

NEWSLETTER

May 2024



Let's capture April's happenings!

Wow! I cannot believe it's almost time for graduation and summertime! Congratulations to all the graduates!

Thank you to all who purchased a NASA t-shirt. We are doing a 50/50 raffle to raise money for end-of-the-year activities for our NASA seniors. Please see a NASA student to purchase. The raffle ends May 3rd.

During the April Parent Meeting, we discussed future fundraisers, Title VI grants, stoles, end-of-the-school-year activities, and holding a summertime stomp dance. Our next parent meeting is scheduled for May 9th @ 5:30 behind the elementary library. Please join us!

The Middle School NASA attended a field trip to the Sam Noble Museum. Thank you to our Absentee Shawnee Tribe Partners for sponsoring our field trip.

The High School NASA field trip was, unfortunately, canceled. The NASA Banquet will be held on May 3rd at the Absentee Shawnee Tribe's Multi-Purpose Building from 6-8 pm. This is only for the students who completed the Stole survey. The elementary experienced a story and several dances from the Choctaw Nation cultural department. We appreciate them coming to do this for us!

May News and Events

- May 3-NASA Banquet for those who completed the survey previously sent out. 6-8 pm location was sent to your emails.
- May 5- Class of 2024 Baccalaureate Ceremony at Aydelotte Baptist Church, 6 PM
- May 10 - MS NASA Meeting! This will be our last meeting of the year!
- May 8-HS NASA Meeting! This will be our last meeting of the year!
- May 10- Senior Trip
- May 15- Senior Sunset-football field 7 pm
- May 16- Senior breakfast at 9 am and graduation ceremony at 6 pm

Good luck to all archery students on their journey to Kentucky!

Please check out our website www.nrcps.org for the latest updates on all events.

High School Students:

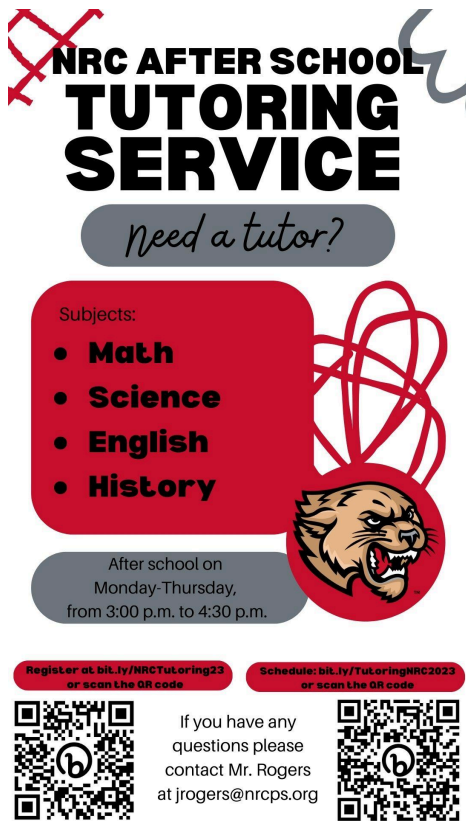
- Take advantage of our TEDNA program. The TEDNA Program assists with college and career readiness, helps with Chrome books, iPads, internet devices, ACT/AP testing, and much more. If you still need to sign up and would like to, please contact Ms. Hinton.
- If you have not already, join our Native American Student Association(NASA). We meet on the 2nd Friday of every month in Mrs. Cox's Room in the PAWD. Check Google Classroom or announcements for any updates.
- If you haven't joined our Native American Education Google classroom, please let me know, and I will help you.
- Ms. Hinton can be reached through email, Google Classroom, or in person every other day during lunches. chinton@nrcps.org
- Do you need help with any of your classes and need extra help? North Rock Creek offers after-school tutoring. See the flier below!
- FAFSA has opened up. Please contact me or your counselor if you need any assistance.
- Seniors- please help us design stoles for graduation. You can send them to my email or see your student rep, Mrs. Kubiak, or Mrs. Cox.

