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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Welcome,

Your son’s education is provided by Saint Paul Public Schools during their residence at Boys Totem Town. A team of dedicated licensed teachers and staff are devoted to ensuring that your child continues to make academic progress in the areas of reading, math, social studies and science. Our goal is to keep your child on track towards completing school and successfully transitioning into the adult world. In addition to academic learning, we provide counseling services, social work support, career/college orientation and transition support.

Our program benefits from additional funds provided through Title I, part D federal program. The purpose of these funds is to improve educational services for youth in local and State institutions. This is to ensure that youth have the opportunity to meet the same challenging State and academic content and achievement standards that all youth in the State are expected to meet. We use Title I funds to provide a reading specialist, Paraprofessional support and a coordinator to assist students with their transition back into their community school. Parents who would like to know more about the teachers’ qualifications should write to the Human Resource Department, Attn: ESSA Teacher Qualifications, Saint Paul Public Schools, 360 Colborne Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102-3299.

Please feel welcome to contact us to share your concerns and ideas regarding your child’s education. Parent/guardian involvement in their child’s education is one of the top indicators of a child’s learning success. In addition to attending school conferences (November 14th and April 11th), you are invited to meet with school staff when you are at Boys Totem Town for scheduled meetings. You can also call, write, or go online to give us your feedback and/or input (https://goo.gl/forms/1cFLIVLZtcSI2pWn1). We are also open to home visits. Our goal is to make every effort to welcome your voice in your child’s education.

If transportation is an issue, Title I funding makes it possible to provide cab service for you to be brought to and from Boys Totem Town for school related meetings when school is in session (such as, IEP meeting, conferences, parent-teacher meeting). To arrange transportation, please contact us at 651-266-5245.

Enclosed are a number of helpful resources that describe the facility school program and parent/school partnerships. This information can also be found on our web site.

Regards,

Dan Wolff, Principal