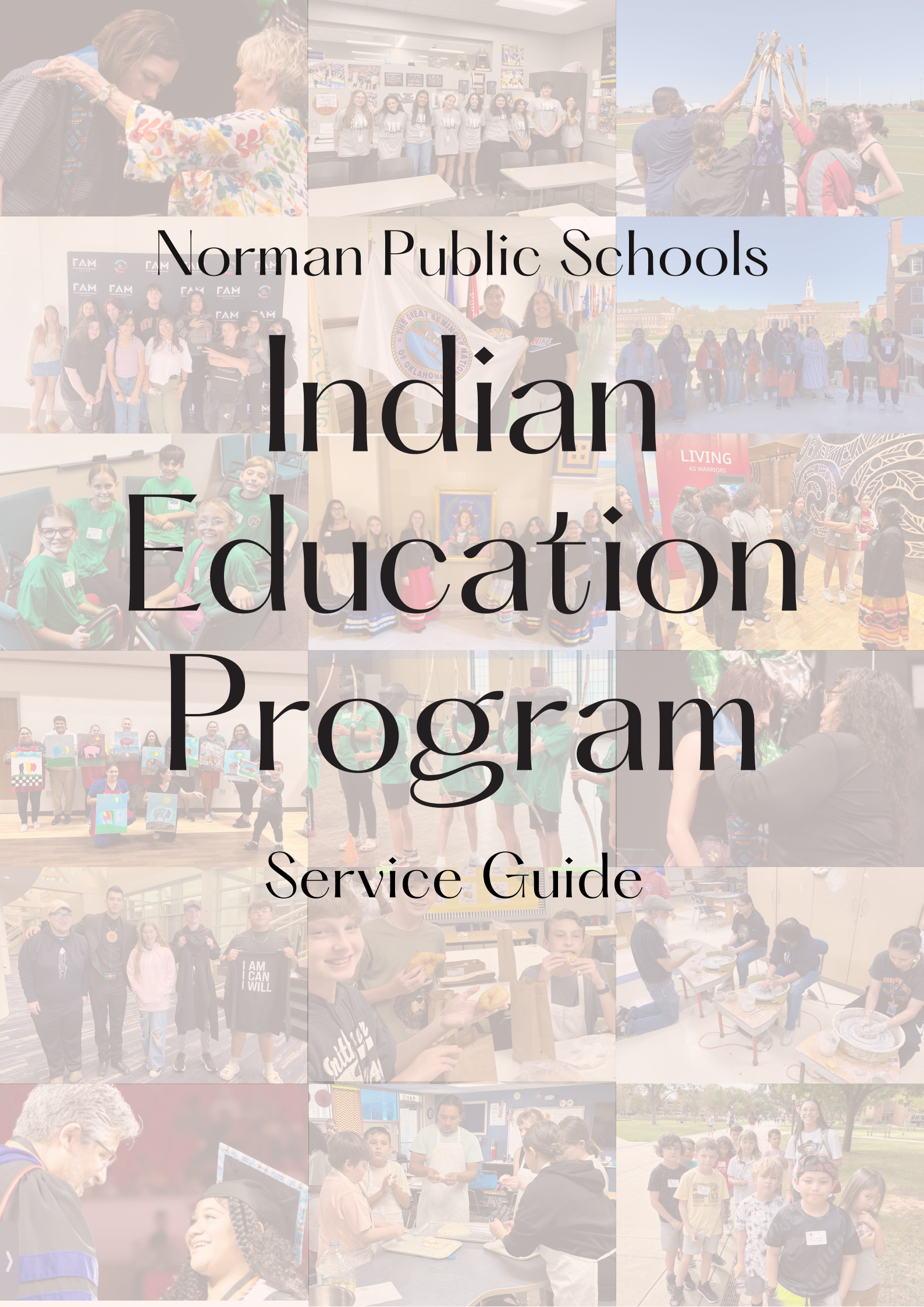
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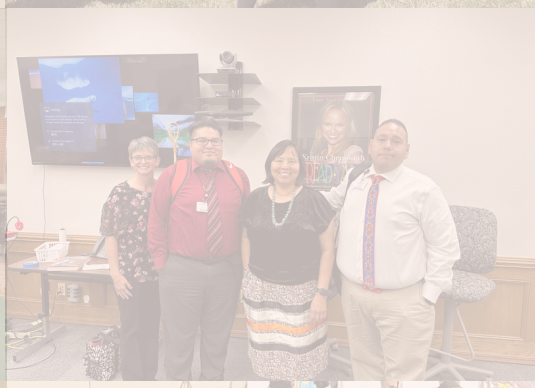
Indian Education Program

Service Guide








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LORDS OF THE PLAINS



The Plains Tribes
and the Great
merican Buffalo


I AM
I CAN
I WILL




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TIMBERWOLVES

CHALLENGE
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IOWA TRIBE





Yá'áh'tééh (Hello in Navajo)

Welcome to a new school year in Norman Public Schools and the Indian Education Program. Our goal is to serve Native students and our families well in our district. We hope our service guide helps answer some questions you may have.

