

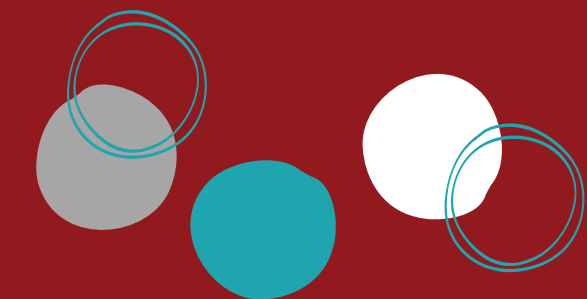




# 240 Students

*"Native Group gives me a sense of belonging"*

-RAHS Student







# Program Goals

## **MN Dept of American Indian Education**

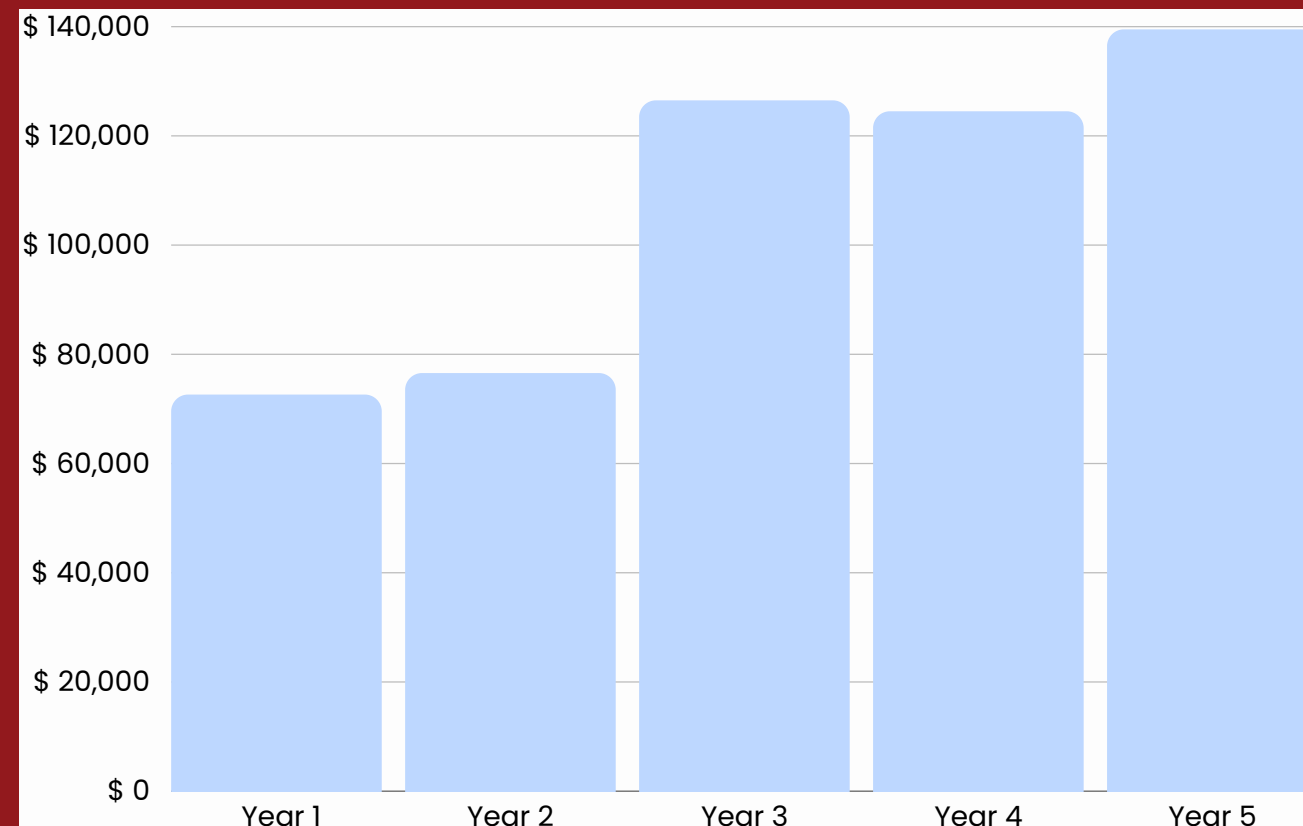
- Support postsecondary preparation and academic achievement
- Make curriculum relevant to the needs, interests, and cultural heritage of American Indian pupils
- Positive reinforcement of self-image
- Develop intercultural awareness among pupils, parents, and staff

## **Title VI- Indian Education**

- Increase knowledge of cultural identity
- Student advocacy and leadership
- Increased Cultural Awareness
- Culturally Responsive Academic Enrichment

