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# Keep the Watertown Indian Mascot

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There is growing support with some alumni to remove the Indian mascot from our town/school. However, what they are not seeing is an opportunity to educate people and promote cultural pride. The Watertown Indian mascot and it's Native American imagery and logo are respectful, not offensive. The mascot is deep rooted with pride and strength. It should not be up to the current graduating class or other alumnus to be the final judges. It should be local Native Americans as it is their culture.

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Connecticut

8 days ago

I'm a proud alumni of the Watertown High School Indians. It's not offensive and never has been  
Sandy M.

Connecticut

10 days ago

I graduate from WHS and my children are there now

name not displayed

Connecticut

11 days ago

No reason to change it

Dave R.

Connecticut

11 days ago

Because freedom, not censorship is important to me.

Stephen F.

Connecticut

11 days ago

I played for the Watertown Indians.

Roger O.

Connecticut

11 days ago

Played here as a student as well as coached here! It's tradition and actually honors the Native Americans's culture.

Michael B.

Connecticut

12 days ago

The PC needs to stop and crazy libs, if possible, need to understand the damage they're doing! Wasn't an Indian but proud of my towns heritage ! Go Indians!

Phil M.

Connecticut

12 days ago

This needs to end!!! Most ridiculous thing going on it's a tribute to our heritage!!!!

Tina D.

Connecticut

12 days ago

I have always been proud to be a Watertown Indian!

Kevin F.

Connecticut

12 days ago

WHS Alumni

Steven G.

Connecticut

12 days ago

Proud to be a Watertown HS Indian alumni and former varsity baseball player. Watertown Indian Strong !

Philip F.

Connecticut

12 days ago

Class of 1980 and do not see any reason to change it.

Jenny L.

Connecticut

12 days ago

I went to Watertown H.S.

name not displayed

Connecticut

12 days ago

Keep our Mascot because; We are the Indians, mighty, mighty Indians. Everywhere we go, people want to know who we are, so we tell them.....

Donna C.

Connecticut

13 days ago

its my school graduation 1974

Debra F.

Connecticut

13 days ago

It is a matter of pride.

Johnny R.

Connecticut

13 days ago

This land called Watertown was sold to a farmer called Thomas Judd from the Indians tht lived here for 1,000 of years. So why in the hell would be change our mascot?

Bajrame I.

Connecticut

13 days ago

My family attends the school

Marion P.

Connecticut

14 days ago

I have been in this town all my life. My dad also grew up here and went to school. No need to change

Melodie V.

Connecticut

14 days ago

My daughter is an alumni ... she'll always be an Indian

Rachel M.

Connecticut

14 days ago

Indian pride for life.

Dawn Q.

Connecticut

14 days ago

History

Kathy P.

Connecticut

14 days ago

I feel it is not discriminating! I feel this is a tribute to the indigenous people! They are the history of this great land in which we live, we seem to be forgetting that!

Anne D.

Connecticut

14 days ago

there is no reason to change it. we do not need to 'white wash' any more from names & mascots

olivia p.

Connecticut

14 days ago

because there's a lot of history to that mascot and we should honor it

Robert G.

Connecticut

14 days ago

Grew up knowing the Indian mascot! Was proud to play sports under this mascot! Keep it

Nancy G.

Connecticut

14 days ago

I'm an alumni of WHS and this has been the logo/mascot. Keep it the same, don't change it for someone else's approval.

Denise D.

Connecticut

14 days ago

I was and always will be a Watertown Indian.

name not displayed

Connecticut

14 days ago

Has been high school mascot since school was founded, has been highlight of generations of history. just bc some blue haired bitch doesn't like an indian doesn't mean the indian is racist.

Paul E.

Connecticut

14 days ago

Graduated in 1986. The Indian has been around for decades. There was never an issue before 2020. Let's keep it.

Raymond G.

Connecticut

14 days ago

I grew up in Watertown went to all the school's WHS Indians forever

Rachel P.

Connecticut

14 days ago

Growing up down the road from Watertown high it was always known as the Watertown Indians. It's important because it's a sense of pride not hate. Students at Watertown are proud to be Indians and take such pride in their sports carrying that name. It's something people need to actually look at and think these kids are doing no harm to the name.

Charles R.

Connecticut

14 days ago

Besides honoring a respectful tradition, the students at the high school do not need any more instability at this time - or anything else that shakes their sense of identity and belonging.

Debra M.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Its been like that for years! No need for change!!

Doris C.

Connecticut

15 days ago

The Indian mascot has always been our mascot we need to keep it.

Kristina I.

Connecticut

15 days ago

The mascot is not derogatory and should remain in place.

Scott D.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Tired of all the political correctness. Don't change our mascot!

Tara F.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Not at all offensive

bob J.

Connecticut

15 days ago

How can anyone even think this is disrespectful?

Donna D.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Native Americans have a long and proud history in the United States, and this area of CT. I see the Indian mascot as a symbol of pride and fortitude.

Nancy N.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I graduated from Watertown High and this was a traditional mascot. It's a peaceful Native American.

Beth B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I have lived my whole life in this town. The mascot should remain as a symbol of our school, our memories and our children's memories

Chris P.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Because of my Native American background

Lucien P.

Connecticut

15 days ago

because we need to preserve our past. good or bad. whether you agree or not !

Tomas L.

Connecticut

15 days ago

As a Native American I am proud to have our Heritage used as mascots. It is not offensive to me or nor anyone I know.

name not displayed

Connecticut

15 days ago

It's getting out of hand. This is in good taste. Preserve the mascot.

Donna C.

Connecticut

15 days ago

My child attends this school and it is important to them . There is nothing racial in this name and is reminiscent in fact ,

Michael B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I'm sick and tired of our history and traditions being erased. At all levels.

Bob C.

