



Native Academy Connections Evaluation findings

Native Academy Connections intends to **increase on-time high school graduation rates** among American Indian high school students from two Minneapolis high schools

Over **4** years

108 students meaningfully participated ¹



in **hands-on, culturally relevant** classes and tutoring



at **Nawayee Center School** and the **All Nations program** at South High school



Cultural connection



76% of students...

felt connected to their culture when at Native Academy Connections



68% of students...

said they **learned about their culture** when at Native Academy Connections

On-time graduation



53%

of all students who meaningfully participated with Native Academy Connections were **on track to graduate** on time when they graduated or when the program ended at the end of School Year 2016-17

Compared to the overall graduation rate of 30% for American Indian students in School Year 2016-17 in the Minneapolis School District ²

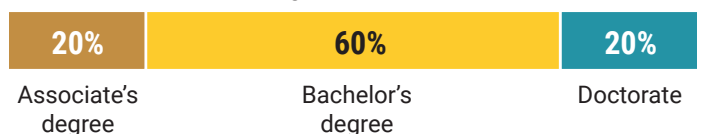
Education plans



79% of students...

had plans to go to college or receive postsecondary training. Of that 79%...

Degrees wanted



¹ By "meaningfully participated" we mean students who engaged with the program to some degree. There are some students who had the opportunity to engage with the program, but chose not to; these students are not included in these findings.

² Minnesota State Report Card for school year 2016-17. Graduation rates for American Indian/Alaska Native students in the Minneapolis Public School district. Minnesota Department of Education. Accessed July 12, 2018.