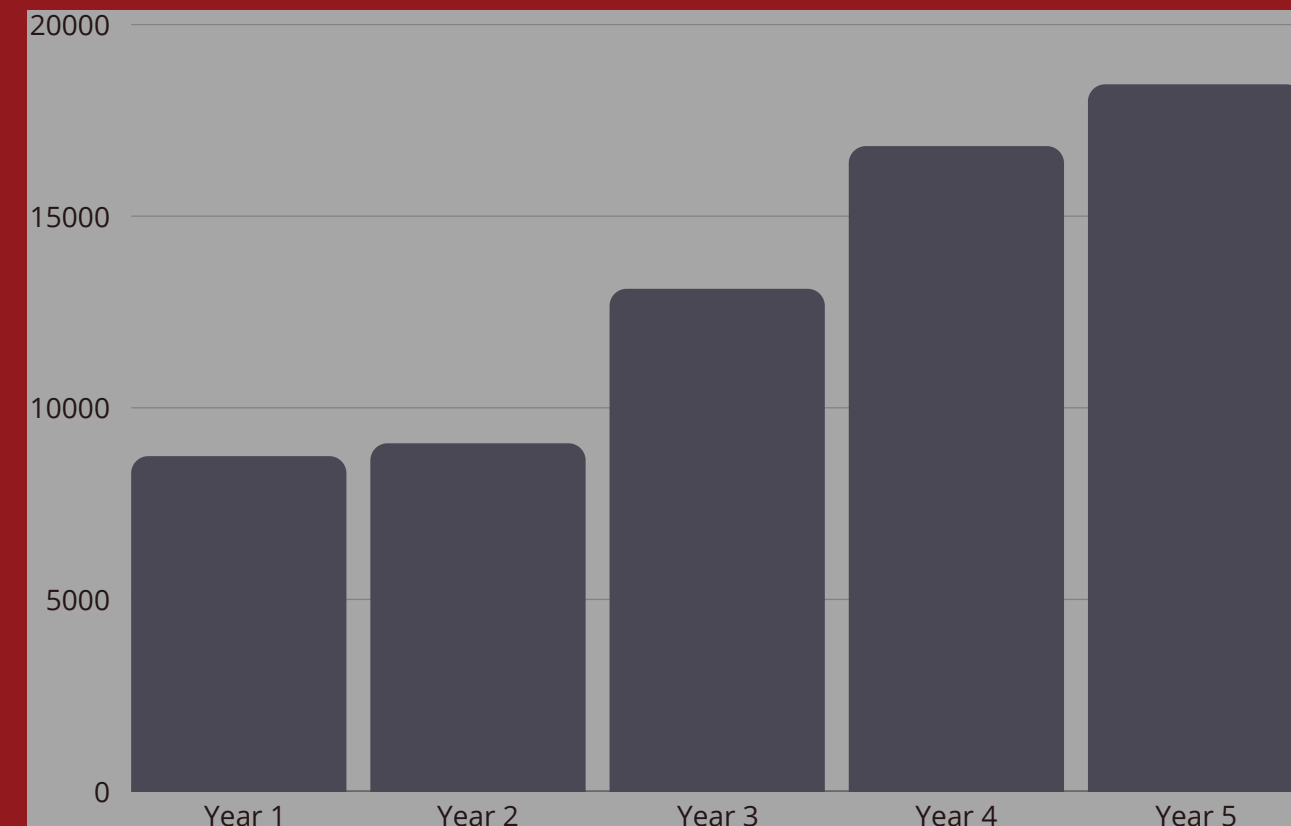


# Funding Sources



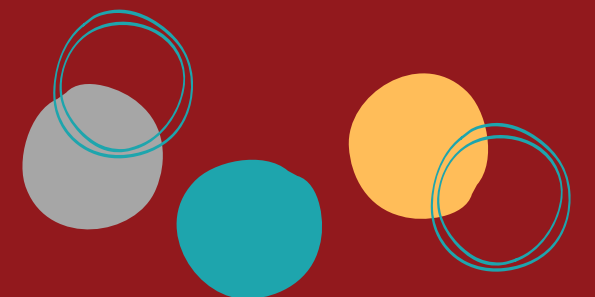
## MN Dept of American Indian Education

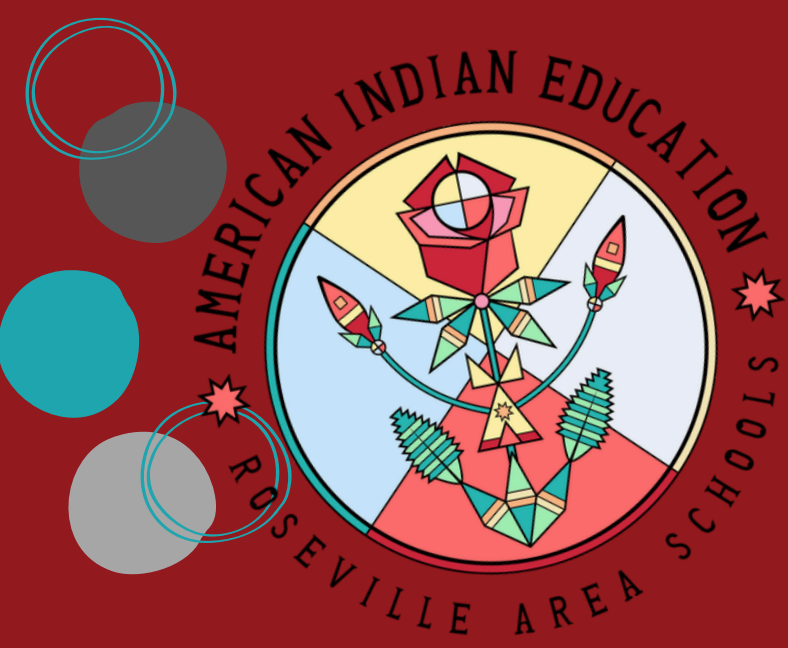
- American Indian Education Aid
- Twenty American Indian students generate a base award of \$40,000, and each American Indian student beyond that generates an additional \$500.



