

## SPIRIT LAKE TRIBE

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Cynthia Lindquist, PhD
President
Cankdeska Cikana Community College
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RE: Student Complaint Process

Dear President Lindquist:

Cankdeska Cikana Community College (CCCC) is an institution of higher education as chartered by the Spirit Lake Dakota Tribe in 1975 and located on tribal lands in Fort Totten, North Dakota serving residents who live on or near the Spirit Lake reservation. CCCC qualifies as a "tribally controlled college or university" eligible for federal funding pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 1801(4) of the Tribally Controlled College and Universities Act.

CCCC is governed by a 5-member Board of Regents who are appointed by the Spirit Lake Tribal Council and who are members of the Spirit Lake Tribe. The CCCC Board of Regents, per the charter, is authorized to oversee all management and administrative functions for the institution, including a process to review and appropriately act on student complaints concerning CCCC that complies with accreditation, federal and tribal requirements and laws. The Spirit Lake Tribal Council is satisfied and confident of this process.

A joint meeting between the CCCC Board of Regents and the Spirit Lake Tribal Council is conducted on an annual basis to review policies and processes. In addition, CCCC publishes an annual report that outlines student success and that will now include any data regarding student complaints as a part of the report.

Sincerely,

Myra Pearson, Chairperson

Tribal Council Spirit Lake Tribe