# KICHARDSON ISD PRESENTS ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER **HERITAGE MONTH**

**MAY 2023** 

### **Courageous Conversation** "In Their Own Words: The Diverse Perspective of Being Asian in America"

Staff members are invited to join us for a wide-ranging discussion from local AAPI staff, students, and leaders about culture, heritage, and issues impacting AAPI communities.

Richardson ISD's Grow Conference (STAFF ONLY) Thursday, June 1, 2023 **Berkner High School** 

Register for the Grow Conference:

s.risd.org/GROW23registration

# Video Series The Power of Story: The Value of Visibility

Stories are powerful. They connect, inspire, and shape our understanding of the world. Sharing our stories makes us visible, creating empathy and compassion. In this video series, AAPI staff discuss the importance of inclusion and visibility, profile people who've inspired them, and share advice for students and staff. Follow @RISD\_Equity to

# Summer Districtwide Challenge Visit DFW Chinatown in Richardson

Did you know that Richardson is home to one of the largest Chinatown community centers in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex? Just a few blocks from the RISD Administration Building, DFW Chinatown is a major destination for Asian food, shopping, and events for our area. It includes the Dallas Chinese Community Center, founded in 1985, and it's the first organization established by Asian community members in North Texas. Tweet us @RISD\_Equity and #RISDHonorsHeritage to share your pictures and reflections



Learn About and Visit DFW Chinatown: dfwchinatown.com | 400 N. Greenville Ave., Richardson, TX 75081

Staff members who visit can receive 1.5 hours of professional learning credit for the 2023-24 school year. Staff must complete a Google Form and upload a picture - which includes both the staff member and the historical marker as proof of the visit. Staff submissions due August 14, 2023.

Reflection Questions: <u>s.risd.org/dfwctreflect</u> | Staff Reflection Form: <u>s.risd.org/dfwctform</u>

#### Resources

- Campus morning announcements: s.risd.org/announceAAPI
- Weekly district celebrations via social media and district websites.
- Connecting Cultures resources centering Asian American Pacific Islander for classroom and campus use are available.
- Check campus websites and newsletters for campus-specific activities and events from campus equity teams.

#### Friday Themes that Teach:

Each Friday, a Richardson ISD staff member or campus will give us a glimpse of their native country and cultures. Learn and follow along on Twitter at @RISD\_Equity and #RISDHonorsHeritage.

Friday, May 5

view the videos.

A Glimpse of Burma by Mr. Han

Teacher, Big Springs Elementary

Friday, May 12

A Glimpse of South Korea by Ms. Zo

Area Academic Facilitator

Friday, May 19

A Glimpse from Northrich **Elementary (Part I)** 

Friday, May 26

A Glimpse from Northrich **Elementary (Part 2)** 