## Title VI- Indian Education

- Department of Indian Education
- 506 forms

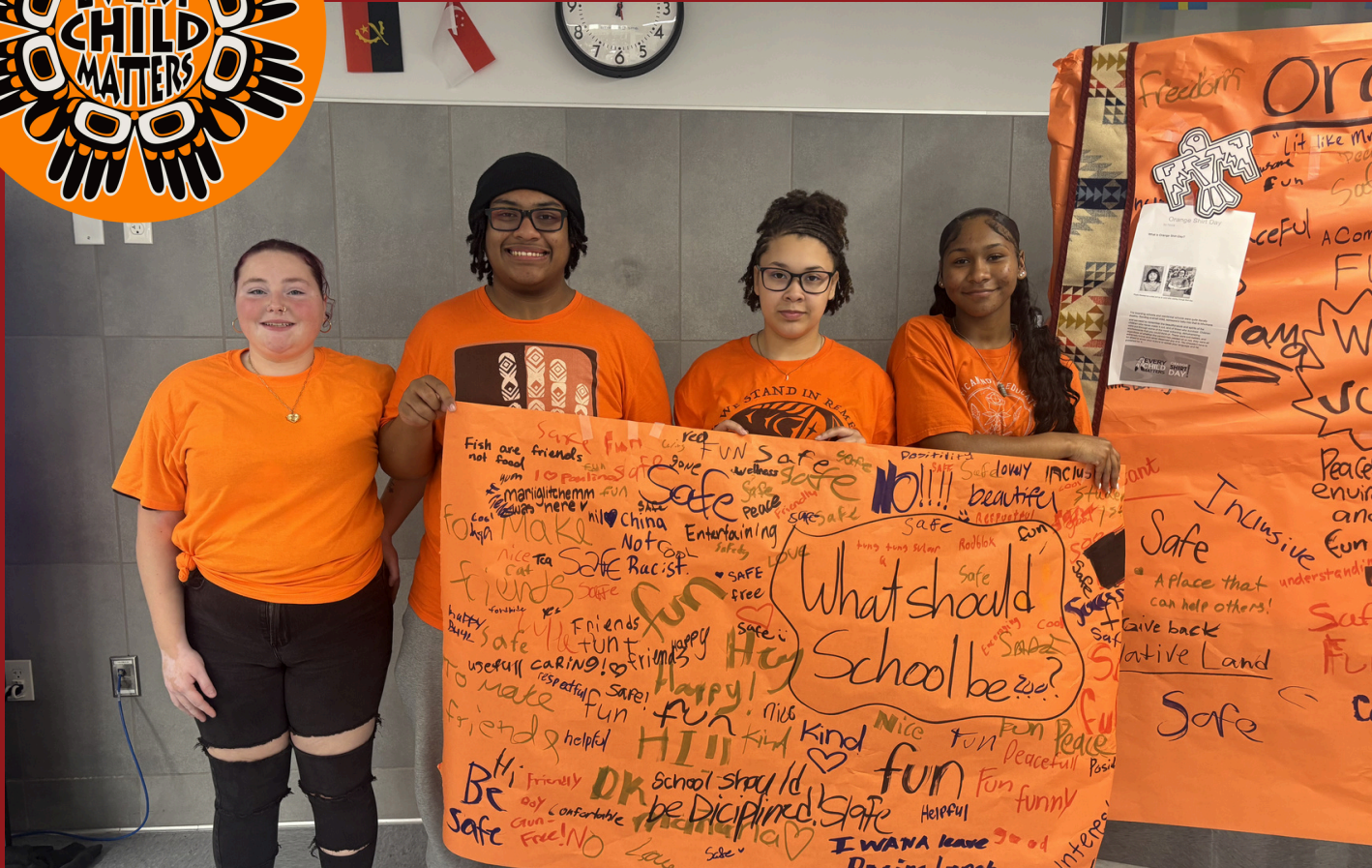




# RAS American Indian Education Program

# 5 Year Review

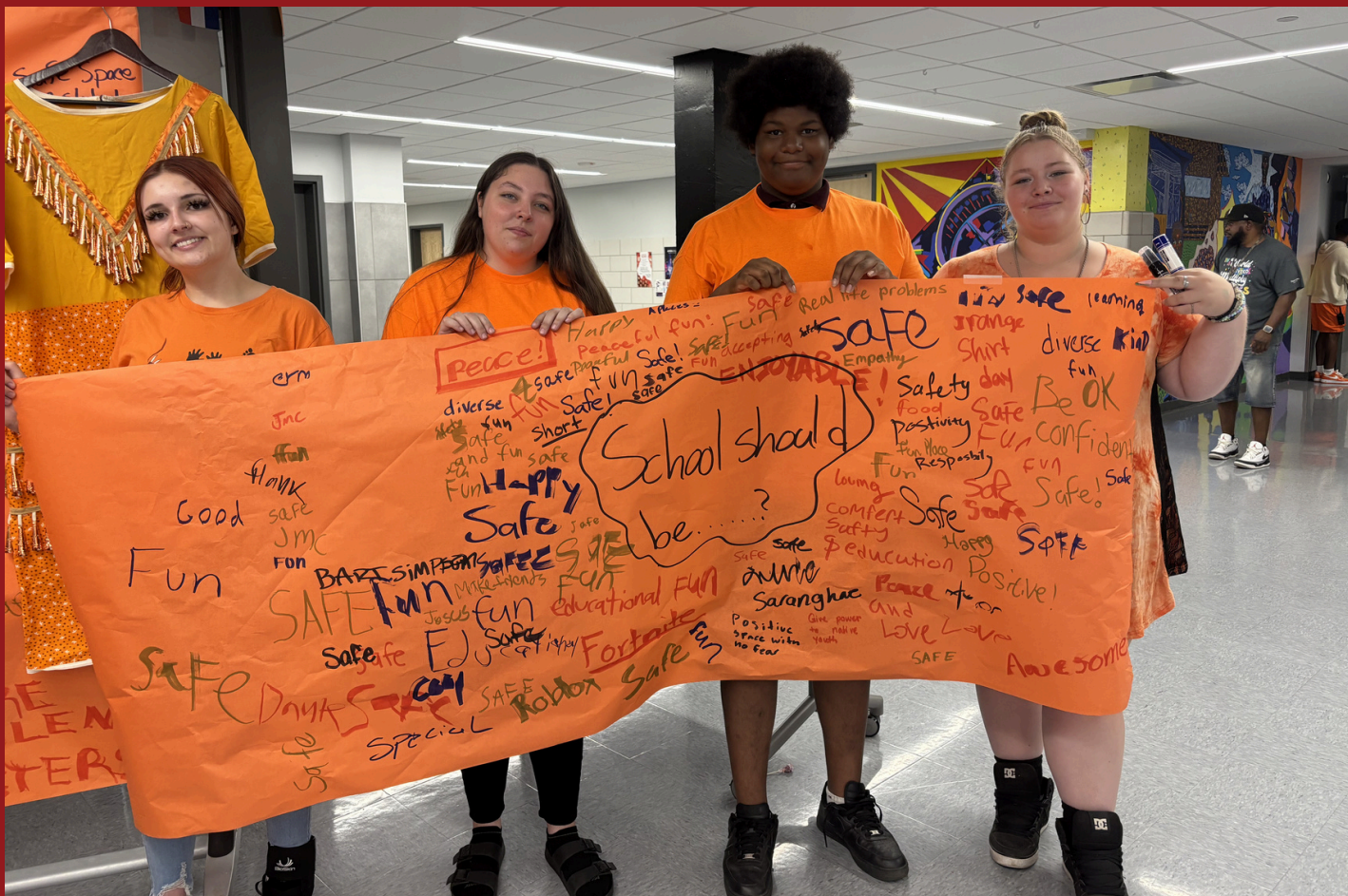




## District-Wide Culture & Belonging

# Orange Shirt Day

- Launched the Orange Shirt Day initiative
- Amplified by RAHS Student Leadership
- Raised awareness of lasting impacts on Native communities.
- Shared resources districtwide to support learning and reflection.



