COMMUNITY RESOURCES

DENVER INDIAN HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES (DIFHS)
2880 W Holden Pl, Denver, CO 80204
303.953.6600 | www.DIHFS.info

Denver’s only Urban Indian Health program providing culturally appropriate healthcare for American Indian families and individuals. Services include medical, behavioral, vision, dental, and family. DIFHS also offers a diabetes clinic and wellness gym.

DENVER INDIAN FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER (DIFRC)
1633 Fillmore St GL2a, Denver, CO 80206
720.500.1020 | www.DIFRC.org

Works together with families and other agencies to help promote responsible healing by restoring balance, nurturing pride and recognizing the extended family and community. Programs and services include intensive case management, resource and referral, Indian Child Welfare Advocacy, and behavioral health. DIFRC also offers a domestic violence support group, relapse prevention group, a nurturing parent program, teen life skills and cooking matters classes.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES (con’t)

DENVER INDIAN CENTER, INC. (DICI)
4407 Morrison Rd., Denver, CO 80219
303.936.2688
www.DenverIndianCenter.org

The mission of the Denver Indian Center, Inc. is to “empower our youth, families and community through self-determination, cultural identity and education.” The Center offers a Youth Program, an Elder Program, a Fatherhood Program and a Native Workforce Program. The DICI also offers food assistance, cultural events and other resources.

CONTACT US

To learn more about our program, feel free to contact Rose McGuire at 720.423.2042 or via e-mail at RoseMarie_McGuire@dpsk12.org.

Our offices are located at Denver Public School’s Emily Griffith Campus at 1860 Lincoln St. on the 8th floor.

NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT SUPPORT PROGRAM (NASSP)
THE HISTORY OF OUR PROGRAM

In 1972, the Indian Education Act was established to support the efforts of local educational agencies to meet the educational, cultural and academic needs of American Indian students.

PROGRAM GOAL

The goal of our program is to partner with schools and families to eliminate the disparity in graduation and dropout rates for Native American students and to prepare them for post-secondary education or careers.

THE HISTORY OF OUR PROGRAM

In 1972, the Indian Education Act was established to support the efforts of local educational agencies to meet the educational, cultural and academic needs of American Indian students.

HOW OUR PROGRAM WORKS

The Native American Student Support Program (NASSP) provides services designed to help students achieve and be successful in Denver Public Schools. We do this by delivering comprehensive supports that reduce student isolation, enhance parent engagement and provide culturally responsive approaches. Through this, we ensure the needs of Native students are met.

OUR ROLE IN YOUR SCHOOL

- Collaborate with teachers, administrators, support staff, and families to develop and implement opportunities and interventions
- Facilitate the development and implementation of culturally responsive approaches in schools
- Coordinate and supplement educational, and social emotional services for students and families
- Engage parents in their child’s educational program
- Implement experiential learning activities
- Provide support to promote responsible decision making

In June of 2014, NASSP received an award from Denver Public Schools for Living and Embodying the DPS Shared Cored Values of Students First and Equity.

TEACHING LAKOTA

In 2007, NASSP launched Lakota language courses in four schools. For the 2017-18 school year, Lakota will be offered at East High School and DCIS High School. Contact us to learn about Lakota Language at your school.