Caring for the whole child mind, body, heart & spirit

2019 IMPACT REPORT

2019 was a tremendous time of successes and impact. Thank you for being our kňóla — friend — as we care for Native American children — mind, body, heart and spirit.

Mind
- 221 students were taught by 24 classroom teachers
- 8,835 free books were given to adults & youth living on SD Indian reservations
- $190,000 was awarded in scholarships to students seeking higher education

Body
- 35,268 lunches were served in our campus dining hall
- 3,881 visits took place in our campus health center
- 164 food boxes were sent home with kids to help feed their families on reservations

Heart
- 144 students took part in individual counseling sessions
- 106 students took part in group therapy sessions, including our newest service, equine therapy
- 20 campus homes with 40 houseparents cared for students 24/7

Spirit
- 107 students danced in regalia at our annual powwow
- 31% of students participated in Sacramental Preparation at the request of their families
- 80 kids traveled to experience different cultures
PERSONAL STORIES OF IMPACT

LEO’S STORY
Leo is a star athlete at St. Joseph’s — especially track and field events. When track season came around and Leo decided not to participate, we had to find out why. Turns out, Leo had shoes that were really worn out and they hurt his feet. There was no way he could run distance races with them. Your generous support helped purchase new track shoes for Leo, who is once again on his way to becoming an even better athlete!

PARENT STORY
“I am a single mother of two. I hit hardships in which I enrolled my children here. They attended for three years. It was the best thing that ever happened to us. As a mother and someone who has involvement with SJIS I just want to say they are great. My children learned more about our culture, and cultural ways. I’m grateful to the people who donate, because it helped my children while I was struggling trying to make ends meet. So thank you, St. Joseph’s Indian school and thank you to all supporters for your beautiful hearts!”

*Names and photos have been changed to protect individuals’ privacy.

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More Ways YOU Made a Difference in 2019
- 1,150 children attended our summer Rising Eagle Day Camp absolutely free-of-charge.
- You helped fund a domestic violence shelter on the Cheyenne River reservation.
- Your gifts helped give reservation flood victims supplies during recovery efforts.
- Your gifts gave children at St. Joseph’s books, clothing, warm beds and nutritious food in their bellies.