



2022-2023 American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC) Report to the School Board

February 21, 2023



Mission Statement

Mankato Area Public Schools
is committed to working together
equitably, with families and communities,
so that each learner has the knowledge
and skills to be a successful and
contributing citizen in a diverse global
society.

Commitment and Values

Visibly Inclusive
Intentionally Equitable
Actively Anti-racist
Committed to Excellence
Accountable for Results



What is MN American Indian Education Aid?

- **The American Indian Education Aid program is administered by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and provides per-pupil funding to districts, charter schools, and tribal schools that report an American Indian student count of 20 or more on the October 1 MARSS reporting deadline.**
- **Districts with 10 or more American Indian students require an American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC).**
- **The AIPAC issues a Vote of Concurrence annually.**



Grant Goal Areas

- **Support postsecondary preparation for pupils**
- **Support the academic achievement of American Indian students**
- **Make curriculum relevant to the needs, interests, and cultural heritage of American Indian pupils**
- **Provide positive reinforcement of the self-image of American Indian pupils**
- **Develop intercultural awareness among pupils, parents and staff**



Activities of AIPAC and MAPS partnership

- **AIPAC Events**
- **Part time American Indian Liaison**
- **Part time American Indian Program Specialist**
- **Indigenous People's Day**
- **College visit opportunities**
- **Peer Mentoring**
- **Fitness Club**
- **Elementary Programming**
- **Improve graduation rate**



Vote of Concurrence Statement

We, the American Indian Parent Advisory Committee, issue a Vote of Concurrence. We attest that the school board and/or district are compliant with Minnesota Statutes and that the school board and/or district are meeting the needs of American Indian students.



Thank you

Questions?