Native American Parent Advisory Committee

Public Meeting

October 2022

District Vision

S.O.A.R. Together: Building a school family to guide and inspire our students for success in reaching their potential.

Mission:

Our school family will work together to:

- build trusting relationships
- -foster joy and resiliency; and
- -equip students with skills that enable them to be successful!



Celebrations for our Native American population this year

67 (65%) students signed up for Culture Club!

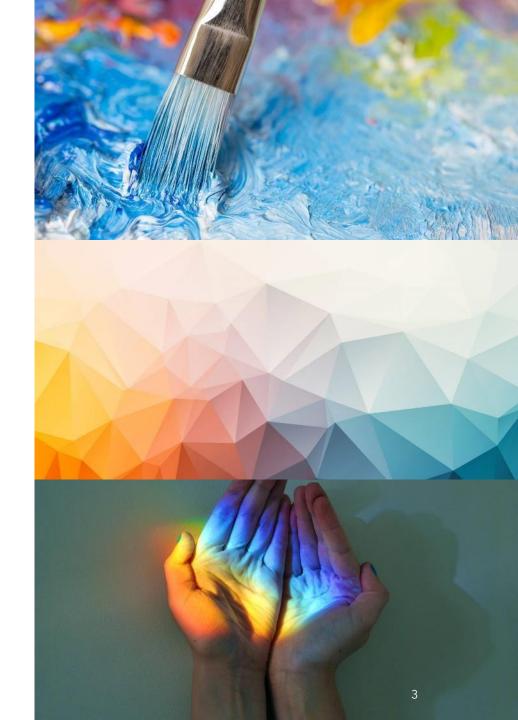
95.5% attendance rate so far this school year!

79% of students are here 90% or more!

68% of families attended Back to School Open House!

27% decrease in Emotional At-Risk Identification from last year at this time!

We've added 1 full-time math interventionist (total of 5 = 1 ADSIS, 2 Reading Corps, 1 Title VI, & 1 Math Corps)!



New Cultural Activities & Native American Student Support

- -Weeekly Culture Club (THANK YOU, Dustina & volunteers!!!)
- -Read Aloud Repository
- -Weekly book and activity for each Native American family that attends ECFE along with social media campaign and incentives for families to attend
- -Created a digital Native American resources library for staff to us beginning next August
- -All teachers being trained in LETRS (literacy) Year 2 and beginning Literacy coaching
- -Cultural Responsiveness training in August for all staff by TNEC member Paul Dressen (and a Dakota Language Teacher, Home Liaison, and Policy/Rights Expert). Additional training planned for August 2023
- -Staff working to implement cultural responsiveness into classroom lessons
- -Permission to display SWO flag and working to make school more cultural-looking aesthetically





Continuing Cultural Activities and Native American Student Support

- ---Mental Health Programs: EmpowerU, Second Step, Mind Up, & Zones of Regulation; hoping to add Youth and Family Tree services
- -Dakota Language weekly lessons
- -JOM support in classrooms, After School Program,& transportation,
- -Title VI employee working specifically with Native American students and families
- -Working with city Historical Society on plans for a powwow in August 2023





Spring Survey/Needs Assessment

36% of families responded

88% felt children were receiving the academic support needed

Challenges: Math (3), history of Native American culture not being represented in mainstream education (2), friends, emotions/talking things out

69% of families felt children were receiving the social and emotional support they need at school

94% of families felt welcome at school

-Things families felt would help children be more successful: Exposure to history, culture, and traditions, more services, more talking things out, and more explanations of how to help students since things have changed since the adults were in school.

-Activities they would like to see offered: pow wow, more field trips, learning songs, more language opportunities, more culture, group of kids practicing talking things out

-Activities that had a positive impact: 88% said tutoring/homework help, 50% of more: after school program, field trips, and monthly cultural activities.





