

**WINNER SCHOOL DISTRICT 59-2
OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD POLICY**



LAKOTA CULTURAL AWARENESS POLICY

The population of the Winner School District includes Native American students affiliated with the Rosebud Sioux Indian Reservation. To help students learn to appreciate the cultural differences and similarities of this population base, the Winner School District will provide Lakota Cultural Awareness within the K-12 curriculum.

The following is the Winner School District plan to address Lakota Cultural Awareness:

- A. Lakota Cultural Awareness will be presented throughout the 4th grade South Dakota History class curriculum.
- B. Within the 7th grade Social Studies class, there will be a separate Lakota Cultural Awareness Unit.
- C. Within the 11th grade American History class, there will be a separate Lakota Cultural Awareness Unit.
- D. Within the 12th grade Government class, there will be a separate Lakota Cultural Awareness Unit on Tribal Government.
- E. Lakota Studies will be offered as an elective class for credit for any 9-12 grade student.
- F. The Winner School District will work with RSTED to create a Lakota Club.
- G. All Winner School District teaching staff will be encouraged to integrate Lakota Cultural Awareness into their daily lessons whenever feasible.
- I. K-12 Lakota Cultural Awareness general assembly programs will be scheduled by school administration whenever appropriate.

Examples: October – Native American Day
 November – National American Heritage Month
 April – Earth Week

- J. Lakota Drum Group will present “Honor Song” at High School Graduation in May