



School Profile

Saint Michael Indian School
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Founded by the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in 1902.

Mission:

Saint Michael Indian School provides students from local Native American communities with a quality education that is rooted in Catholic values, is sensitive to Native heritage, teaches leadership skills, and enables students to contribute in a culturally diverse world.

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Accrediting Agencies

AdvancED
Western Catholic Educational Association (WCEA)

Enrollment

338, Kindergarten – Gr. 12

Ethnicity

91% American Indian or Alaskan Native
0.6% Black or African American
0.3% White
8% Two or more races

International

100% US Citizens
0% Non-US Citizens

Changes Made Due to Pandemic

For the 2020-21 school year we have made several changes to make learning feasible and safe in response to the pandemic:

- Distance learning for all students grades 3-12. Each student has been issued a school Chromebook, and attends classes via the Microsoft Teams platform. In March 2021 we began hybrid learning for grades K-12.

- Truncated schedule. We had planned for a staggered schedule, with 11th and 12th graders arriving for their first class at 12:05pm and taking five 50-minute classes until their school day ended at 4:55pm. We have kept this schedule for 11th and 12th graders in case we go to hybrid learning this year, as it would facilitate staggered arrival and departure times for students. Some 11th and 12th graders use their unscheduled morning hours to take one or two asynchronous classes if those classes are necessary for graduation.

- Academic calendar: First semester began on September 8, 2020, and ends January 22, 2021. Second semester begins January 25, 2021 and ends June 11, 2021.

- Instructional methods: Preschool is in-person only. Grades K-12 have lessons taught in a hybrid format with in-person and virtually via Microsoft Teams. Three classes are fully asynchronous; all synchronous courses meet for 50 minutes each day from Monday to Thursday, and on Friday students may request or be required to meet with teachers for individual or group tutoring. Some teachers assign asynchronous work to be completed on Fridays.