**An adult at school feels trustworthy when...**

***“they take the time to get to know you, and seem genuinely interested in who you are”***

**-RAHS Student**



# *We Are Still Here*

## Summer Program Pilot

### Students Served

Week 1 (K-3): 11 Students

Week 2: 16 Students (4-6)

### Culturally Grounded Instruction

Indigenous games

Language learning

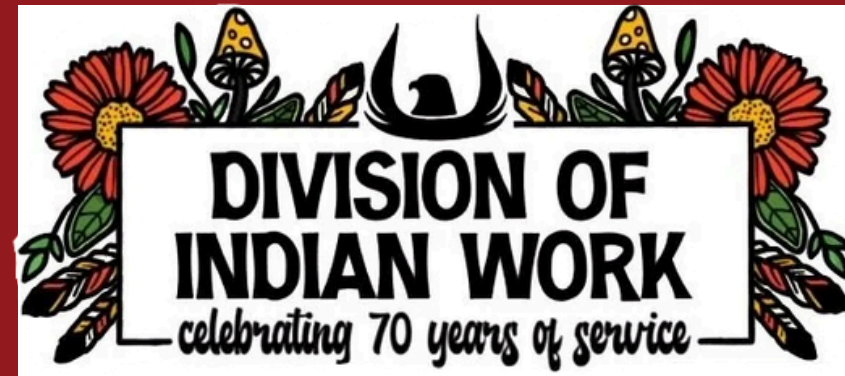
### Land-based activities

Edible plant tour

Traditional lacrosse

Harriet Alexander Nature Center





## Live-It Retreat

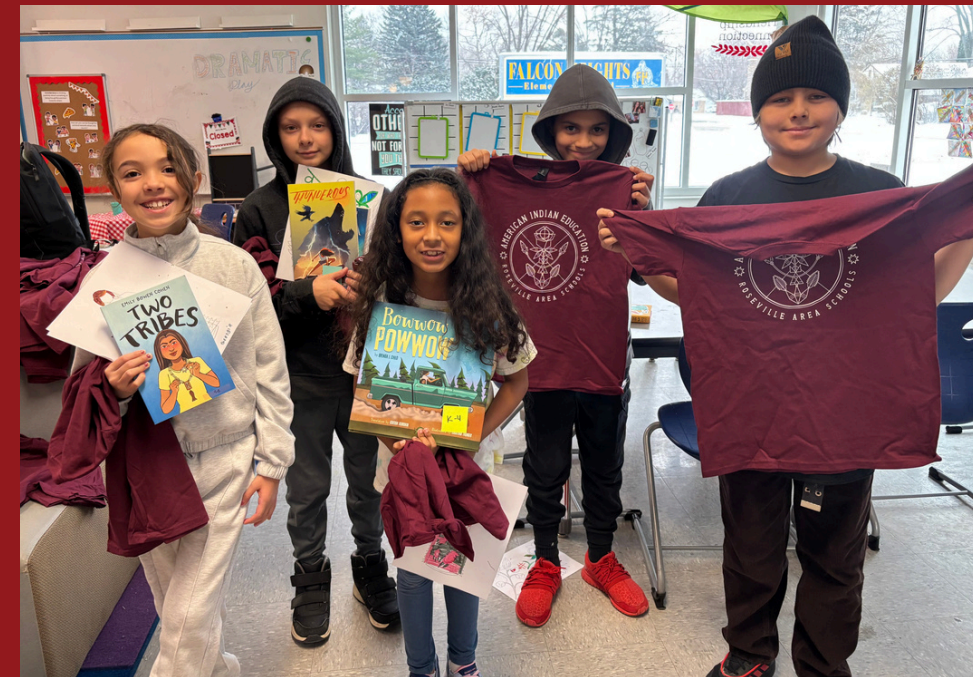
- Culturally grounded identity and wellness retreat in partnership with the Division of Indian Work.
- 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- Student leaders focused



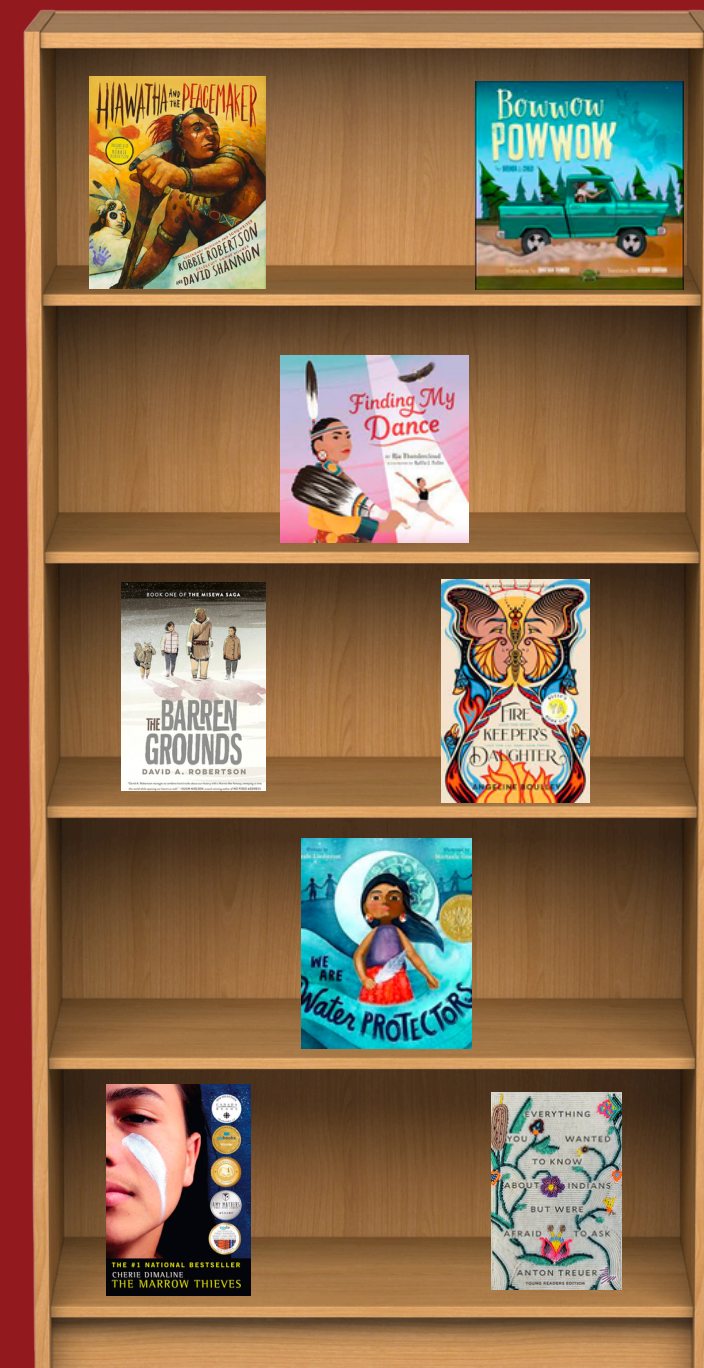


# Reading is Medicine

Building our Indigenous Libraries



2000+ Books!