Connecticut

15 days ago

The Indians sold the land to the Judd Family I believe. Watertown still honors the indians with our high school mascot reminding us where we came from. Who came out of their basement with the idea to change it?

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Connecticut

15 days ago

Proud to be a Watertown Indian! Go orange and black!

Tracey J.

Connecticut

15 days ago

It's been a part of Watertown for years, why do we have to keep on giving in to people.

Patricia B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

1974 graduate. Proud to be a Watertown Indian. There is no reason to change our mascot. No disrespect was ever shone to our Watertown Indian. He represents honor, bravery and respect as far as I have know. Leave him be.

Francis. D.

Connecticut

15 days ago

90% are for keeping it the same ,we are still a Democratic country.

Anita G.

Connecticut

15 days ago

As a 1980 Watertown High graduate, I always looked on our Indian mascot as a source of pride. His profile was very regal and when we played sports, we were fierce like our mascot. Please keep our Indian mascot so we can continue to show our respect to the Native Americans of this country. DO NOT GIVE IN TO CANCEL CULTURE!!

We should have images of all races & creeds in everyday life as long as they are respectful.

SHERRY L.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I'm a 1988 graduate, proud to call myself an Indian alumni. I played sports and had no issue with our mascot!

Mia F.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I cheer for the Indians!

Mike W.

Connecticut

15 days ago

This issue is important time because people are loosing their minds in our country by trying to change things over "hurt" feelings. I call bullshit on it

name not displayed

Connecticut

15 days ago

It's not disparaging a race. It's acknowledging they are an integral part of Connecticut history.

Shelley S.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I graduated from WHS and being an "Indian" was a source of pride. I don't believe any of us thought it was disrespectful.

Jessica H.

Connecticut

15 days ago

It's important for the kids to show not everything needs change.

George B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Keeping the name celebrates the tribes of ct. Friends and family attend the school. Please tell me the indians that are offended. Researc proves otherwise <https://noqreport.com/2020/07/03/9-out-of-10-native-americans-arent-offended-by-the-washington-redskins-name/>

Kelly S.

Connecticut

15 days ago

1985 graduate. Proud to be an Indian. There was never anything disrespectful here. This mascot was chosen in honor of those who inhabited the Watertown area before us.

Ronald B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Keeps our history of these brave Indians alive  
name not displayed

Connecticut

15 days ago

The logo is respectful and part of history. Let's learn not erase.

Elaine S.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Important to my friends

Alan W.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I believe the residents of Watertown should stand tall and be proud to represent the Paugasuck Indians. The Paugasuck sold their land to Thomas Judd and 35 other proprietors back in 1684 and I'm sure they would be very proud to know the residents of Watertown can't thank the tribe enough for all the great memories already shared and in the future. If it wasn't for those "INDIANS", Watertown wouldn't exist. I'm sure Thomas Judd and his fellow proprietors would be more than proud to see where and what Watertown has become. Their vision is still alive and well today. Go INDIANS !!!

Amy L.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Tradition unites us!! Continue the WHS Indians legacy!!

Dawn V.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I'm a proud graduate of WHS, class of 1988. This mascot has always been a proud symbol & is rich in heritage & culture. To dismantle it would be offensive!!

Rachael H.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I am Native American. I am not at all offended. I purchased my home here 4 yrs ago and I recently bought my Watertown Indians windbreaker which I proudly wear.

Marion c.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Did 12 years of schooling in Watertown school system and its our history name not displayed

Connecticut

15 days ago

This is our proud legacy. Never once have I seen anyone use the Tomahawk chant that you speak of or dress as an Indian. Maybe for Halloween but that would be two different circumstances. Class of 1980

Rosanne M.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I have gone to Watertown High. It has always been Watertown Indians. It is Native American.

Michael T.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I played football and was proud to put on that jersey and represent the Indians just like many more before me

Dave C.

Connecticut

15 days ago

It's a symbol of strength...

Cheryl O.

Connecticut

15 days ago

My whole family has grown up in Watertown and I feel there is no reason to change it now.

Elsie A.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I grew up in Watertown and would like to see things be consistent for other generations to come

Charles B.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I am Native American, and trying to keep this culture alive as long as possible. And people need to be educated.

Kristin K.

Connecticut

15 days ago

It haz been our mascot forever. No reason all of a sudden to change it. People are bej g stupid all over the country.

Dont be followers!

Anthony S.

Connecticut

15 days ago

I went to the school and it should not be changed

Collin M.

Connecticut

15 days ago

Was my mascot when I went to Watertown. Holds a special meaning

Stephen B.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Former teacher

Sandy I.

Connecticut

16 days ago

I don't believe all should be canceled,for some. My school,my opinion .This has to stop,NOW

Tina B.

Connecticut

16 days ago

As a graduate of Watertown High School, my family dates back to Rev War here. We take pride Our Indian ancestors who farmed this earth before us

Melody O.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Attended Watertown High School . The mascot will always be a Indian.

name not displayed

Connecticut

16 days ago

The logo is not offensive

Raymond M.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Why , is the Ct Indian populace offended? If so, I haven't heard it.

Paul W.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Honoring my high school heritage.

Barbara B.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Many years ago - class of '64 - we were proud to be Indians - Yes, proud, brave and strong - we were a team - our voices could be heard loud and clear - "We are the Indians - mighty mighty Indians!" It should be heard forever . . .

Gretta B.

Connecticut

16 days ago

We were proud to be Indian warriors. It is a tribute to their culture

name not displayed

Connecticut

16 days ago

Honor and respect the past...no need to erase it

Stephen E.

Connecticut

16 days ago

The name Indians was given to our school I firmly believe out of respect for the Native Indians. I don't think that the name should be changed

hailey b.

Connecticut

16 days ago

I went to this High School as well as my entire family.. it would be ruining the family tradition if they changed the mascot.

Carol A.

Connecticut

16 days ago

Because I am sick and tired of people trying to change history in so many ways!!!!