Middle School Students:

- If you have not already, join our Native American Student Association (NASA). We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month in Coach Roger's Room @ 12:12 in the

PAWD. Check Google Classroom or announcements for any updates. (Always check in with your teacher first)

- If you haven't joined our Native American Education Google Classroom, please let me know, and I will help you take care of that.
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NRC AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING SERVICE

need a tutor?

Subjects:

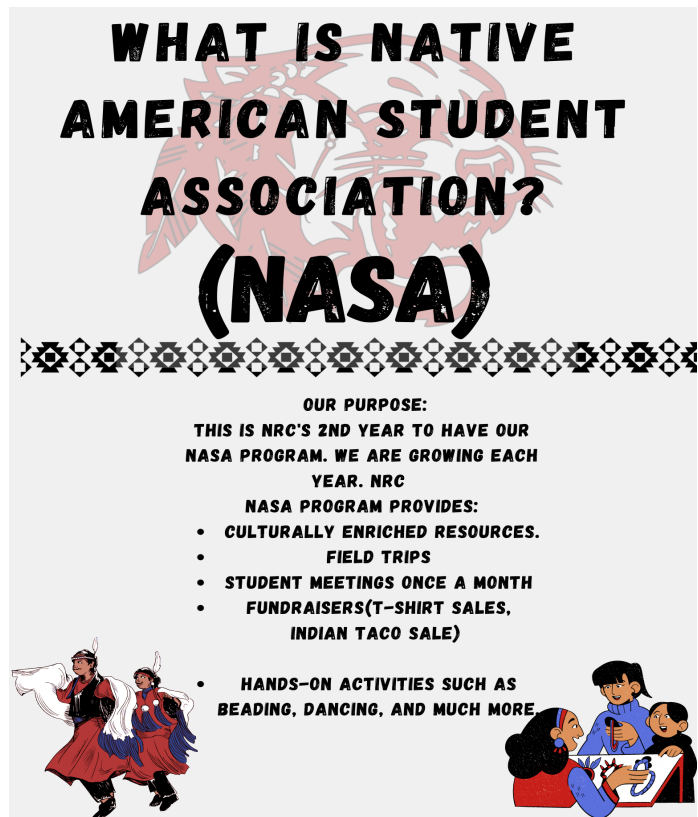

- **Math**
- **Science**
- **English**
- **History**

After school on Monday-Thursday, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Register at bit.ly/NRCTutoring23 or scan the QR code

Schedule: bit.ly/TutoringNRC2023 or scan the QR code

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Rogers at jrogers@nrcps.org

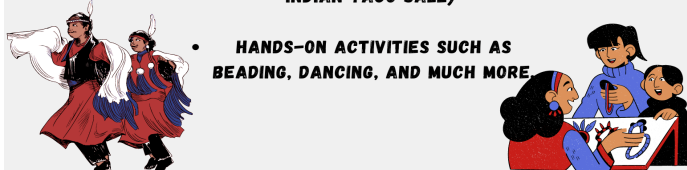


WHAT IS NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION? (NASA)

OUR PURPOSE:
THIS IS NRC'S 2ND YEAR TO HAVE OUR NASA PROGRAM. WE ARE GROWING EACH YEAR. NRC

NASA PROGRAM PROVIDES:

- CULTURALLY ENRICHED RESOURCES.
- FIELD TRIPS
- STUDENT MEETINGS ONCE A MONTH
- FUNDRAISERS (T-SHIRT SALES, INDIAN TACO SALE)
- HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES SUCH AS BEADING, DANCING, AND MUCH MORE



Summer Driver Education forms are available in the HS office.

JOM Application- Please complete this during your enrollment process.

