



## Jessie Taken Alive-Rencountre

Jessie is a Hunkpapa Lakota from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. She has worked as a school counselor serving hundreds of students for 15 years. She was named the Great Plains Emerging Tribal Writer's Award winner for her first children's book *Pet'a Shows Misun the Light*.

Utilizing her teachings from her Lakota culture combined with a school counselor lens, she has published four children's books, with another being released in December 2023. Her passion is to help people remember their importance in life and to use their unique talents to create better communities for future generations to come. She is also a Lakota Jingle Dress Dancer and loves to educate others about Lakota culture using storytelling combined with traditional song and dance. In 2021, Jessie was named a future legacy leader by the Spirit Aligned Leadership Program.

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## In the Commons:

### Performances by:

Drumming Ensemble: Chakse Henry, Robert Henry, Reuben Kitto Stately, Sean Smith

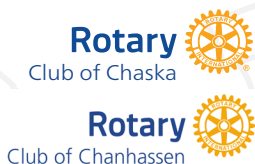
Star Downwind Jingle Dress Dancer

Chaska Valley Family Theater

The Dance Warehouse

Carver County Library District 112 Foundation Paper Pie Books

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# Hooked on Books 2024

...and the Arts, too!



Saturday, Feb. 10 • 9 a.m. - 12 noon  
Chanhassen High School

Welcome Author  
Jessie Taken Alive-Rencountre



# East Wing

## Planting a Seed

Chanhassen Elementary

Through reading the book KEEPUNUMUK, learn the story of the first Thanksgiving from a Native American perspective. This is a tale of the harvest feast shared by the newcomers and the Wampanoag people in 1621. The Wampanoag people hunt, fish, and raise the Three Sisters: Corn, Beans, And Squash. Over time, First Peoples developed deep knowledge about the ways that many plants – often called “medicine,” help bodies and minds stay healthy. Come plant a seed! **Room E102**

## It's A Mitig!

Family Learning Center

Learn Ojibwe words for animals and nature as we listen to the book, “*It's A Mitig!*” Create a ginebig (snake.) Explore items found in nature with our friends from Campfire MN. **Room E104**

## Ikidowin Acting Ensemble

Youth from the Ikidowin Acting Ensemble will share their talents through short plays. **E110 Area**

## Ojibwe Shoulder Bag Activity

S.O.A.R. students

We introduce Ojibwe culture, history, and arts, both past and present, and honor the story of the bandolier bag artist who created the kit's pre-printed design. In collaboration with the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. **Room E114**

## Water, Water Everywhere

Clover Ridge Elementary

Water is our most important natural resource. Come explore water through art, play, science and of course a read aloud using novel effects of *We Are Water Protectors*. **Room E116**

## Free Book

Chaska Rotary

Stop by and pick out a book to enjoy. One per child, while supplies last. Generously donated by the Chaska Rotary. **E120 Open Area**

## Meet Nibs and Hal

Canine Companions

Come and meet Nibs and Hal, two trained service dogs with Canine Companions. Nibs is a 7 month old black lab, and Hal is a 9 month old yellow lab. Books will be available if you'd like to read to either of the dogs, or just stop by for some cuddles. **Room E128**

# Center Hallway

## STAR Bags and Treats

S.T.A.R.

Our STAR students have been busy making their STAR bags. These comforting bags are perfect to heat up then curl up with a good book.

## Photo Op

Snap a photo and share it out! #HOB24ECCS

## Ten Penny Tunes

Enjoy Irish and American tunes played on accordion, upright bass, and whistles/flutes.

# West Wing

## Nashke Native Games

Increase awareness of Ojibwe language and culture through game play. **Open space by W110**

## Mama, Do You Love Me?

Victoria Elementary

Students will listen to the book, *Mama, Do You Love Me?* by Barbara Joose which is a universal story of the love between a parent and child. Supplies for heart crafts will be provided. **Room W102**

## Paletero Man

La Academia/Kinder Academy

Teachers will read the story, *Paletero Man*. You can make a “popsicle.” **Room W104**

## Making Sky Spirits

Bluff Creek Elementary

Learn about the Ojibwe Sky Spirits and make your own picture using pastels. Sky Spirits are also known as Aurora Borealis. **Room W110 Open Area**

## Marlena Myles Coloring Sheets

112 Equity and Inclusion Dep.

Coloring sheets created by MN Native Author, Marlena Myles. **Room W112**

## Tails for Reading

Carver County Library & NSTA

Preschool and school age children are invited to meet specially trained therapy dogs (and a guinea pig!) to encourage confidence in reading. Presented by North Star Therapy Animals **Room W114**

## Book Walk

World Learner School

Win a book from World Learner School at our book walk! **Room W116**

## Book Bingo

Carver County Library

Straight across, diagonal, or up and down! Play some rounds of book-themed Bingo with us and win a prize book! **W120 Open Area**

## Pop-up Museum

District 112 Instructional Coaches

Learn and interact with the Mdewakanton Shield and learn about Ojibwe and Dakota artifacts that were curated by students at Bluff Creek Elementary School. **Room W126**

## When We Are Kind

Carver Elementary

*When We Are Kind* celebrates simple acts of everyday kindness and encourages children to explore how they feel when they initiate and receive acts of kindness in their lives. Participants will be able to complete an “acts of kindness” activity and color a Kindness Bookmark. **Room W128**

## Welcome

- All activities are free. Flow in and out of rooms as you wish. You most likely won't make it to every activity. Choose your top three or so and then take it from there. Relax and have fun!
- Say cheese! Photographers will be taking photos and video of participants.
- Activities wrap-up promptly at noon so be sure to leave enough time to participate in the activities you choose.

**Thanks for coming!**