



NORTH HIGH MASCOT FAQ'S

WHY WAS THE NORTH HIGH NICKNAME/MASCOT CHANGED?

After extensive research, it was determined that the nickname/mascot is a racially derogative term that could be found offensive and insensitive to some people. Though many have stated that the term was never meant to be harmful, because of its historical context and use in the past, it was decided that it would no longer be used in association with North High School.

WHAT IS THE NEW NICKNAME/MASCOT FOR NORTH HIGH?

At this time the committee decided not to recommend a new nickname/mascot for North High School. The school will simply be know as 'Wichita North', with the Shield, Drum, and Feather serving as the official school logo.

WILL A NEW NICKNAME/MASCOT BE CHOSEN IN THE FUTURE?

USD 259 BOE Policy 1216 allows for the building principal and administration to name an appropriate nickname/mascot. For the foreseeable future - as stated above - the school will not recognize a nickname or mascot.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THE SCULPTURES AND DECORATION ON THE BUILDING?

The school is a historically protected structure and there will be no changes to the current building. Bruce Moore, the architect who designed North High, wished to honor the area's pioneer history and Native American influence. The building will remain as it currently sits.

WILL THE HISTORICAL BANNERS AND RECORDS BE REMOVED FROM THE GYM?

No. All historical school and sports records will remain on display in the gyms and other athletic facilities.

WHERE CAN I VIEW THE PRESENTATION THAT WAS PRESENTED TO THE B.O.E.?

The BOE Meeting from February 8, 2021, can be viewed by following this link:
<https://youtu.be/-kSreyWAhXg>
