ANOKA-HENNEPIN INDIAN EDUCATION In a Nutshell

How do students join the program?

Students who identify as having Native American Heritage on their enrollment paperwork are automatically enrolled in the program. Families have the opportunity to opt-out if they wish.

What does Indian Education do?

- Elementary Support
- Secondary Support
- Family/Community Support
- Additional Program Support
- Staff/District Support

Who is Indian Education?

- 1 (one) Program Coordinator
- 2 (two) Elementary Advisors
- 5 (five) Secondary Advisors
- 1,000+ Native American Students in the district supported by the program!



Elementary Support

each advisor supports around 230 students on average

- 2 cultural groups each month
- Act as a liaison between staff/school and families as needed
- Attend meetings including, but not limited to: student IEP, disciplinary, MTSS/SST, or any other general concerns that may occur
- Collaborate with building staff and students to create a presence of and safe space for our Native American Students

Elementary Advisors do not monitor grades/attendance/behavior. School staff should contact the advisors if there are concerns and/or when they themselves are struggling to connect with the family.

Secondary Support

each advisor supports around 90-120 students on average

- Monthly Cultural Group
- Monitor grades, attendance, and behavior
- Provide individual and group support to build skill sets for success: time management, self-care, goal setting ,etc.
- Guide & assist with College & Career Preparation
- Attend meetings including, but not limited to: student IEP, disciplinary, MTSS/SST, or any other general concerns that may occur
- Collaborate with building staff and students to create a presence of and safe space for our Native American Students

Family/Community Support

- Bridge between home and school / general advocacy
- Connecting family with school and community resources
- Family Engagement & Student Recognition Events
- Cultural Events & Classes

Staff/District Support

Additional Program Support

- Cultural Field Trips
- College Visits
- Guest Speakers
- Scholarships for tutoring and ACT prep
- Connecting students/families with summer programming opportunities
- Answer questions & advise staff re: Culturally relevant/appropriate curriculum, lessons, and activities
- Provide Professional Develop in building and District Wide
- Collaborate with District Curriculum Teams
- Connect teachers with culturally appropriate resources and information **contact information on page 2**

The Purpose of the Anoka-Hennepin Indian Education program is to encourage and inspire academic achievement, social and emotional development and cultural awareness of our American Indian students. The program will serve as a resource to review and recommend accurate curriculum; and to promote cultural diversity between community, staff and students.

Mindy Meyers, Waapishki Kiisis Ikwe

Indian Education Program Coordinator mindy.meyers@ahschools.us | 763-506-1186

Elementary Schools

**Exception: River Trail Learning Students fall under the Andover/Alternative School Cluster

ELEMENTARY CLUSTER 1

MacKenzie Miettinen

mackenzie.miettinen@ahschools.us

- 763-506-1342
- Andover Elementary
- Brookside Elementary
- Champlin Brooklyn Park Academy
- Crooked Lake Elementary
- Dayton Elementary
- Evergreen Park Elementary
- Franklin Elementary
- Lincoln Elementary
- Monroe Elementary
- Oxbow Creek Elementary
- Ramsey Elementary
- Rum River Elementary
- Wilson Elementary

ELEMENTARY CLUSTER 2

Tonya Flower

tonya.miettinen@ahschools.us

- 763-506-1172
- Adams Elementary
- Eisenhower Elementary
- Hamilton Elementary
- Hoover Elementary
- Jefferson Elementary
- Johnsville Elementary
- Madison Elementary
- McKinley Elementary
- Mississippi Elementary
- Morris Bye Elementary
- Sand Creek Elementary
- Sunrise Elementary
- University Elementary

Secondary Schools

ANDOVER/ALTERNATIVE CLUSTER

Nicole Beane, Tibikigiizisookwe nicole.beane@ahschools.us 763-506-1071

- Andover High School
- Anoka-Hennepin Regional High School
- Anoka-Hennepin Technical High School
- Bridges
- Compass Programs
- Oak View Middle School
- Pathways
- River Trail Learning Center
 - Including RTLC Elementary
- Teen Pregnancy Program

ANOKA CLUSTER TBA-Current Support Listed Below

- Anoka High School- Nicole Beane
- Anoka Middle School Fredmoore Campus- *TBA*
- Anoka Middle School Washington Campus- *MacKenzie Miettinen*

BLAINE CLUSTER

Hannah Andrusko-Starks

hannah.andruskostark@ahschools.us

763-506-1281

- Blaine High School
- Northdale Middle School
- Roosevelt Middle School

CHAMPLIN CLUSTER

TBA-Please contact Program Coordinator for support

- Champlin High School
- Jackson Middle School

COON RAPIDS CLUSTER

Kristin Caligiuri

kristin.caligiuri@ahschools.us 763-506-1280

- Coon Rapids High School
- Coon Rapids Middle School