Robert W.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Tired of all the pc bs

Lisa L.

Connecticut

17 days ago

I'm native American and I am not offended at all.

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

No reason to change the mascot after all these years. Not offensive to anyone!!

Lydia A.

Connecticut

17 days ago

I think having a Watertown Indian mascot was respectful of American Indians, and was a symbol to students to look up to that mascot, and be strong and proud.

Donna R.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Proud Watertown High School Indian class of 1982. Leave the mascot alone. There is nothing disrespectful about it. Overly sensitive PC cry babies.

Colette D.

Connecticut

17 days ago

This is what they chose for there Mascot This has nothing to do with racial discrimination. I'm sure Indians are proud of there strong heritage.. I wish this would all just stop.

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Proud to be a WHS Indian! Our mascot represents strength and bravery!

Kara G.

Connecticut

17 days ago

It has been that way for so many years and why change it now. It was never intended to be racial. People are acting overly sensitive and making up things just to cause trouble and "make a statement" it's all unnecessary. We would have to make a lot of changes in this entire world to suit everyone and make everyone happy which is impossible.

Loti L.

Connecticut

17 days ago

I went to this school , my daughter attended WHS and to me bring a Wtn Indiana meant we were strong and resilient. It was an honor and a tribute to the American Indian , not an insult !!!!!!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

I don't know any Native Americans that are outraged about the mascot existing, if anything you'll see more outraged Natives for removing the mascot for no reason. Even then the native population isn't that high here so that won't even make a difference anyways. If anything isn't it more offensive that they would want to remove an American Indian/ Native American mascot symbolizing pride and strength? Watertown High School is known for its Indian mascot and I appreciate the fact that it still exists at this moment, but I mean this is the decay of Indian / Native mascots for no reason now.

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Connecticut

17 days ago

Class of '84

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Connecticut

17 days ago

WHS Indians needs to stay! Alumni 1980 ,1983 , 2018

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Being an athlete alumni, it was a symbol of pride!

Joe M.

Connecticut

17 days ago

The logo doesn't disparage anyone. It is simply a symbol of years past. How can such a benign symbol be offensive?

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

As an alumni this is apart of Me.

Krystyne M.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Because it is where I attended school. Its tradition.&no body want to say... Well when i was there they WERE the Indians.

Jason Z.

Connecticut

17 days ago

You cannot change History you can only learn from the past. Once something has changed there is no History.

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Connecticut

17 days ago

I feel we shouldn't erase history.

lillian b.

Connecticut

17 days ago

i am native american and i don't believe this is racist it doesn't hurt or bother me in anyway i feel like it shows about native americans

Sara B.

Connecticut

17 days ago

My family is Native American

Ken J.

Connecticut

17 days ago

I loved being a "indian" at WHS

Donna M.

Connecticut

17 days ago

My opinion of the Watertown Indian mascot has always shown that the Indian nation was made up of great strong Warriors. I felt that the Watertown Indian mascot always honor these great people and the Watertown Indians strived to be just has strong and honorable.

jeffrey d.

Connecticut

17 days ago

It is important to keep the mommies of our history, and not to make a discussion in hast.

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

I think that it shouldn't be taken seriously. It's just an Indian mascot! Every school has a different one, and I feel that ours is the most unique!

Sharon R.

Connecticut

17 days ago

My great grandfather moved to Woodbury directly off a MA reservation. Please stop erasing this history.

Bailey M.

Connecticut

17 days ago

I graduated as a watertown Indian! And I don't ever want it to change!!!! This school stands for hard work and integrity

John G.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Cancel culture needs to stop.

Patrick F.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Yes

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Watertown Indians!!! Past, present and future. LET'S GO WATERTOWN INDIANS

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Because cancel culture is ridiculous.

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

WHS Alumni Class of 2005

Mandy C.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Alma mater. I'm of native American ancestry and find the proposal to change this ridiculous. Our school deserves to keep the name it has started with.

Diana M.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Hometown

Amanda S.

Connecticut

17 days ago

No reason to change it!! It's been the Indians for decades! Now all of a sudden people have a problem with it!

♀□

Joshua D.

Connecticut

17 days ago

Graduated in 09' and don't think this affects as many people as some want to think. Keep it!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Because our mascot was never a point of mockery; it was a symbol of pride, respect and class.

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

I will always be a Watertown Indian!

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

People who are trying to change this need to get a life and have too much life on their hands...

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

Alumni who moved out of state are trying to change our town and history. They need to stay out of state and worry about themselves instead of causing issues in places they don't even live just so they can feel important

name not displayed

Connecticut

17 days ago

This cancel culture needs to stop. I have native Americans on both sides of my family and am not offended

Chad T.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Grew up in watertown...

Gary P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It's sad what this world has come too and this is what we are leaving the next generation! Pitiful!!!

Michael c.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Class of 1982 Best times of my life being an Indian

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Connecticut

18 days ago

I won't be apart of cancel culture.

Flo R.

Connecticut

18 days ago

This mascot has been with us forever. Everything has been about it no point to get rid of it. The children in the schools will be devastated

Jessica P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown High was an amazing part of my life All sports Let's not change now

Susan P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Alumnus

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown Indians graduate and proud to be part of the mascot!! Class of '94

Linda N.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown High Class of 1978

Kristen "

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown has never disrespected the Native Americans and it was never the intention to disrespect this group of people by using the indian head as our mascot . I was and will always be honored to be a Watertown "Indian" . The

use of the Indian head is the epitome of inclusion and in my opinion it is disrespectful to the native Indian population and the community to insinuate otherwise. Removing the Indian logo actually lessens their importance and inclusion within our town and community.

Jason G.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Alumni

Tabitha Y.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to WHS and they will always be the Watertown Indians

James B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

The Indian mascot is a symbol of pride and the willingness to be tough through tough times as a high school student and that helps later in life

Cindy H.

