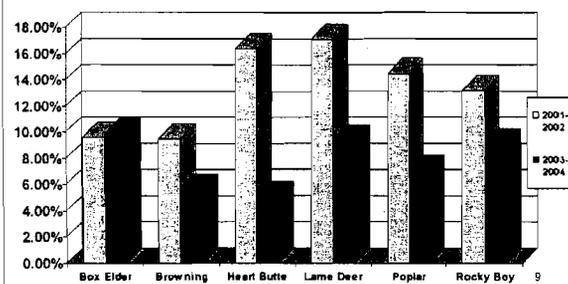
Dropout Rates by Race/Ethnicity for Grades 9-12  
2000-01 to 2003-04



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### American Indian Dropout Prevention Grant Schools

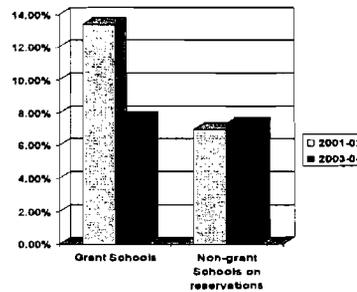
2001-02 and 2003-04 Comparison data



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### ... More on the Dropout Prevention Grant

Comparison data of participating and non-participating schools



- The average total school dropout rate change from 2001-2004 for schools participating in the grant was a decrease of 5.5%!
- The average total school dropout rate change for non-participating schools on reservations over the same time period was a slight increase of 0.4%.
- All schools on a reservation had an average dropout rate of 7.5% in 2003-04, as compared to the 2.8% rate of white students in Montana

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### The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)

- American Indian students are beginning to close the gap with other Montana students
- Males continue to score lower than females in both grades four and eight
- Students on free and reduced program tend to score lower than other students
- NAEP results emphasize the role poverty plays in student learning

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### ... More on NAEP

#### Grade Four Reading Average scale scores:

National average score	217
Montana student average score	225
White students' score	228
American Indian students' score	202
Free & Reduced Program students' score	212

#### Grade Eight Reading Average scale scores:

National average score	260
Montana student average score	268
White students' score	273
American Indian students' score	247
Free & Reduced Program students' score	258

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