# Senior Honoring

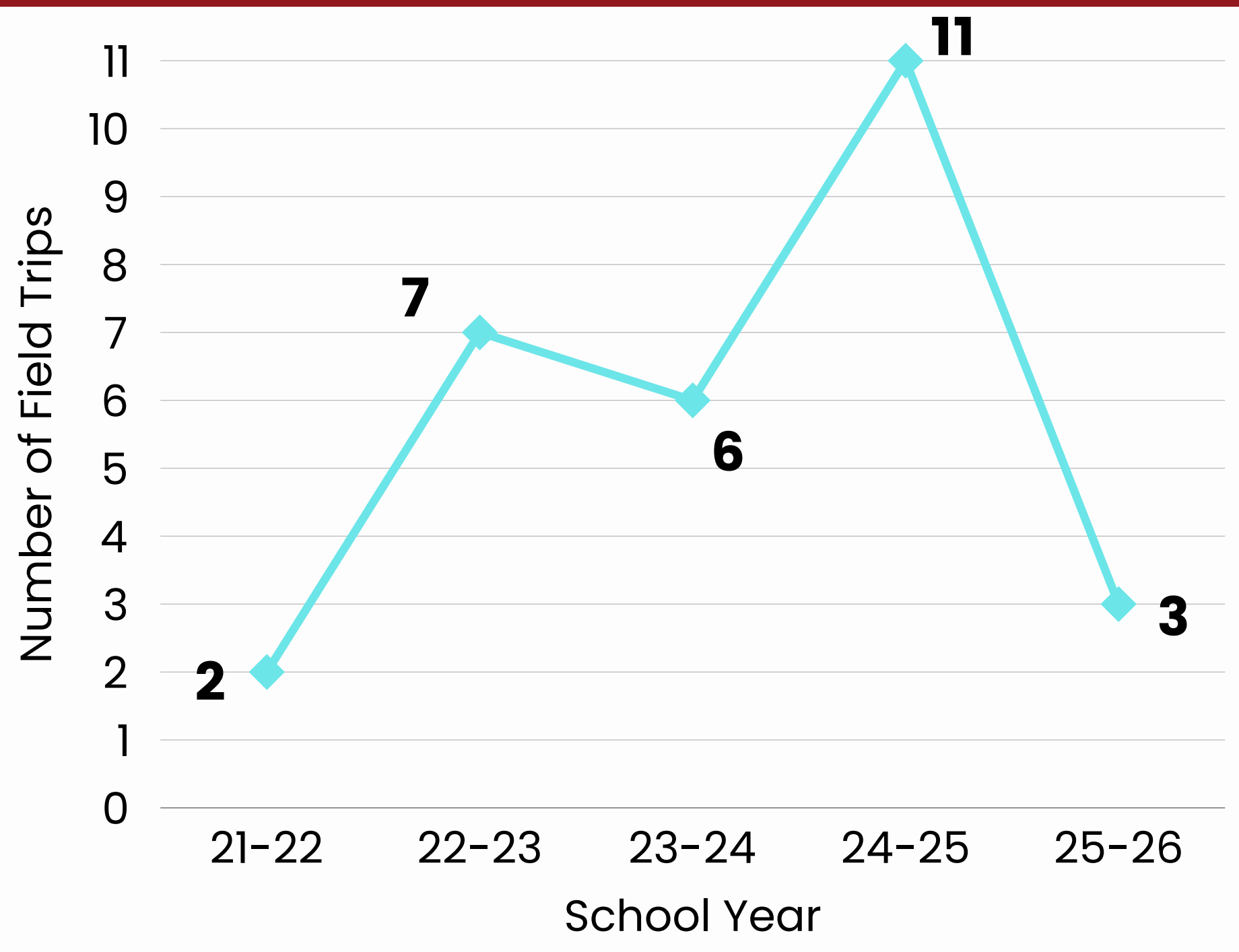
## Starquilt Ceremony





# Program Review

## Field Trips



### ***Destinations***

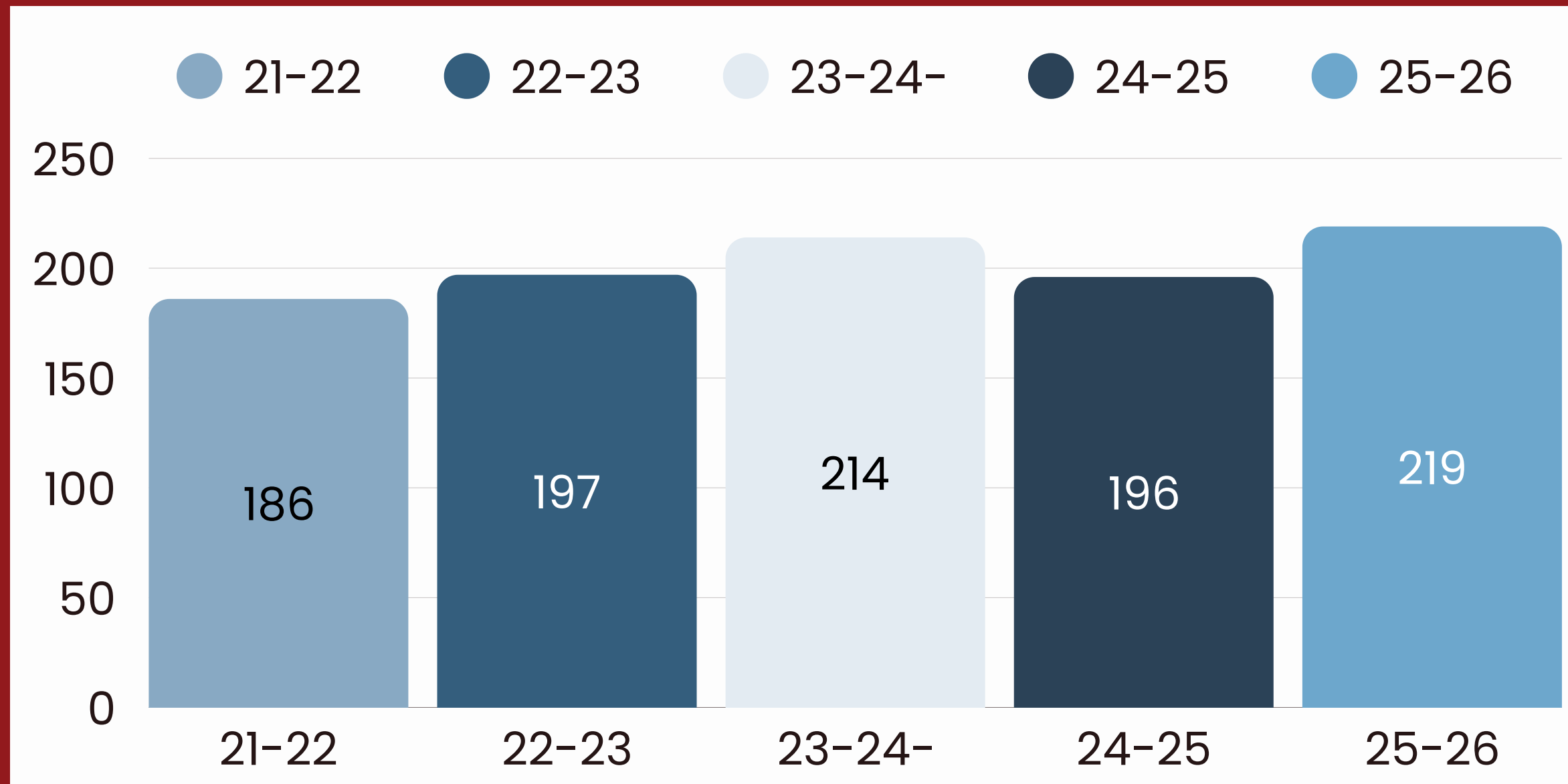
- Minnesota History Center
- Minnesota Science Museum
- Walker Art Center
- Augsburg University
- Gibbs Farm
- Native American College Fair
- MN Zoo
- U of M
- Sacred Sites Tour