Connecticut

18 days ago

My alumni

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Proud Watertown Indian graduate!! Go Indians 100 pride

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

i wish everyone would shut up. it's been the mascot for ages why are you trying NOW to change it. just ridiculous and focus on important matters not the highschool mascot.

Kelly M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

As a Watertown High School alumni, I have always been proud to be a WHS Indian. The mascot is not offensive, it's a tribute to American heritage, which should not be erased.

Kimberly P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

There are so many important topics to be concerned about at this moment. I am proud to be raising my children in the town that my husband was raised. I did not have such luck as a child... be proud of the mascot and how it became. Appreciate...let's focus on helping others and more important matters.

Nicole C.

Connecticut

18 days ago

stop being offended. Stop erasing history. Im a proud Watertown Indian, class of 2003!

Albion M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I want to protect my school

Fation A.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Merka'

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Not offensive at all!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Because it's a part of Watertown! I was a WHS Indian and so was my mom. It is not racist at all and unless the Native Americans find it offensive and want us to change it then leave it alone. You can't change history, you can just learn from it. People need to stop being so offended!

Richard N.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Because it is important to other people. Why should it change? What impact is it really having on someones life? Does it really hurt someone so much that the Watertown High School Has their mascot as The Indians? Why should this mascot/name affect someone so much the name should be changed even though it has no affect on someones life? Why not just keep it The Watertown Indians? Because now if you change the name, you need to spend more money to changed everything in the town. All the Watertown Indian shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, hats, lanyards, tank tops. They all need to be changed and will no longer be of use. Why waste ALL that money to just change a name that has no affect to someones life? But the money spending can affect someones life, that can hurt someone financially. There should be no need to change the name, keep the name. Stay positive, stay awesome!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Traditional mascot, in no way disrespectful to native Americans

Stephen M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Attended all Watertown School. Maskott represents strength,this is not & shouldn't be considered racist to an American Indian.

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Connecticut

18 days ago

100% Watertown Indians supporter!! People need to educate themselves!! It's part of Watertown

Anthony M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I'm part Native American and graduated fro WHS. This is ridiculous and I'm not an offended snowflake like these white liberal babies.

Erika L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Because it's racist

Bob B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Its all BS

Roberta S.

Connecticut

18 days ago

So much history is being torn down it's a shame. I believe the Indians were an inspiration for the fight in the football field as well as fights for their lands.

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown Indians 100% its an honor to our town. History is beautiful and should be cherished!!

Lucinda L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Our town was founded on Native American soil and our original culture in this area should be remembered, not erased.

Jillian L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I attended WHS & I feel that we always represented our school & our mascot with class & pride. I feel that all students have done so & continue to do so. The mascot is named so in honor of Native Americans & meant as homage to their culture.

Lynn M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to Watertown High . It was always the Indians. Keep it the Indians

Chris M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

the pride of being a Watertown Indian has tons of important meanings. We represented and honored Indians every time we took the fields/ courts. Indians are known for being warriors, having pride, honor, dignity and self- respect.

Alane P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

My High School! Stop messing with the names!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

This is not offensive. It's a mascot. That's a positive thing.

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

The mascot is part of the history and heritage of this town and school. To remove it, would get rid of that legacy and tribute paid to Native Americans. This name is not in jest of Native Americans like some are trying to push that narrative.

Thomas V.

Connecticut

18 days ago

History and heritage

monique s.

Connecticut

18 days ago

it's been our mascot for years!

John Q.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Proud alumni and state champs in football

Yall A.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It's not. Why sign any anti petition to a serious racial issue?

Lindsay P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I think as a person who grew up in town knowing so many families that live there for generations; and continue to live there for future generations. It is important in the family ties they may have to the town.

Andrew K.

Connecticut

18 days ago

tradition, respect, and empathy can all occur at the same time.

Tricia M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to Watertown High from 1990 to 1994. Changing the mascot is erasing history. Absolutely ridiculous!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Indian Pride nothing offensive!!!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Stop trying to erase history.

Christine F.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I am a 1985 proud Watertown High grad.. I was proud to be an Indian and still am ..

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Indians should be proud This is a good thing Not a bad thing There is nothing offensive about an Indians representing a school Nor should there be

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Growing up with this mascot, no one is disrespectful towards native Americans so there should be no issue with keeping the mascot.

Stephanie K.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I grew up in Watertown and graduated from Watertown High School. I loved being an Indian and do not find this mascot offensive at all. Indians are part of America's history and is not a derogatory mascot name.

Mary B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

My grandkids are all in the Watertown school system. This is just ridiculous it's been a symbol for years and years there's nothing wrong with it it's not offending anybody everybody is just trying to be politically correct just stop it please

Al N.

Connecticut

18 days ago

They lived here at one time and its away to remember them

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown Indians... to is a sign of pride, perseverance and fortitude. Sting symbol for a town with great honor in its history.

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown Indians <sup>100</sup> no need to change history. Proud to be part of Watertown Indians and support it fully

Angela D.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Bc that's who we are!! Watertown Indians!!

Amy B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Keep history!!

Jason F.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Because it is a trademark of our town.

Catherine G.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It's been the same mascot for many many years & I see no reason to change it - so many things they want to change now and it is NOT for the better

David H.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It's been the Indians for a long time and should remain that way

Matthew W.

Connecticut

18 days ago

This is my high school I was an athlete and proudly a member of the WaterOak indians i would wear the orange and black with pride dont take away our memories and history

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Watertown Indians 100 proud for what it stands for!! Learn the facts ppl

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Connecticut

18 days ago

Haven't we erased enough of the Indians from this land?! If they aren't the Indians anymore they are gonna be some lame animal or something just leave it the way it is and stop getting offended by things that don't effect you, if the Indians cared they would petition to get rid of it ugh

Anne M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

The Indian Mascot represents the history of Watertown High...

