

Happy Holidays!

News from The STAR School

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[STAR School Visit with First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House!!!!](#)

STAR School was one of three schools across the country invited to cook with First Lady Michelle Obama at the White House on Tuesday, October 14! Dr. Sorensen and Louva accompanied Sawyer Allison-Begay, Marilee David, Isaac Cook, Natasha Garcia, and Anthony Harvey to Washington, D.C. to participate in this honor! "First Lady Michelle Obama will join school children and chefs for the annual harvest of the White House Kitchen Garden... In celebration of Farm to School Month, the First Lady has invited schoolchildren from Arizona, California, and Ohio to participate in the fall harvest. These schools were selected because they are participating in farm to school programs that incorporate fresh, local foods into their school meals, and they teach students about healthy eating through school gardens and nutrition education." The USDA (US Department of Agriculture) provided the funding for our STAR representatives to make this trip!



Left to Right: Natasha Garcia, Isaac Cook, Marilee David, Anthony Harvey, Sawyer Allison-Begay, and Home Ec. Teacher, Louva Montour.

“Redbird Saves the Corn” wins Film Award

Congratulations to former STAR Alumni Makayla Allison, Taylor Long and Larissa Luther, Mentors Kira Butler and Camille Manybeads Tso. They have won the My Hero Award for their Traditional Navajo Spider Woman story retold through Lightbox Animation. Great Job! See [here!](#)



“ALL the students are my friends, we love each other because we are Family!”

-Tamyra Harrison, 8th grade Student

Chinese Culture Exchange



We had an outstanding experience with our guests from China who are visiting scholars at Northern Arizona University. They showed examples of calligraphy and made Chinese Dumplings with the Home Economics Class and we shared with them our blue corn recipes!

Snow Delay/Cancellation Policy in relation to Flagstaff Unified School District. Announcements will be made on KAFF and KNAU. A phone tree has been created to get the word out to all staff members.

FUSD 1 hour delay = STAR Regular Schedule
 FUSD 2 hour delay = STAR 1 hour Delay
 FUSD Cancellation = STAR 2 hour Delay (possibility of cancellation based on assessment of conditions)

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