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Statement from the Board of Education About Changing the School's Mascot
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Tecumseh Public Schools is proud to represent a diverse group of students and staff members from many ethnic groups. Currently, about 40% of our students belong to a Native American Tribe. Our School Board is dedicated to listen to our community when it comes to the question of whether or not we should adopt a different mascot. Over the past three years, Board members have heard from a small number of people who have expressed concern in this issue with many more being in favor of retaining "The Savages" as our school's mascot. The presentations made at the meeting last night provided our members with even more information about the matter, and Board members will be considering all of the statements that were made as they work toward making a decision. As public officials representing the community, our Board members will continue to dedicate themselves to listening to the community and making decisions about whether to change or keep the current mascot of Tecumseh Public Schools based on the feedback received from them.