



Proclamation

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month first began as a weeklong observance, known as Asian Heritage Week, in 1979; and

WHEREAS, this celebration was expanded to include the entire month of May in 1990; and

WHEREAS, May commemorates both the immigration of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843, and the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869 (Golden Spike Day); and

WHEREAS, the diversity and experiences of the many ethnic groups are celebrated during Asian Pacific American Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Adams 12 Five Star Schools serves 1,946 Asian American and Pacific Islander students; and

WHEREAS, 139 Adams 12 Five Star Schools' teachers, certified, classified and administrative staff are Asian American and Pacific Islander; and

WHEREAS, Adams 12 Five Star Schools is committed to celebrating and recognizing the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders across our country, state and in our schools.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the Adams 12 Five Star Schools Board of Education proclaims May as ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH in Adams 12 Five Star Schools.

Approved and adopted by the Board of Education at its meeting on April 19, 2023.