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MEDIA ADVISORY

Wishon will Celebrate Native American Heritage Month

What: Traditional Native American celebration (November is Native American Heritage Month)

When: Friday, Nov. 22, 2019
7:45 a.m.

Where: Wishon Elementary School
3857 E. Harvard Ave. (93703)

Students at Wishon Elementary School will have the opportunity to learn more about and experience Native American traditions in honor of Native American Heritage Month. Students will line up to go into class to the sounds of traditional drumming with songs. The Indigenous Warriors Flag Group of Central California will present flags and lead the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by remarks from Mono elder Ron Goode. Lipan Apache elder Richard Gonzalez and Chiricahua Apache/Yaqui speaker Richard Torres, a teacher at Wishon.

A Yaqui Deer Dance will be performed (NO PHOTOS, RECORDINGS OR VIDEO ALLOWED OF THIS DANCE) and the celebration will close with drums and songs as students head to class. Prior to Friday’s celebration, background information about the traditions were shared with classrooms.
“What an honor for Wishon students and staff to be able to experience the traditions of Native Americans, especially during Native American Heritage Month,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.

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