

## Native American Heritage Month

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# Tornado Alley

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## Apply today for grant, shoes from Cowtown 5K

TABS has received 30 grants for next year's Cowtown 5K. For just a \$9 registration fee, recipients will be registered for the

Feb. 26 race and will receive a brand-new pair of running shoes. Stop by the main office to pick up an application. But

act quickly: The grants will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

### QUICK HITS

#### *Volunteer opportunity*

Earn some hours by volunteering with NHS at the Botanical Gardens on Nov. 20. [Click here to sign up.](#)

Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

#### *Senior class dues*

Dues for the class of 2022 are \$35 and may be paid before Dec. 10 through the TABS store. Check your email for a link.

Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

#### *T-shirt design competition*

Show your creativity by submitting a T-shirt design for the class of 2022. The deadline is Nov. 26. [Click here to submit a design.](#)

Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

#### *Online HOSA dues*

Pay your HOSA dues today on the TABS webstore. [Click here](#) to access the store. Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

#### *Fall festival*

Eat and play games with your fellow Tornados from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 4 on the TABS floor.

Contact: [\(redacted\)](#)

## [HS]<sup>2</sup> lets students study STEM, breathe in the mountain air



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The Colorado Rocky Mountain School, founded in 1953.

The [HS]<sup>2</sup> summer program, offered by Colorado Rocky Mountain School, in Carbondale, Colo., focuses on science, technology, engineering and math and includes plenty of outdoor adventures. Since 2007, [HS]<sup>2</sup> has provided

academically disadvantaged ninth-graders of color with the opportunity to live and study surrounded by the majestic Rockies. The program runs five weeks for three summers and is cost-free. Interested? [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)

### UNIVERSITY PROFILE

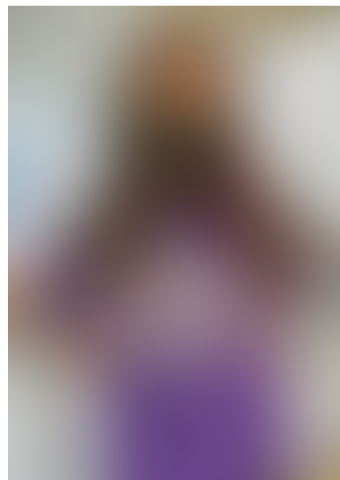
#### *Texas Southern University*

One of the nation's largest historically Black universities, Texas Southern plays host to about 10,000 students in Houston's Third Ward. Its 100 undergraduate programs include biology and chemistry, and the school has rigorous doctoral offerings, including pharmaceutical science and environmental toxicology.



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### SPOTLIGHT



Brian Wooddell/TABS

#### *Jonie Smith, 9*

One of our many Stripling alumnae, ninth-grader Jonie Smith came to TABS because she wanted the opportunity to earn her associate's degree and pursue a medical career. If she gets her way, you'll find her at [NYU](#) in four years studying to be either a neurosurgeon or an athletic trainer. Smith is a passionate fan of Mexico's Club León and plays forward for the Dallas Texans soccer team. She's also part of Yearbook Club. She credits her parents and her older sister for supporting her and advises everyone to never give up.

**One more thing:** Ninth- and 10th-graders' lab coats are on their way! Details coming soon.

Skybox photo: Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park, Navajo Nation. Photo by Cayetano Gil/Unsplash