Parent Engagement Opportunities

Culture Club Volunteer

Awards Night

Concerts

Fall Festival

Spelling/Geography Bees

Open Houses (Back to School, Santa Days, Science Fair)

Prairie Fire Theatre

Early Childhood Family Education

Family Breakfast

Sports

Parent/Teacher Conferences





Funding 2022-23

MN Indian Aid

- \$45,418
- Provide tutoring and interventions in reading and math to increase achievement in small groups and 1:1
- Weekly ECFE Math or Reading Activity and book;
- Cultural Activities and speakers and Indian Education Coordinator
- Culture Club materials

Federal Indian Aid

- **\$24,719**
- Provide tutoring and interventions in reading and math to increase achievement in small groups and 1:1

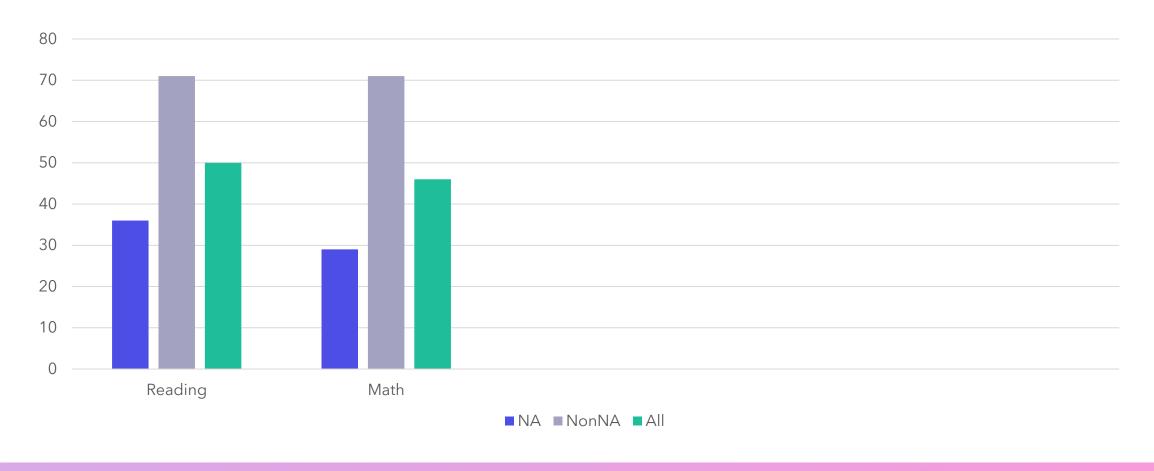
Title IV

- **•** \$10,000
- Mental health support through counseling

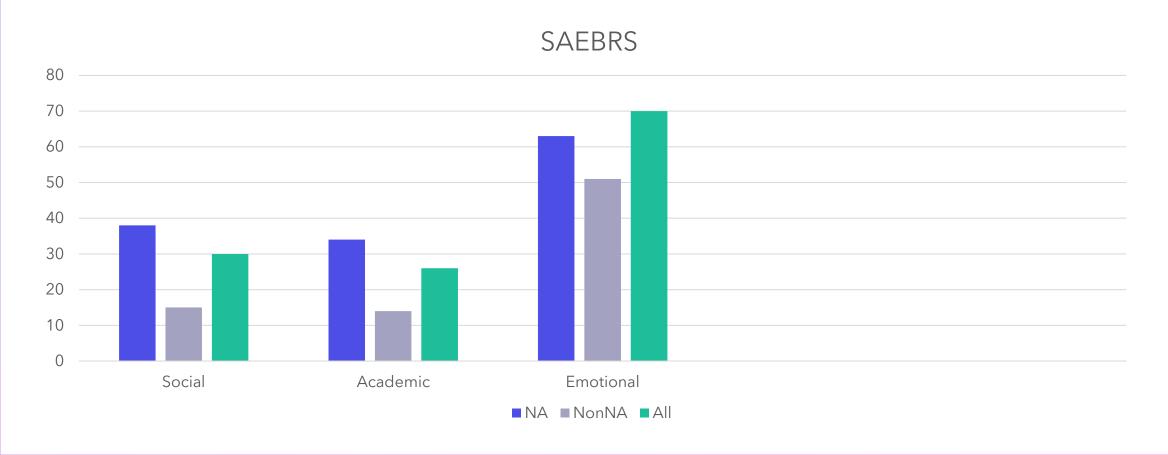
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- **\$40,94.22**
- Provide tutoring and interventions in reading and math to increase achievement in small groups and 1:1

Fastbridge Scores % at Grade Level



Fastbridge Scores % At Risk



Extra Curricular Participation 22-23

Event	# NA Students	Event	#NA Students
Football (CE & 6-7)	11	Spelling Bee	
Volleyball (CE & 6-8)	10	PT Conferences	
Boys basketball		Prairie Fire Theatre	
Girls basketball		Santa Days	
Comm.Ed. Wrestling		Band	20
Comm.Ed.Basketball		Choir	25
Track		Knowledge Bowl	2

Thank you!

Questions? Comments? Ideas?