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Connecticut

18 days ago

Don't erase history!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

We all need to cancel "Cancel Culture"!!!!

Nicole G.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Its been that way for years, we grew up in this small town, everyone is still friends, 30+yrs. and still talk. Why would you change our gear watertown indians? We still all all our coaches! Its tradtion!! Leave it alone!

Jennifer G.

Connecticut

18 days ago

History cannot be erased. The name is something to be proud of.

Steve L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I'm from here and graduated

Jessica M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

This has been the mascot forever! I was an Indians cheerleader! Some of the best days of my life, and so many others!! Don't change the mascot!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

Proud of the Watertown Indians!!! Class of '99

Julie P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

My 3 sons graduated from WHS..and the mascot represents the school.

Brian S.

Connecticut

18 days ago

To me it's a honor respecting the Indian!

Tom W.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I played Football for 7 years as a Watertown Indian. It is a proud symbol and not negative. GO INDIANS  
name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

It stands for Bravery. Why change history? Those who want to change it should learn the history about it 1st.  
Watertown Indians [100](#)

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

I was a WHS graduate and I was and still proud to wear the Indian name/logo

John D.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Proud tradition

Dara R.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I was proud to be a Watertown Indian. It represents strength, courage, respect and camaraderie in honor of Native  
American Indians

Justin Z.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Tradition and hx

Jay B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It is by no means offensive but honors the Indian nation. We need to stop trying to change history and learn from the  
past.

John D.

Connecticut

18 days ago

There isn't a reason to change the name. WE are the Watertown Indians. Don't let people try to erase history.  
Indians are known for being resistant, powerful, strong & determined. This is why we are called the Watertown  
Indians.

Kelly S.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to high school here my niece goes here now it's always been the Indians won't be the same

Rosemary M.

Connecticut

18 days ago

It's the history Been the mascot forever Something's have to change This dose t

Larry B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

The mascot honors the Indian culture representing their courage and strength

Laura D.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Proud to be an Indian

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Connecticut

18 days ago

I'm an alumni & this is part of OUR history!!!

Hannah K.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Because I grew up a watertown resident and we have always been identified as watertown Indians! It's not racist it's our town culture and identity. If it were "redskins" then I see how it could be taken offensively. However the term "Indians" is not offensive to Native American culture whatsoever.

David B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Stop the left from erasing anything they don't agree with.

Carla D.

Connecticut

18 days ago

That has been WHS mascot forever - that describes Watertown...

Mark L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

'76 WHS grad. Indian logo has been part of the History and Culture of Watertown High School and should remain as a symbol of pride and respect for our memories.

Lori C.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Its part of our history

Heather N.

Connecticut

18 days ago

wamogo is talking about doing the same. As a graduate, we were proud to be warriors. I do not understand the need to remove all of these Mascots. Ridiculous!

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Connecticut

18 days ago

It's offensive to my Native American heritage to think they want to erase our existence

Ashley C.

Connecticut

18 days ago

We have always been the Indians!

Sherlie V.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I am a child that grew up in Watertown school districts. I am 31 one there shouldn't be a reason why this mascot needs to change now. It never was an issue when us children were going to school. Keep the mascot so many things are changing in this world and it seems way to normal.

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Connecticut

18 days ago

1983 graduate, no need to change, people need to be more educated. Shouldn't go around changing every name because they are offended.

John c.

Connecticut

18 days ago

This logo/ Mascot was intended to show reverence to the strength and determination demonstrated the the Native Americans and NOT in any way to be offensive but to show respect for a native nation. Class of 1970

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Connecticut

18 days ago

Do not believe in cancel culture.

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Connecticut

18 days ago

Class of 1987

Amanda S.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I grew up in Watertown and went to Watertown High. You can't change it! We all have too many memories cheering on the football players at games and having pep rally's.

Barbara G.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Indians have been their name for ever and it doesnt offend anyone

Pauline R.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Leave it alone. There's no need to change it . It is not offensive . People have nothing better to do than stir up issues. Class of '82

Scott S.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Tradition!

Linda P.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to Watertown High school. The mascot was part of the positive energy when cheering on sports and school events.

Donald H.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I am a proud watertown indian!

Luigi V.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Player Coach Pride bottom line Indians is a mascot of respect

Marie B.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I don't believe any part of history should be erased ,torn down or destroyed

Cynthia R.

Connecticut

18 days ago

This is our Mascot and should stay that way

Michael C.

Connecticut

18 days ago

Its a ridiculous cause its not offensive

Claudette L.

Connecticut

18 days ago

We are the Indians! Stop taking our history away!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

18 days ago

We CANNOT delete history, This in no way is offensive. It pays respect to once was.

Leonard R.

Connecticut

18 days ago

I went to WHS & Graduated Class of 98, I like This mascot!!

Jorge F.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because there's no good reason to change the name. Let's not be bandwagon jumpers, let's stand proud for what has been in place for centuries. It's the right thing to do. Just because someone has an opinion doesn't mean that it has to be set in stone. Indian for life 94'

Jamie V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I went to school there!! It's represents the school

Carley C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I grew up as a water oak Indian and being native american i am damn proud of it. This is one of thr many reasons i moved back here . Keep the mascot!!

Jillian C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I'm an alumni and I've been saying we should change it for a hot minute

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

The only people who want to remove this name are white apologists who have SJW profile picture filters and feel bad for being white. As a Native American, I and more of my fellow tribesman are honored to have a team named after us. Never forget, the same white social justice warriors who call everyone stupid on Facebook are the same people that will secure the minority vote on November 3rd, only to leave them in the dust until November of 2024.

John V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This depiction honors the native Americans.

Gina V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Its to pay homage to the indigenous people of America...i believe it honors them and their traditions

Deborah D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated from Watertown High in 1977

Allyson B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My town my history my schooling! Keep the indian! Watertown was founded by indians and i have always respected that.

