

ICCTA Quick Survey on Indigenous Peoples Day

October 1, 2020 (updated)

1. DOES YOUR COLLEGE OBSERVE COLUMBUS DAY AS A HOLIDAY?

Answer	0%	100%	Number of Responses	Response Ratio
Yes			7	36.8%
No			12	63.1%
		Totals	19	100%

Yes -- 7

• Highland Community College

• Illinois Eastern Community Colleges

Oakton Community College: Classes are not cancelled and the College is open. We observe the day

and have an event honoring and recognizing indigenous people.

It is not a holiday in the sense that classes are canceled but we

acknowledge the day.

South Suburban College

Southeastern Illinois College

Shawnee Community College:

• Triton College: Floating holiday

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· Carl Sandburg College

- College of DuPage
- College of Lake County
- Elgin Community College
- Heartland Community College
- Illinois Central College

• Illinois Valley Community College:

Joliet Junior College

Kishwaukee College

Sauk Valley Community College:

Traditionally, IVCC has not celebrated Columbus Day as a holiday.

The college still operates and has courses on this day. Faculty and

staff are given the day off as part of winter break.

Southwestern Illinois College: This is not a college-observed holiday, however it is recognized as a

holiday in some collective bargaining agreements.

Spoon River College

2. DOES YOUR COLLEGE TITLE THE DAY AS COLUMBUS DAY? IF NOT, WHAT TITLE DO YOU USE?

Answer 0% 100% Number of Responses Ratio Yes 7 50.0% No 6 42.8% Totals 14 100%

Yes -- 7

- Highland Community College
- Illinois Eastern Community Colleges (Frontier-Lincoln Trail-Olney Central-Wabash Valley)
- Shawnee Community College
- South Suburban College
- Southeastern Illinois College
- Southwestern Illinois College
- Triton College

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• Carl Sandburg College

College of Lake County:
 We do not offer this day off.

• Elgin Community College: As the college is open on what has been known as Columbus Day,

we have removed the reference from our calendars / K-12 still observes

the date, I believe and there was confusion for some.

• Heartland Community College: There is no designation. Just shows a regular class day.

• Oakton Community College: Indigenous Peoples Day

• Sauk Valley Community College: We don't do anything on this day and we don't acknowledge it as

Columbus Day.

3. IF YOU USE AN ALTERNATIVE TITLE SUCH AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY, DO YOU HOLD ANY EVENTS THAT COINCIDE WITH THE ALTERNATIVE TITLE OF THE DAY?

• College of DuPage: No events. We do not observe Columbus Day / Indigenous Peoples

Day / etc.

• Elgin Community College: We have observed Indigenous People Day previously with conversations

and some special events via student life.

• Kishwaukee College: Not at this time, but will look at possibly add something in the future.

• Oakton Community College: We hold an observance in recognition of Indigenous People.



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