



NAVAJO PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Leaders Now and Into the Future



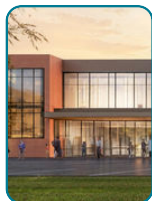
OUR COMMUNITY

- Navajo Prep serves 325 students, grades 9-12, with approximately 61% of students living on campus.
- Students represent diverse Indigenous Tribes, Pueblos, and Nations and come from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming.
- Each week, **our buses travel 1,526 miles** to pick up and drop off our students.
- Most Navajo Prep staff (66%) identify as Native American. Many of our teachers have taught at the university level and in international schools worldwide, including in India, China, the United Arab Emirates, Kenya, Mongolia, Mexico, Cambodia, Egypt, Germany, the Philippines, and Japan.
- Navajo Prep earned international recognition as a top-eight finalist worldwide for the Times Educational Supplement (TES) International School of the Year Award.

OUR 2027 ICIP PRIORITIES

ICIP #40404 \$5M

Athletic Complex



Plan, design, construct, demolish, replace, renovate, furnish and equip, and make improvements to the athletic complex and related infrastructure

ICIP #28-0947 \$4M

Safety and Security Infrastructure



Plan, design, construct, purchase, install, equip, renovate, and make improvements to campus, infrastructure, and security systems

ICIP #42899 \$4M

Campus Infrastructure



Plan, design, construct, and make improvements to roadway, sewer, water, drainage and other infrastructure

ICIP #28-0951 \$2.5M

Technology Infrastructure



Plan, design, construct, furnish, purchase, install and equip a technology center and infrastructure

ICIP #28-0953 \$5M

Navajo Code Talker Museum

Plan, design, construct, furnish, and equip a Navajo Code Talkers Museum, including exhibits, technology, infrastructure, & related site improvements



Since 2020, Navajo Prep has successfully completed 7 capital outlay projects.

KEY ISSUES

Capital Outlay Funding:

- As a Tribally Controlled School, Navajo Prep does not have access to funding through the Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA). This makes capital outlay support essential for school facilities and infrastructure development.

Tribally Controlled School Funding:

- New Mexico is home to 45 BIE schools—21 Tribally Controlled and 24 Bureau Operated—representing 24% of all BIE schools nationwide.
- Tribally Controlled Schools cannot draw on the local tax base and cannot issue bonds.
- Tribally Controlled Schools receive no designated funding for technology infrastructure, equipment, or management. Navajo Prep subsidizes ISEP academic funding for safety, IT, food services, transportation, and security.

Weighted Student Unit:

- The Indian School Equalization Program (ISEP) funding is significantly lower than state averages, with Navajo Prep receiving \$8,260 per pupil compared to \$19,900 per pupil for New Mexico Public Schools (USAFacts, 2026). This represents a 59% funding disparity.





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OUR IMPACT

Culture

- The Navajo Language is at a critical moment of revitalization and Navajo Prep is leading the effort by embedding Diné Bizaad throughout all four years of the student experience, both in the classroom and beyond.
- All students are enrolled in a Navajo language and culture class that includes a meaningful language assessment.
- Navajo Prep also hosts weekly after-school culture nights featuring winter stories, shoe games, string games, cooking demonstrations, and more.

94% **Graduation Rate**

Since 2020, Navajo Prep has sustained a high school graduation rate of 94% or higher.

College Preparation

Navajo Prep prepares students for college and meets rigorous international standards as one of 5,800 International Baccalaureate schools worldwide.



100%

of students from the Class of 2025 were accepted to a 4-year college or university.



47%

of alumni from 2018-2021 have earned a post-secondary credential. 35% earned a bachelor's degree (n=74). Nationally, only 16.8% of Native peoples have earned a bachelor's degree or higher.



Regional Impact

Navajo Prep serves students from 52 distinct communities, extending our reach across the Navajo Nation and beyond.

Increased Social and Emotional Support

Navajo Prep supports the mental, physical, social (K'e), emotional, and cultural development of students by providing a safe, healthy, and supportive environment that recognizes individuality and independence.



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