<https://www.sacandfoxnation-nsn.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/JOM.pdf> and <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf> (All forms must be complete and there is an approval and payment process)

College/Career/Scholarships Resources

Stay tuned for the December launch date of the 2024–25 FAFSA® form! Get ready for a revamped FAFSA experience and a smoother application process. Learn more about updates to the FAFSA form: [StudentAid.gov/decemberfafsa](https://studentaid.gov/decemberfafsa)

<https://okpromise.org/>

ucango2

<https://www.ucango2.org/Scholarships.html>

American Indian College Fund

www.collegefund.org

Native Forward

www.nativeforward.org

[College and Career Tribe Specific](#)

Intermediate

- May 3rd-MS Spirit Squad Tryouts 5-7 pm.
- May 3rd-Little Olympics at Shawnee HS.
- May 5th-Baccalaureate Ceremony.
- BOGO BOOK FAIR is May 6 - 10.
- May 9th-PTO Fun Day.
- Senior Walk-Through @ 8:15
- May 9th-11th- Archery Nationals in Louisville Kentucky.
- May 13th-Intermediate Field Trip to Lazer Zone.
- May 15th-Intermediate Awards Assembly 11:00 am Secondary Gym.

Elementary

- BOGO BOOK FAIR is May 6 - 10.
- May 9- Senior Walk-Through @ 8:15 AM
- May 10- PTO Fun Day
- May 13- Kindergarten Graduation at 9:30 in the Secondary Gym
- May 14- PreK Awards Assembly at 8:30 in the Elementary Gym
- May 15- 1st-4th Grade Awards Assemblies 8:30-10:30 in the Secondary Gym



AST ASP Summer Program
 For Age's 6-12
 Fun & Creative Indoor & Outdoor Activities

June 3rd-August 2nd
 at ASP Building
 2025 S. Gordon Cooper Dr.
 Shawnee, OK 74801

Activities:

- Movies
- Field Trips
- Arts & Craft
- Fun Games
- Cultural Activities
- Splash Pad
- & MORE!!!

Request an Application
 Deadline to submit App: April 30th 2024

For more information:
 ASTAfterSchool@astribe.com
 Call 405.275.4030

AST & Native Children with CDIB have first preference.



ABSENTEE SHAWNEE 477 & EDUCATION CLASS OF 2024
Graduation Banquet

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF CELEBRATION AT OUR GRADUATION BANQUET

SATURDAY JUNE 1, 2024
 1:00PM TO 4:00PM
 AST MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING
 2029 JAMES L EDWARDS LANE
 SHAWNEE, OK 74801

Banquet is ONLY for AST & Active 477 Participants that Graduated from High School, College or Vocational School.

Graduate will be allowed to bring ONLY two guests. (Please RSVP, must have tickets to attend)
 Please dress in business or traditional attire.

Please RSVP before May 20, 2024
 405.275.4030 Ext. 3639 or Ext. 3536

Submit a photo of your graduate to 477program@astribe.com to include in slideshow!

Note from Ms. Hinton

I have received many missing 506 forms and/or CDIB cards - thank you to all the families that responded with the documents needed! I still have a few missing. I will not send any letters out for May. Please note that if you have not completed this, please do so during enrollment time. The CDIB copy can be a parent or grandparents for Title VI purposes. This information keeps us compliant and helps me connect with the students and meet everyone's needs.

506 Form

Thank you for a great year! I hope everyone has a safe and fun summer. I cannot wait to see all the great things next school year will bring. If anything should arise throughout the summer, please feel free to email me chinton@nrcps.org

1255 total students in our district

408 total Native students: 21 Tribes Represented

192	Elementary
40	Intermediate
44	Middle School
132	High School

Cherokee Cornmeal Flapjacks

2 handfuls cornmeal

2 fingers salt

1/4 cup boiling water

2 fingers of salt is a measurement for dry ingredients. Hold two fingers close together. Dip in salt (or whatever dry material you are using.) Lift out what you can catch with two fingers and your thumb without turning your hand.

Directions: Mix the cornmeal and salt together.

Add to the boiling water and make a stiff dough.

Flour your hands, then make the dough into balls and flatten the balls between your hands.

Dip one of your hands in cold water.

Rub the cake on one side lightly to make it smooth.

Fry on the griddle for 10 minutes on each side.

Serve hot.