The Indian Education Program receives funding to serve Native American students in Norman Public Schools from two federal sources to ensure Indian children receive educational opportunities that otherwise may not be provided. The Title VI Program is funded by the U.S. Department of Education and the Johnson–O'Malley Program is funded by the U.S. Department of the Interior. Services for both programs are guided by a parent committee and we invite you to join our parent meetings and events throughout the school year.

If you are new to NPS, welcome to our district! We look forward to providing services to your student this school year. If you have any questions, please contact our office. All inquiries and questions can be made to Lharjo2@normanps.org.

Lucyann Harjo

Coordinator of Indian Education

NORMAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Mission Statement

The Indian Education program provides paths that foster character, cultural awareness, and academic excellence in our students to empower them to reach their full potential to positively impact the world. Through integrity, culture, and community, our program maximizes district, community and tribal resources to serve students and families.

Land Acknowledgment

We recognize and acknowledge the people who inhabited these lands before the United States was established.

Long before the Norman Public School district and community were founded, the land on which our community now resides was the traditional homelands of the Caddo Nation and the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes. We acknowledge the territory once served as a hunting ground, trade exchange point, and area of migration for the Apache, Comanche, Kiowa, Quapaw, and Osage Nations. We acknowledge the Muscogee and Seminole Nations who were once assigned the land upon which our schools sit. We honor all tribes who have a historic relationship with the region.

Today, 39 distinct Tribal Nations reside in Oklahoma as a result of settler and colonial policies that were designed to assimilate Native people. We are as diverse culturally and linguistically as other nations found globally, and our histories and cultures are now interwoven into this community and country. The Choctaw people call the land "Okla–Homma", meaning "red people", the place we all now call home.

This acknowledgment is aligned with our core value of creating a diverse and inclusive community. It is an institutional responsibility to recognize and acknowledge the people, culture, and history that make up our community.



Funding Sources

Johnson–O'Malley

The Johnson–O'Malley program is a federally funded program under the Department of the Interior, whose main objective is to ensure American Indian children receive educational opportunities that would not otherwise be provided through the public school system.

ENROLLMENT CRITERIA

Enrollment requires tribal citizenship or documentation to receive services. How to obtain services are detailed hereafter.

Type of Tribal documentation:

- Tribal citizenship,
- CDIB (Certificate Degree of Indian Blood) that meets tribal enrollment blood quantum, or
- Documentation of total 1/4 degree of Indian blood.



Title VI

Title VI is a federally funded program under the U.S. Department of Education. The primary purpose of the program is to provide educational and culturally related services to Native American students enrolled in a public school. To participate, a student must have a completed enrollment form on file and tribal documentation. Once your child is enrolled in the Title VI program, he/she will remain enrolled until your child graduates or leaves the district.

ENROLLMENT CRITERIA

Enrollment requires a Title VI ED 506 form and it is available on the Indian Education Program website.

TRIBAL DOCUMENTATION

Parents/guardians are strongly encouraged to provide tribal citizenship or other tribal documentation. Tribal citizenship supersedes the CDIB.

Oklahoma Tribal Nations

Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians
2025 South Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801
405-275-4030

Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town
PO Box 646
Okemah, OK 74859

Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
PO Box 1330
Anadarko, OK 73005
405-247-9493

Caddo Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 487
Binger, OK 73009

Cherokee Nation
PO Box 948
Tahlequah, OK 74465
918-453-5058

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Oklahoma
100 Red Moon Circle
Concho, OK 73022
405-422-7733

Citizen Potawatomi Nation
1601 South Gordon Cooper Drive
Shawnee, OK 74801
405-275-3121

Comanche Nation
PO Box 908
Lawton, OK 73502
580-492-4988

Delaware Nation
PO Box 825
Anadarko, OK 73005

Delaware Tribe of Indians
5100 Tuxedo Blvd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
918-337-6590

Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
12755 South 705 Road
Wyandotte, OK 74370