# Program Review

## K-12 Native American Students

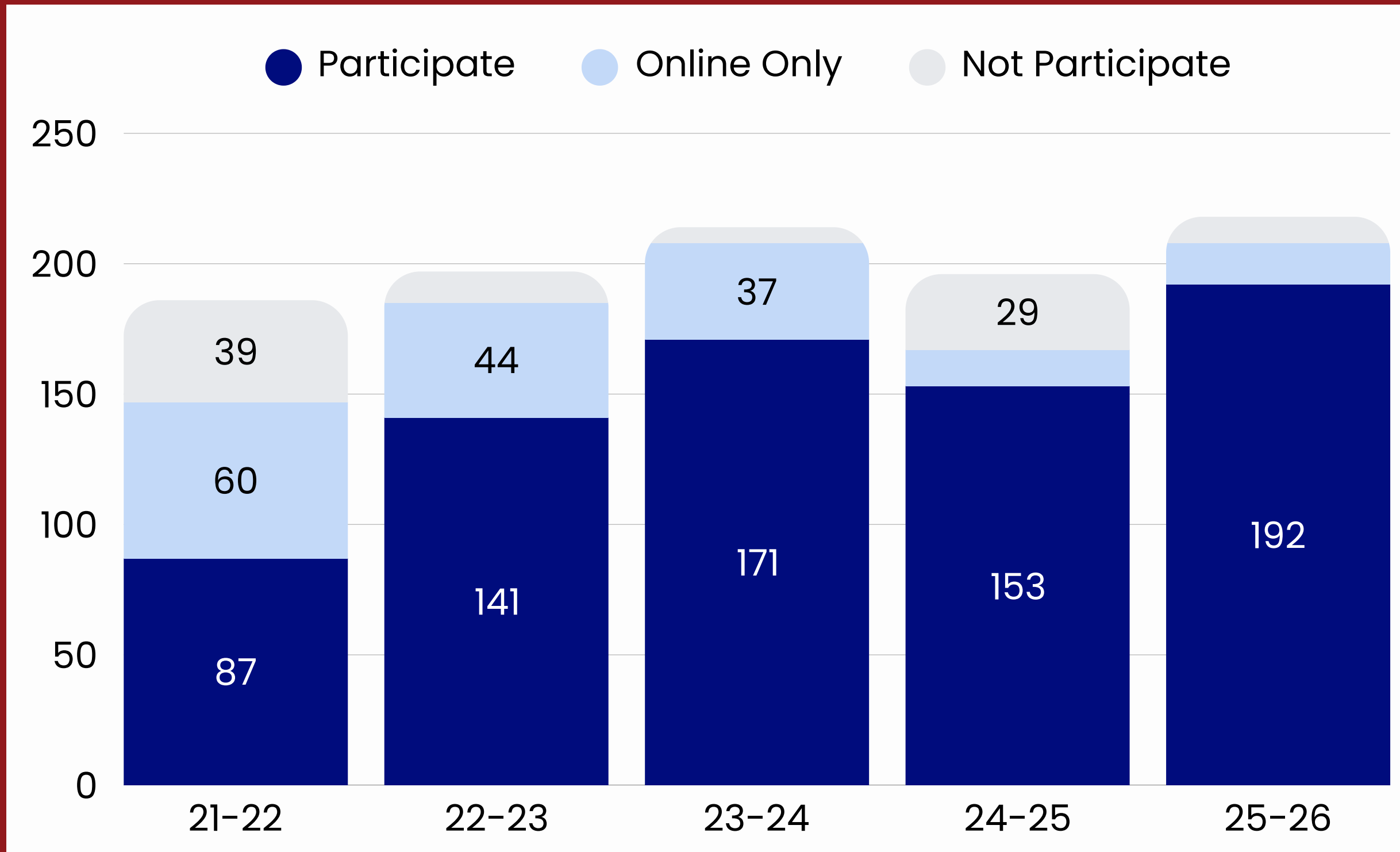


***"I come to Native American Group to create community, and learn more about my culture"*** -RAHS Student



# Program Review

## Affinity Group Participation



### Highlights

Participate

87 → **192**

Online Only

60 → **16**