Mary V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

The Indian is the symbol of great pride and American spirit!

Robert L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Ecause I am sick and tired of this cancel culture BS. I am Native American and I absolutely approve of the mascot of the Watertown Indians!!!

Marissa B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's a part of History. I want my kids to be a Watertown Indian just like their parents!!

Patrick P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Cancel culture sucks!

Lily D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Support for my bf!

Harry O.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Indians are a sign of strength and pride

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Connecticut

19 days ago

I don't want the school mascot name to change. Those that have a problem can make their own school and call their mascot whatever they want.

Jane E.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This is the high school I went to and that is the mascot we had. I would hate to see it change.

Marco P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's ridiculous, this is offending no one!!

Tammy S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It was never a symbol of racism, I'm proud to be a Watertown Indian. Simple as that...

Brian C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Alumni Class of 87

Ann C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This stuff is getting ridiculous !

Barbara Z.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Indians are not offended by the representation why should anyone else.

Harry S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because I've attended and graduated from this school, so did my folks and grand folks and it's ALWAYS BEEN AND ALWAYS WILL BE THE MASCOTT

Roxann m.

Connecticut

19 days ago

it has been the mascot forever!

Meliss B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It shouldn't be changed

Bruce T.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Watertown High School, Class of '72

Goose G.

Connecticut

19 days ago

WATERTOWN GOOSE GEESERS ALL THE WAY!

Alexis S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I attended Watertown Public Schools from Grades k-12, graduated class of 2016. Everybody has always known Watertown,CT as home to the "Indians." Hate to see it go. Would be completely changing history!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Go Watertown Indians!! It's been around for so long & my family has attended for generations. Keep the same name!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Can't erase history. It's a name of honor. Stop this nonsense. I'm Native American and it's more insulting that they want to change it!

Jessica P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

People need to get over themselves. This is not offensive and should be kept.

Earl M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

The mascot is an honor to the native people. What is next? Changing city and town names. I say let's draw the line in the sand here.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

I believe in preserving our heritage, not reasing or trying to correct it. Native Americans should be celebrated, not "cancelled."

Georgann P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition

Melissa H.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I went to school and grew up in Watertown and it have personal value. It is a symbol of where and what we have done

Andy S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Not reason to change name Indians represents pride power and courage

Wendy o.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition!!!! My High School!!!! My mother worked there for 28 years. This is my almamater!!

Mike R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's been the mascot for years, so what's the purpose of changing the name?

Lauren H.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Watertown Indians for life

Odet S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I don't want history to be erased.

Jennifer K.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated from this school and the Indian stands for more than just a mascot. Leave history where it belongs at Watertown High...

Rich B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Keep the tradition!!

David P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

We have been the Watertown Indians Changing it now would take away from the town history and our memories of how it was

Michele V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because I had this mascot since I was a child and it's by far offensive. This needs to stop!!!!

Marci C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I grew up in this town and it's always been the Watertown Indians. People need to stop being so crazy! Leave it alone!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's important for all of my American Indian Friends. Get rid of this and what? Replace it with a white person? Or an animal? We have family history at this school and surround it with memories and class rings. All would be cancelled and that's sad and tragic for the former and current students

Don T.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because it is

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Liberals are destroying this country little by little! Long live the Watertown Indians!!! I'm very much Native American, family on the reservation and all, and I played football for the Watertown Indians, the name never offended my family or I! Keep the name, lets worry about more important things!!!

Paul W.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because I grew up in Watertown and was honored to play sports and wear that uniform with the Indian logo. I played my heart out each and every game.

Erin K.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because we don't want our history cancelled. The Indian mascot is honoring native americans - not disparaging them. The teams hope to be strong and dignified like the native american people.

Tammy D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

because you are erasing history!!

Nancy C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's been a traditional connection to Watertown. The name has no racist or derogatory statement whatsoever in the hearts of of students faculty family friends.. this is not necessary

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

No need to change the history of the school because of a few complainers. The name is not offensive and we must stop this nonsense.

Diane C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I went to WHS class of 1980, I am offended by the notion that a mascot could "impede" an education, if that's the argument, perhaps a look at the persons teaching and their messages should be considered???

Rebecca C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I am part native american and the name is not at all offensive.

Joe D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's history so leave it alone!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Lived in Watertown all my life. My family, immediate & extended graduated from WHS along with my children. Was always proud to be an Indian, never out of disrespect but honored & proud.

Brenda L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's my school,,,,,

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Class of 75 ,Changing the mascot solves nothing but erasing our history

Cathy G.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because i am an alumna as are 3 of my 4 children. They all have letter jackets and gave their all to their sports. I feel that the Indian is a tribute to the Native American people rather than a racial insult. I 100% support keeping the Indian mascot

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

This will always be my hometown and high school. Do not change it for us.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

My husband and his whole family went to school in Watertown

Linda R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because it has always been this way and when it was initiated no harm was meant.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

The name honors our native indians in this area. You shouldn't try to change history. Enough is enough!

Kelly W.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I have Native American in my blood, I am also Alumni from Watertown, as will my daughter...we are PROUD to be the INDIANS!!!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Shouldn't even be a topic, people need to worry about more important things in life. It's a great mascot and I am proud to be a Watertown Indian. If you are offended then too bad. Some people are a bunch of sensitive cry babies and need to relax.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's a part of this town. Take pride in wearing the uniform

Rebecca B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I grew up in Watertown, my entire family graduated from this school and so did I in 1992, the mascot is an Indian, this is what it's been since my uncle 73 yrs of age was, why does it need to change now.

Cheryl D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Once a Watertown Indian always a Watertown Indian!!!

Dorothy K.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Graduate of WHS the Indian logo has been part of the History and Culture of Watertown High School and should remain as a symbol of pride.

Cindy G.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's a symbol of strength. It's history.

