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## Brian Gallup Named NAFIS School Board Liaison

**Washington, DC – March 27, 2019** – The National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) is pleased to announce that Brian Gallup, who serves on the school board of Browning Public Schools (Montana), has been re-elected to serve as the School Board Liaison of the NAFIS Board of Directors. The election took place at the 2019 NAFIS Spring Conference.

In this role, Gallup will serve as a national leader advocating for school districts that receive Impact Aid. He will work with other board members from across the country to guide the association's public policy work and oversee plans for the association.

Impact Aid reimburses school districts for the loss of revenue caused by the presence of nontaxable Federal property, including military installations; Indian Trust, Treaty and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act lands; Federal low-income housing facilities; and national laboratories and other Federal buildings and property. It helps ensure students who attend schools on or near Federal property have access to a quality education.

"I look forward to continuing to serve the children and communities impacted by Federal lands by encouraging Congress to meet their financial obligation to us," said Gallup. As a representative of a school district located on Indian Lands with 100% LOT – meaning that, using a need-based formula established by Congress, it is highly dependent on Impact Aid funds – he notes that the program is critical to the district's survival.

Gallup currently serves on the NAFIS Federal Relations Outreach (FRO) Committee and has served on the Personnel Committee as well. He was first elected to the NAFIS Board of Directors in 2009.

"The NAFIS Board is crucial in ensuring that students in federally impacted school districts receive the resources that they deserve," said NAFIS Executive Director Hilary Goldmann. "Brian brings important insight into the needs of these school districts, their students and their communities, as well as a wealth of experience and expertise from which NAFIS will continue to benefit."

Gallup's term will last for two years.

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The National Association of Federally Impacted Schools (NAFIS) represents the 1,200-plus federally impacted public school districts that together educate more than 10 million students across the nation. Federally impacted school districts are those located on or near nontaxable Federal property—including military installations; Indian Trust, Treaty and Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act lands; Federal low income housing facilities; and national parks, national laboratories and other Federal buildings and property. These school districts, which are demographically and geographically diverse, receive Impact Aid, a Federal education program that reimburses school districts for the lost local revenue and additional costs associated with the presence of Federal property. To learn more, visit [www.nafisdc.org](http://www.nafisdc.org).