**Justice for Our Children; Healing for Our Communities**  
🡪 Stop burying the truth of the horrific acts of cruelty and deaths of Native children at boarding schools  
🡪 Return our children to their family homelands from mass and individual graves wherever they are  
🡪 Speak the trauma that has been passed down from generation to generation in our communities   
🡪 Persevere in holding governmental, church and private institutions accountable for restitution  
*Our children’s names were unknown to the strangers who stole them, but we continue to sing out our   
children’s names.*  
  
**October 6, 2021: Day of Remembrance and Action**  
🡪 This date remembers the forcible taking of Native children to the first off-reservation boarding school   
 at Carlisle, PA by Captain Pratt in 1879, though compulsory “mission schools” existed long before   
🡪 Learn more at: [*https://boardingschoolhealing.org/*](https://boardingschoolhealing.org/)and *https//www.facebook.com/Justice-for-Our-  
 Children-Healing-for-Our-Communities/103462802069999/photos*   
🡪 Wear the color orange in solidarity with others standing for truth and standing against violence  
🡪 Hold prayer circles and sacred gatherings to remember our children, inviting others to join  
🡪 Advocate for federal, state and local government and church leadership to search out and make  
 known the truth of the slaughter of our children, people and culture   
  
***The artist, Paige McNatt, explains the image on front:****“The school is in the background with the children’s moccasins and shorn braids being buried with the truth in the foreground. I wanted to have dark, looming clouds in the sky behind the school to convey the darkness and pain that it represents. I chose to have "justice for our children" behind a yellow, more hopeful part of the sky. On the grass, there are brown spots to show that there are many other holes <where the truth of the devastation has been buried> just like the one in the foreground of the drawing.”*

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