Janine R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's a part of my past. Very proud to have been a part of Watertown High Indians.

Carla U.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This is my home town. We are Indians.

Jnessa L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It is ridiculous that we have to change history! It makes absolutely no sense to do this

Kimberly C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

The Indian is a symbol of pride. No disrespect was ever meant! Those who have been and are currently Watertown Indians show respect and are honored to be called so!

Walter J.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Played sports in there, the Indian has been part of Watertown for better than 50 years.

Judy D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Graduate of 1979. Indians always

Chris S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Time to cancel the cancel culture

Martine C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My dad and uncle went to this high school I support Indians

Kenny T.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Part of Watertowns history, we are proud Indians

Julianne A.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I was a Watertown High School Indian, Class of 1993

Hope F.

Connecticut

19 days ago

We are the Watertown Indians!!

Drew L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's a symbol of water come pride

Alison L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I am a 1980 graduate of WHS, and I am proud to be a Watertown Indian. It showed honor and respect, it taught honor and respect. Those are 2 things I carried forward in teaching my children. Please leave our mascot be, it is part of our heritage.

Mike R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's about paying homage. It's not offensive.

Melissa R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I am proud to be a Watertown INDIAN!

Craig O.

Connecticut

19 days ago

As a 1976 WHS Grad I wore the Indian logo w pride. There's nothing demeaning to native americans if a symbol is worn w pride. My grandfather, my father were 3 sport captains for the Indians ! I was the soccer team captain . Keep it, keep the tradition !

Nick P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Class of 89. Proud Indian, always will be. This is a ridiculous stunt.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's history. We don't have to change everything because everyone wants to be politically correct. That is why our country is in constant turmoil. Leave it alone.

Cristina N.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because this is what they are known as. Why be so offended after all these years?!

Michael M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's part of the heritage and history of the town.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

I grew up in this town and was a water oak indian

Meghan V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My son plays Football for the Water oak Indians

Ronald N.

Connecticut

19 days ago

There is nothing wrong with the mascot. I'm tired of everything being trampled by "cancel culture". It's time to cancel them

Eric V.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Proud WHS, Conservative Patriot, who's sick of this beta-male cancel culture bs!

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Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition

Tina R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated from Watertown High School in 1986 and I am proud of our Indian.

James M M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I Played on the Indians football team. These people have a warped sense of right and wrong.

Melissa R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because I went to school at Watertown high and we were proud of the Watertown Indians. It has history. Can't let this crybaby generation ruin it. This is why they should have never started everyone getting a participation trophy.

You win some and you lose some that's life deal with it.

Donna R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

History

Jillian B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Ive been a life long resident of this town. Cant imagine it being anything else but the Water-Oak Indians!

RICHARD C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My Grandfather was a Watertown High School Indian baseball player in 1915.

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Connecticut

19 days ago

It's my home and my high school.

Brian A.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition

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Connecticut

19 days ago

Class of 1979

Laurie B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This was my mascot when I went there. Class of 77

Matthew N.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Its not racist, its apart of the towns history, leave it alone

Tom w.

Connecticut

19 days ago

TRADITION

Angela P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

1984 WHS grad... the mascot is not disrespectful & should be left as is.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Watertown honors the Indians with their mascot. No need to change whats been done for many years.

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Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated from WHS and never found the mascot to be racist. It is part of watertown's history and should remain.

Don L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My high school and we took pride in our mascot. We won a state championship in 1997 and I will always be a proud

Watertown Indian.

Joseph G T.

Connecticut

19 days ago

As part native american I don't find it at all offensive

Melanie T.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I am an Alumni Of Watertown High and It should not be removed . Leave it alone . It's history and has meaning to many .

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

We should not not erase the history of our town by changing its original mascot. Generations of families that live here have been Watertown Indians and are prideful of the Indian as our symbol. Labeling the "Indian" as a shameful mascot, in my opinion, only creates shame for those who call it shameful. We celebrate the Indians and Native American culture and hold them up by choosing them as our symbol. Watertown Pride = Watertown Indians. Don't let them make it shameful.

Amy C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Graduated here. It was never a racial problem. They were the first Americans, not us.

Jeff S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's where I went to school.

Brian Z.

Connecticut

19 days ago

My family lives in Watertown

Gloria F.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Our juds went through all Watertown Schooks, Indians Mascot is an important part of High School year

Vern P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Class of '79 grad.

Marco S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's important because it's the town history, also if no tribes have approached the school for it to be removed then why are we even debating it? Native Americans are proud of these things.

Louann C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It shows respect. Keep our mascot!

Ruth L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Graduated from the high school. Always loved this name and proud of it.

Bob B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Because it was always the Indians, and in no way does that harm anyone! Including an Indian! Stop with the banning of everything! Now to cook toast an Aunt Jemima waffle!

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's been around along time it's also affiliated with the Watertown Indians football with is historically important to Watertown and my family

Richard E B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Class of 1980. The Indian symbol represents Strength. It is not detrimental in anyway

Bill O.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Go Indians!!

Deborah R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It stands for courage, bravery And integrity. It is an honor to be called an Indian not a disgrace

Tom F.

Connecticut

19 days ago

There's no need to destroy Mascots because of a few liberal idiots.

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Connecticut

19 days ago

Its part of Watertown. Its history. Ppl always want to complain. Leave it alone

Jesse m.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This is Watertown history

liberato c.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition !! Was never an issue till this year, leave it be, as a former Indian , our legacy was as warriors

James K.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I am an alumni of Watertown High School and the Indian logo and name have always been a part of the schools history and tradition.

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Connecticut

19 days ago

I feel as though we honor and celebrate the Native American culture by choosing them as our mascot and symbol  
Ken W.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

Tradition

Edward B.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

As a Native American and being from Watertown I always appreciated the history behind the name and never saw an issue with it. I come from Native American background and never under how I could personally be offended by it.