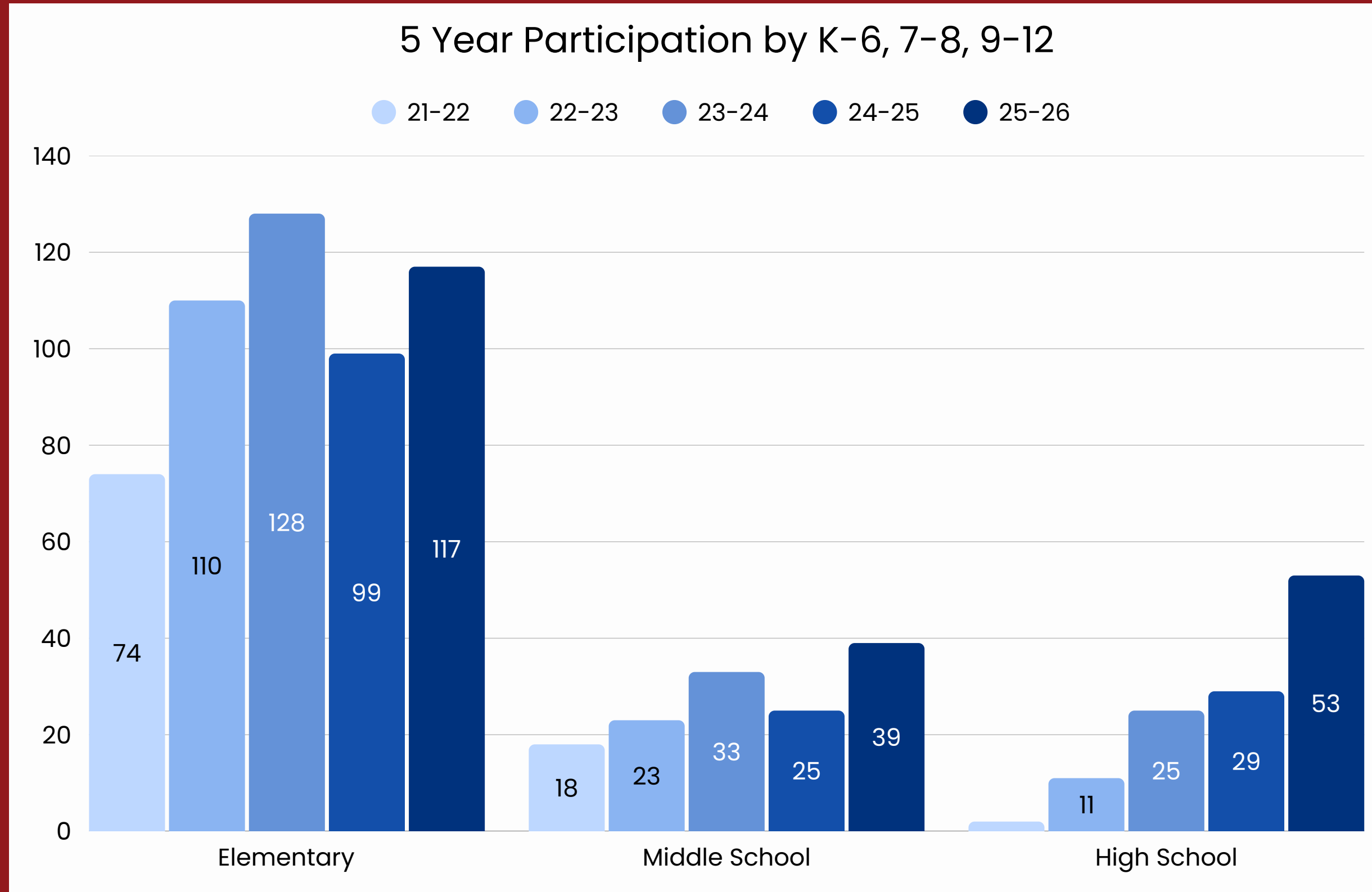
Not Participate

39 → **10**



# Program Review

## Affinity Group Participation



### Highlights

Elementary

74 → 117

Middle School

18 → 39

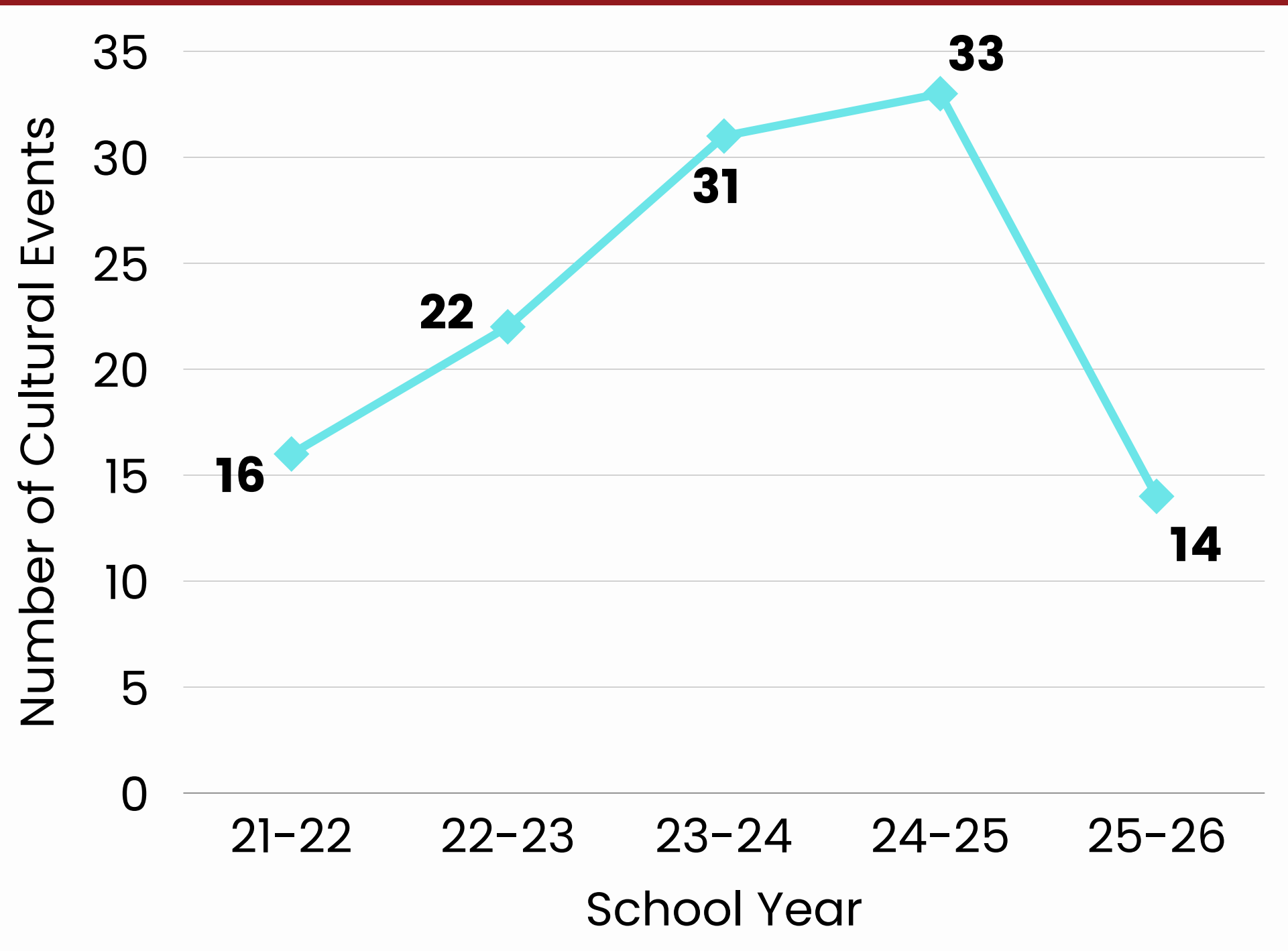
High School

2 → 53



# Program Review

## Family Activities



### Family Favorites

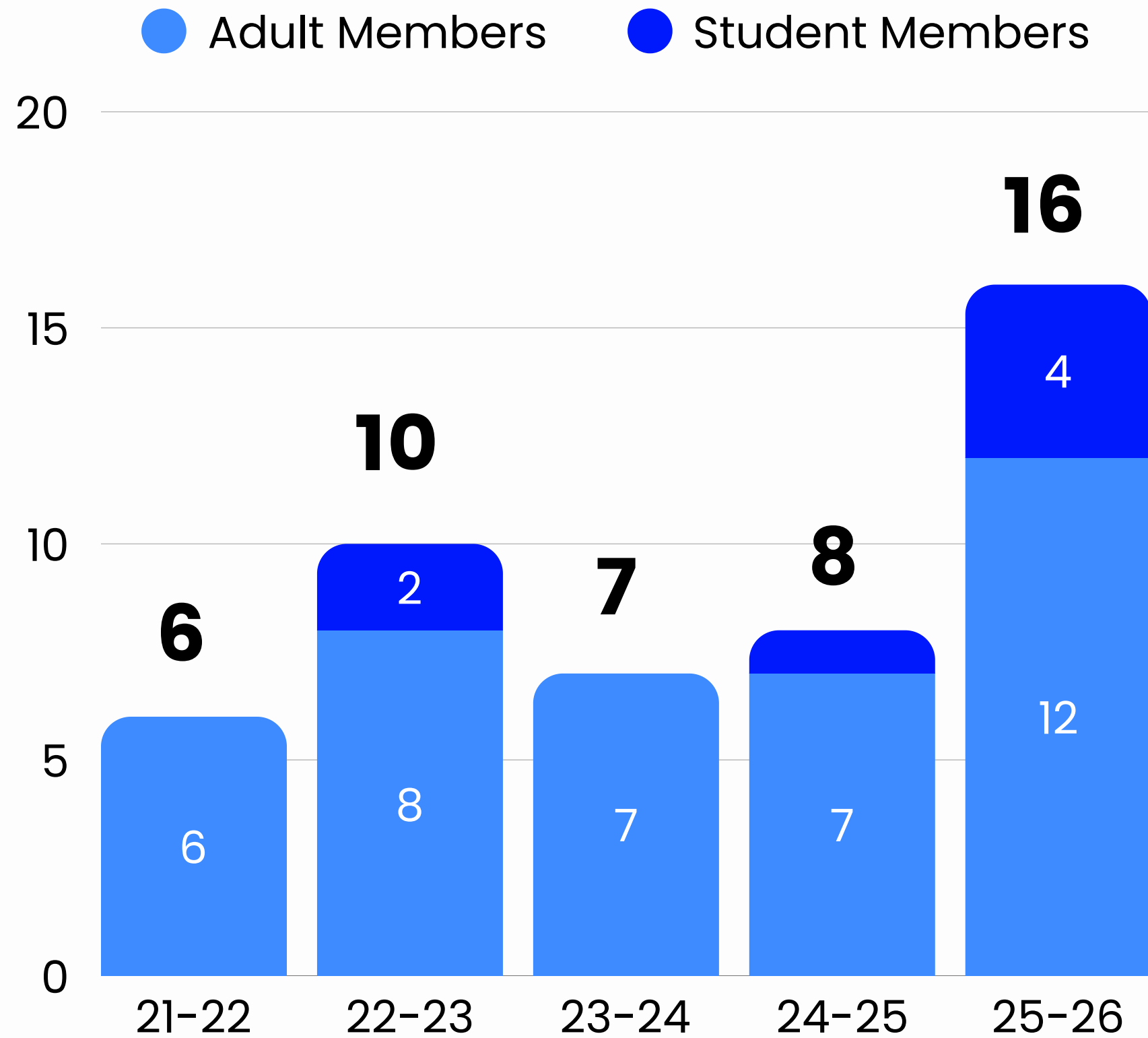
- Makwa Beading Nights
- Drum & Dance
- Ribbon Skirt Workshop
- Indigenous Games
- Nashke Games

- Virtual storytelling
- Senior honoring
- Powwow
- Round Dance
- Trip to Guthrie



# Program Review

## AIPAC Growth





Save the date

# American Indian Education Powwow

April 11<sup>th</sup> | Champlin Park High School

