

Last Friday, November 5th, Wahluke School District (WSD) and the Wanapum Indians of Priest Rapids (Wanapum) met with the Yakama Nation Tribal Council to share and present details regarding the Wahluke School District Native American Warrior image and the relationship the local tribe and school district have established since the conception of a school in Mattawa.

The Warrior image is representative of a relationship that began generations ago between WSD and Wanapum where Native American culture and heritage is intertwined into the daily life of students that attend WSD.

The Yakama Nation, as the federal tribe identified in the legislation of House Bill 1356, shared their approval and support after Friday's presentation of the continued use of the Wahluke Warrior image by WSD and additionally required the WSD to develop a memorandum of agreement by 2023 that will ensure the school district continues respectful and integral use of the Native American image.