Euchee (Yuchi) Tribe
Sapulpa, OK 74067

Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
43187 US Hwy 281
Apache, OK 73006
580-588-2298

Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma
335588 E. 750 Rd
Perkins, OK 74059
405-547-2402

Kaw Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 50
Kaw City, OK 74641

Kialegee Tribal Town
PO Box 332
Wetumka, OK 74883

Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma
PO Box 70
McLoud, OK 74851

Kiowa Indian Tribe of Oklahoma
PO Box 369
Carnegie, OK 73015

Miami Tribe of Oklahoma
3410 P Street
Miami, OK 74354

Modoc Nation
22 Eight Tribes Trail
Miami, OK 74354

Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, Oklahoma
8151 Highway 177
Red Rock, OK 74651

Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma
PO Box 110
Miami. OK 74355

Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 470
Pawnee, OK 74058

Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
PO Box 1527
Miami. OK 74355

Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
101 White Eagle Drive
Ponca City, OK 74601

Quapaw Nation
PO Box 765
Quapaw, OK 74363

Sac & Fox Nation, Oklahoma
920883 South Highway 99, Bldg. A
Stroud, OK 74079

Seneca-Cayuga Nation
23701 South 655 Road
Grove, OK 74344

Shawnee Tribe
PO Box 189
Miami, OK 74355

The Chickasaw Nation
PO Box 1548
Ada, OK 74820

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 1210
Durant, OK 74702

The Muscogee Nation
PO Box 580
Okmulgee, OK 74447

The Osage Nation
627 Grandview Avenue
Pawhuska, OK 74056

The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma
PO Box 1498
Wewoka, OK 74884

Thlopthlocco Tribal Town
PO Box 188
Okemah, OK 74859

Tonkawa Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
1 Rush Buffalo Road
Tonkawa, OK 74653

United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma
P.O. Box 746
Tahlequah, OK 74464

Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
PO Box 729
Anadarko, OK 73005

Wyandotte Nation
8 Turtle Drive
Wyandotte, OK 74370
918-678-2297

Program Goals

- Increase academic success and achievement
- Research and identify relevant academic and cultural opportunities
- Provide a website of resources for teachers for all grades
- Encourage parent participation
- Develop relationships with families
- Improve the graduation rate of American Indian students
- Improve communication between home and school
- Improve daily attendance
- Strengthen families
- Promote healthy lifestyles
- Improve college matriculation or post-secondary opportunities
- Connect families to tribal resources
- Increase cultural awareness opportunities for teachers in the district

Parent Committee

The Parent Committee helps plan and develop programs & services specifically designed to meet the unique educational and cultural needs of Native American students enrolled in the Norman Public Schools. All parent meetings are open to parents/guardians of enrolled students.

Parent Officers

Title VI
Vacant, Chairperson
Vacant, Vice Chairperson

Johnson-O'Malley
Kortni Torralba, Chairperson

Meeting Dates
TBD

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I enroll my child in the Indian Education Program?
Fill out a Title VI enrollment form and send the form and a copy of the tribal information to the Indian Education Office or email it to lharjo2@normanps.org.

What is an ED506 form?
This is the Title VI enrollment form and is the official record of eligibility for each student enrolled in the Title VI program.

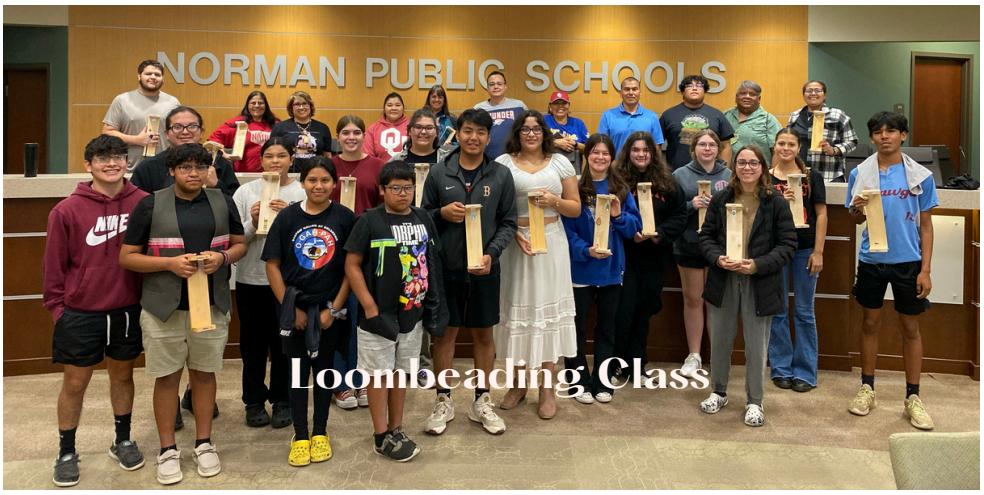
Who is eligible to enroll in the Indian Education Program?
If you, your child, or the student's grandparent(s) are an enrolled member of a federally or state–recognized Indian or Alaska Native tribe, then the student is eligible to enroll.

