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PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
Chris Reykdal, Superintendent

June 29, 2026

The Honorable Bill Sterud, Chairman
Puyallup Tribal Council
5625 52nd Street East
Puyallup, WA 98371

Dear Chairman Sterud:

Thank you for your letter requesting a one-year renewal of the State of Washington – Puyallup Tribe of Indians State-Tribal Education Compact with the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) for Chief Leschi Schools. This letter is to acknowledge receipt and approval of your one-year renewal request. The one-year renewal extends to July 1, 2027.

We appreciate your continued commitment to providing high-quality educational opportunities for students through Chief Leschi Schools. We value our longstanding government-to-government relationship and recognize the importance of maintaining educational continuity while collaboratively reviewing and updating Compact language to reflect the growth and evolution of Chief Leschi Schools.

We look forward to continuing our partnership and engaging in collaborative discussions over the coming year. Thank you for your leadership and commitment to serving the students, families, and community of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Lathrop, OSPI's Chief Education Officer, at susan.lathrop@k12.wa.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'Chris Reykdal', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Chris Reykdal
Superintendent of
Public Instruction

cc: Don Brummett, Superintendent, Chief Leschi Schools
Susan Lathrop, Chief Education Officer, OSPI

Form Revised June 10, 2021

PUYALLUP TRIBAL COUNCIL - AGENDA REQUEST AND REPORT FORM

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Date/Time Stamp ARF/ Document Received: _____

ARF dropped off by Print Name: Don Brummett

Initial: DB

Council Staff received ARF: [Signature]

Dept. ID: CLSO18

CDR No. 1040

SUBMITTED BY: Don Brummett

Briefly explain the Document submitted and the Action you are requesting Tribal Council takes on it:

Tribal Council approval and signature is requested to authorize the one-year renewal of the State-Tribal Education Compact between the Puyallup Tribe of Indians and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). This renewal will ensure continuity of educational operations and funding for Chief Leschi Schools while allowing the Tribe and its legal counsel time to review, clarify, and strengthen compact language related to program growth, compliance requirements, and future educational opportunities for students.

All administrative routes should be exhausted before Tribal Council considers this item. Please name the departments and/or Committees that have reviewed this request and their comments or recommendations – APPROVE, DENY, NO RECOMMENDATION, OR SEE ATTACHMENT.

REVIEWED BY: REVIEWER'S INITIALS & DATE:

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Chief Leschi Schools

DB

05/21/2026

Approve

Council Consensus [] _____

Action: [] Approved [] Denied _____

Motion # [] _____

Resolution # _____

[] Referred To (no further action). _____

[] Response Required: _____

[] Tabled until: _____

COUNCIL VOTE:

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May 21, 2026

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians respectfully requests a one-year renewal of the State of Washington – Puyallup Tribe of Indians State-Tribal Education Compact with the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, as provided in Part II of the Compact.

The Tribe will continue operating a Kindergarten through Grade 12 (K–12) program at Chief Leschi Schools and will maintain compliance with all assurances outlined in the Compact.

This one-year renewal is submitted with the intent of pursuing a full five-year renewal following collaborative work with legal counsel to review and update language in the following areas related to school growth and program development:

- Expansion of Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways, including development of a Skills Center model
- Clarification of student membership definitions, including incorporation of Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) language
- Clarification of alternative education program language
- Further clarification regarding English Language Learner (ELL) requirements and assessments
- Alignment and clarification of OSPI and BIE standardized testing requirements
- Continued flexibility regarding Professional Development waiver days

Thank you for your continued partnership and support of Chief Leschi Schools and the students we serve.

Sincerely,

Bill Sterud, Chairman
Puyallup Tribal Council

Don Brummett, Superintendent
Chief Leschi Schools