

RICHARDSON ISD PRESENTS YOUR TICKET TO:

NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Courageous Conversation Spread the Word: Celebrating Indigenous Cultures Through Oral Histories and Storytelling

Join us virtually as invited guests and staff discuss and share experiences and convey the importance of elevating Indigenous voices, stories, and histories in schools.

Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023 from 5:15 - 6:30 p.m.

Virtual link will be emailed to participants at noon on Nov. 29.

PRE-VIDEO: s.risd.org/nahmprevid



Register by scanning the QR code
or visiting:

s.risd.org/nahmccreg

Resources

- Campus morning announcements:
s.risd.org/announcenahm
- Connecting Cultures resources centering Native American Heritage Month for classroom and campus use are available.
- Campus Equity Teams are planning campus-specific learning experiences throughout the month, so check campus websites and newsletters for future announcements.

Districtwide Challenge:

Visit McKamy Spring

Did you know the McKamy Spring, located near the RISD Administration building, was used as a watering place for many indigenous peoples, including the Yoiuane tribe of the Caddo, as early as 1690? This month, we challenge staff, students, and families to visit the Spring, read and reflect about its history, and tweet us @RISD_Equity and #RISDHonorsHeritage to share your pictures and reflections. **Reflection questions for your visit at: s.risd.org/mckamyreflect**



McKamy Spring
644 Brick Row
Richardson TX 75081
32° 56.537' N, 96° 44.135' W

Land Acknowledgment at s.risd.org/landack

What is a land acknowledgment? This is a formal statement that recognizes and respects Native American and Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land that Richardson ISD envelops and the enduring relationship that exists between Native American and Indigenous Peoples and their traditional lands. It is important to understand the long-standing history that has brought us to reside on the land and to seek to understand our place within that history. This is also a traditional practice of Native American and Indigenous peoples. On Nov. 30, RISD campuses can choose to include the land acknowledgment in their campus-wide announcements.



Staff members who visit can receive one hour of professional learning credit. 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 reflection form at: s.risd.org/mckamyform**

Friday Themes that Teach:

Each Friday, join us on X (formerly known as Twitter) at @RISD-Equity as we learn about different Indigenous tribes and nations that stewarded the land that became Richardson ISD. To learn about the original Indigenous peoples of your area, enter your zip code at native-land.ca.

This map does not represent definitive or legal boundaries of any Indigenous nation, and we acknowledge the many logistical and ethical questions that come with mapping Indigenous territories. We hope this tool serves to spark curiosity to learn more about the Indigenous histories of the lands around us.



Friday, Nov. 3

Jumanos

Friday, Nov. 10

Kiikaapoi

Friday, Nov. 17

Tawakoni

Friday, Nov. 24

Wichita



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