Where do I send the Title VI enrollment form?
Enrollment forms can be turned in to the school office. Request for the form to be sent to the Indian Education Office. Original Title VI enrollment forms are required for program records.

Our family does not need financial assistance, should we still fill out the Title VI application?
Yes, please. Student services are based on our student count, and the student count is based on enrollment forms received.

My child does not have tribal documentation, should I fill out the Title VI application?
Yes, parent or grandparent tribal documentation can be submitted for the child.

We live outside tribal boundaries, should we fill out a Title VI enrollment form?
Yes, students from the 574 federally recognized tribes and state–recognized tribes are eligible for services.



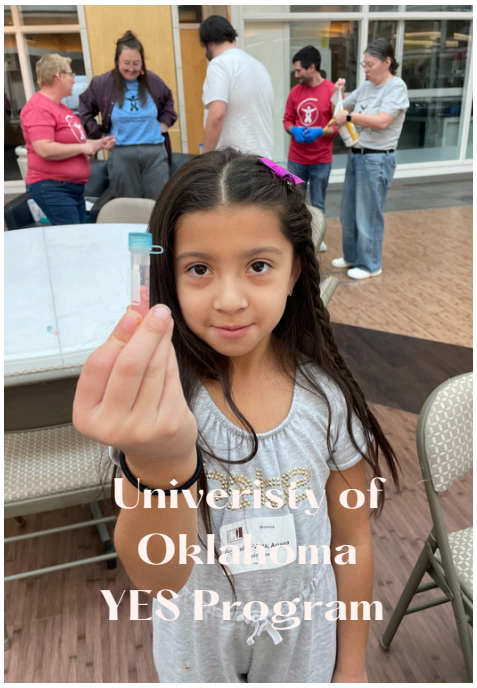
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Elementary Services


Chickasaw Nation Archery Tag


2nd Grade College Links Field Trip

- Site-based tutoring, focus on reading and math intervention
- School supplies
- 2nd Grade College Links field trip
- Cultural presentations and activities
- Muscogee Nation Challenge Bowl opportunity
- Sequoyah Club Mentorship program
- 4th Grade Sequoyah Battle of the Books reading competition


University of Oklahoma YES Program


Battle of the Books Champions Wilson Elementary


2nd Grade Link


Copper Etching

Middle School Services

- Site-based tutoring
- School supplies
- 7th grade College Links visit to OU
- 8th grade College Links visit to UCO
- Native Roots Middle School Clubs
- Cultural events and activities
- Middle School Rewards for academic excellence & attendance
- Oklahoma Indian Challenge Bowl competition
- Muscogee Nation Challenge Bowl competition
- Book clubs











Middle School Services



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Ribbon Skirt and Hand Drum Making



