



# MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

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Between  
South Dakota State University and Red Cloud High School

## A. PARTNERS TO THE AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is established between Red Cloud High School (RCHS) in Pine Ridge, South Dakota and South Dakota State University (SDSU) in Brookings, South Dakota.

## B. STATEMENT OF NEED

RCHS and SDSU recognize the need for establishing a formal relationship to continue to build a partnership between institutions to support programs and policies to foster Red Cloud High School students' interest in pursuing post-secondary studies and potentially attending and graduating from SDSU.

## C. GOALS OF THE AGREEMENT

1. Provide a forum for RCHS students to engage with a SDSU advocate/mentor.
2. Provide a student support network for Red Cloud High School students matriculating into SDSU.
3. Increase graduation rates among Red Cloud alumni who matriculated into SDSU.
4. Develop and support collaboration between Red Cloud Faculty and SDSU Faculty.

## D. ORGANIZATIONAL PROCESS OF THE AGREEMENT

1. RCHS guidance counselor will identify high school juniors who have expressed interest in SDSU as their post-secondary institution.
2. SDSU will identify SDSU faculty who are committed to being a mentor to RCHS students.
3. During students' junior year, RCHS students will travel to SDSU for a spring visit.
4. During students' senior year, SDSU faculty mentors will travel to RCHS for a fall visit.
5. RCHS Advancement/Administration will meet at a minimum annually with SDSU to identify areas of collaboration between faculty.

## E. ORGANIZATIONAL RESOURCES

1. SDSU will be responsible for travel costs incurred to transport SDSU faculty to Red Cloud campus on Pine Ridge reservation.
2. RCHS will provide housing and meals for one night stay for SDSU faculty mentors.
3. RCHS will be responsible for travel costs incurred to transport Red Cloud students to SDSU campus in spring.
4. SDSU will provide housing and meals for one night stay for RCHS students and chaperones during spring visit.

## F. DURATION OF THE MEMORANDUM

The Memorandum of Agreement becomes effective when signed and until cancelled by either party with 30 days notice. The Agreement may be revised at any time with the consent of both institutions.

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