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# SRCD Celebrates Native American Heritage Month

[National Native American Heritage Month](#) is observed every November to recognize the significant contributions the first Americans made to the growth of the United States. To commemorate the observance, SRCD is highlighting SRCD Native American and Indigenous scholars in the child development field. Learn about why they chose developmental science, what inspires them, and their favorite aspects of SRCD membership:

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SRCD is thankful for the work and perspectives of our diverse community of scholars and scientists. We wish you all a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday however you choose to celebrate this year.

[Learn more about Native American Heritage Month](#)

**Land Acknowledgments: Paying respect to the area you currently inhabit.**

[Native Land Digital](#) is an ongoing map resource that highlights Indigenous history, original language, and tribal ties. You can use this resource as a first step in learning more about where you live and who lived on and cared for the land before you.