Hand Game


Hand Drum

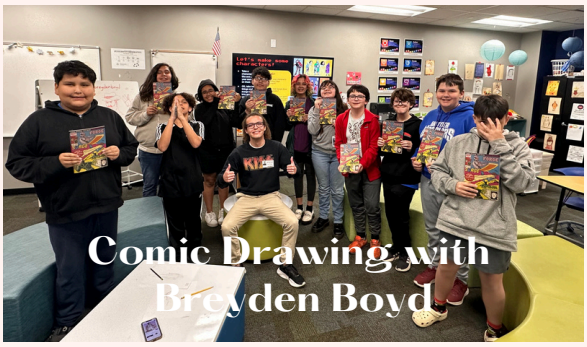


Middle School Rewards

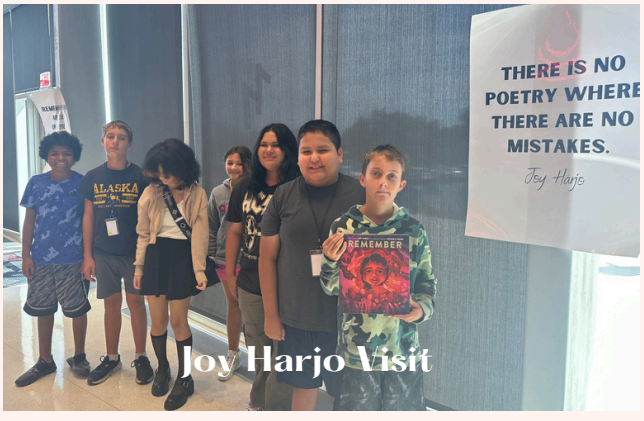

7th Grade College Link


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Basket Making


Comic Drawing with Breyden Boyd


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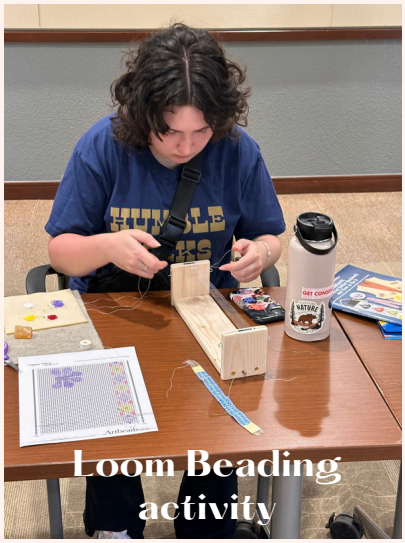


Joy Harjo Visit

High School Services



Senior Recognition Night


Loom Beading activity


Dimensions Academy Stickball


Ribbon Skirt making

- School supplies
- Site-based tutoring
- Advance Placement (AP) test fee scholarships
- ACT test prep class assistance
- ACT/SAT test fee scholarships
- College preparation advisement
- College campus tours
- College and career fair opportunities
- Financial Aid/Scholarships advisement
- Cap and Gown Scholarship, must be enrolled prior to December 1st of senior year
- Graphing calculator checkouts
- Senior Recognition Night


Native American Club Activity



Norman High Cultural Day



College Links


Indian Education Legislative Day


Noramn North Stickball

- Native American Club/Cultural Activities
- Oklahoma Indian Student Honor Society, Nominations begin in February and students will be contacted by the high school advisors
- Oklahoma Indian Challenge Bowl competition
- Muscogee Nation Challenge Bowl
- Oklahoma Council for Indian Education Legislative Day participation opportunity
- Updates on tribal services and important opportunity deadline reminders


OCIE Challenge Bowl



Indian Youth Career Day


Haskell Indian Nations University Visit



Norman North Club actvity

Teacher Resources

Cultural Class Presentations

Let us share one of our cultural activities or traveling trunks with your classroom!

Tribal Lesson Plans and Resources

Visit our website for accurate and authentic Indigenous lessons and resources aligned with our state standards.

Our Traveling Trunks include a slide show and authentic hands-on tribal artifacts to teach students the culture and history of our Oklahoma tribes.

If you'd like more information about signing up for one of our presentations or how to check out a trunk, contact Wendi Schovanec at Wendis2@normanps.org.


Buffalo Box


Chickasaw Nation Traveling Trunk



Muscogee Nation Traveling Trunk


Archery Tag


Stickball


Grape Dumplings Lincoln Elementary

Community Partnerships

Our partnership with the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board and the Native Roots grant program has afforded us the opportunity to host many student and community activities such as Family Cultural Nights and cultural opportunities for our middle and high school Native American clubs.

In partnership with the Norman First American United Methodist Church, we are proud to offer cultural Saturday Camps and activities that support all Norman Native American students.

Contact Information

Office number: (405) 366-5809

Office Staff

Program Coordinator: Lucyann Harjo	lharjo2@normanps.org
Secretary: Melody Thompson	melodyt@normanps.org
Student and Family Advocate: Patricia Valley	pvalley@normanps.org
Indian Education Specialist: Wendi Schovanec & Secondary Resource Advisor	wendis2@normanps.org

School Staff

Elementary Resource Advisor: Jamie McAlester	jmcalester@normanps.org
Elementary Resource Advisor: Tvlwv Moffer	tmoffer@normanps.org
Elementary Resource Advisor: Carrie Montgomery	cmontgomery4@normanps.org
Elementary Resource Advisor: Iliana Renova	irenova@normanps.org
Secondary Resource Advisor: Cordelia Falls Down.	cfallsdown@normanps.org
Secondary Resource Advisor: Zachary Grimes	zgrimes@normanps.org
Secondary Resource Advisor: Sariah Johnson	sariahj@normanps.org



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