Stephen L.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

Alumni who thinks it's ridiculous we even need a petition to stop this nonsense.

Lynn S.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

Class of 1983

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Connecticut  
19 days ago

Noone ever complained before til now it's ridiculous. Its a slippery slope cause now if one person complains about anything this is what theyll expect

Heidi S.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

I went to Watertown High along with my four siblings and believe it should be left as a way to support the Indian Nation. I am Abenaki and proud to have attended a school that had Indians as a Mascott.

April H.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

I'm a 1989 graduate of WHS. I have lived in this town my entire life. Leave our mascot alone!!!!

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Connecticut  
19 days ago

It is a sign of strength and respect for the native culture.

Jennifer Z.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

The Indian is a respectable symbol of strength. It's the mascot for an awesome high school. This is so disrespectful to remove it! You already took down the amazing sign that Carl Pallokat and his students made years ago.

Peter W.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

I am an Alumni of Watertown High and feel it's time to stop all this BS

Richard E.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

Went to school there graduated in 1974

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Connecticut  
19 days ago

I think it keeps us thinking about America Indians and should be an honor. If we keep changing there will always be something that offends someone, it will never end.

H. Paul H.

Connecticut  
19 days ago

Class of 1968

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Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated class of 70!!! Its always been the mascit!! Just leave it

Ray S.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's been that way for far to long, stop flopping over for liberals

Pat B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Tradition

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

It's been the Indians for a long long time, if you continue to erase everything what is left. It's not disrespectful

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated as a Watertown Indian. I think they should keep the mascot.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

Go Indians!

Peg C.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Kids need traditions.

Melissa P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

It is part of our heritage and for decades players have been proud to play under that name!!!!

Bernie M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I was born and raised in Watertown and went to that high school it is my mascot

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

traditional...

Tim D.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Long standing tradition in Watertown

Lori M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

This has been the Watertown High School mascot forever and it has never offended anyone, so there is really no need to change it now!

Brian B.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Cause it's a huge part of this town and there is nothing negative about it... it seems to offend people for no reason, well taking away offends more people ..

Heather M.

Connecticut

19 days ago

I do not find the Indian mascot offensive. I believe it shows respect for them. The mascot is not shown or treated in a derogatory way. We need to stop erasing our history. Instead teach our history.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

This is RIDICULOUS. Spend time, energy, and money towards better causes. Stop trying to erase history.

name not displayed

Connecticut

19 days ago

I graduated from Watertown High in 2006. The Indian mascot is on my class ring & I think the Indian mascot needs to stay.

Michelle F.

Connecticut

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The Watertown Indians are a part of our town and who we are and where we come from. We all need a feeling of belonging and have as well as have some background about our ancestors. If we erase history, we erase ourselves and our heritage. Please sign and share.

Becky B.

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Hometown Pride

Betty K.

Connecticut

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Class of 1979 always was and always will be Watertown Indian

Amanda F.

Connecticut

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I grew up in Watertown and it wouldn't be the same without the Indian as our mascot.

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Because I grew up in Watertown and went to Watertown High the mascot never bothered me ever!

Steve K.

Connecticut

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I graduated from Watertown in 1995, but only went there my senior year, I came from Soviet Union, now Ukraine when I was 12 and lived in Naugatuck for 4 1/2 years, so I consider myself a Greyhound, even though I graduated from Watertown, but this is history and even as a Greyhound, I think the history should not be changed, but even as a Greyhound for the last four years I've been a true Indian, and these 4 years were real special, I had to root against my Greyhounds on the football field and in the pool, on the basketball floor 4 years ago, and now 4 years are over and I can root for my Greyhounds again, but I don't want to see the Indians to be lost and become something else, that they are not, they are the Indians and should stay as Indians, another thing when I came to Watertown my senior year, all the students and teachers made me feel at home, I didn't feel away, yes I missed all my Greyhounds friends, but Indians new friends it felt like I knew them forever, thanks everyone for that, Watertown is a home of Indians, these special and strong people, and don't know about current graduating class I guess we are talking about Class of 2021, but you can't forget what the last graduating class, Class of 2020 went through, they are the most special class in the history of Watertown, and I'm sure not a single person out of that class, wants to get rid of the Indian, they fought hard and stayed strong, to me they are the heroes and all deserve for that Indian to be there forever and ever, because that what made them strong and get through the hardest time of their lives and High School years, GO INDIANS!!!

Carrie G.

Connecticut

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It's been Indians as long as I could remember. I played sports throughout my entire high school career! Always an Indian!

Cheryl P.

Connecticut

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Because they've always been the Watertown Indians, and I think our kids have been through enough already

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This is long over due.

Debbie P.

Connecticut

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We need to stop trying to give into people who find everything offensive, how many native Americans have actually complained about our mascot? We need to stop all the madness going on!!

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Because we are the Watertown Indians forever. Why wasn't this a problem until now? Keep it.

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Being a school's mascot is a symbol of honor and respect. Removing the Watertown Indian lets younger generations know that they can point to anything, call it "politically incorrect" and have it removed. There is absolutely no reason to remove the school mascot. Those who do not hold Native Americans in high regard may see the Watertown Indian as offensive, but this was never the intention.

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I went to school in Watertown High and mascot never bothered me.

Knol A.

Connecticut

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Heritage

Lisa L.

Connecticut

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Being a WHS graduate, we always held our mascot in high regard. We were & always will be proud to be the Indians. It has never been something that has been made a mockery.

Sheree R.

Connecticut

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It honors the Indian. It is not disrespectful.

Daniel G.

Connecticut

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Grew up my whole life in Watertown/Oakville. I find all this woke/sjw/history hating nonsense to be just that, nonsense

Danielle G.

Connecticut

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I Graduated from Watertown high school. Class of 1996. Keep the Indians mascot!

Kara B.

Connecticut

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Class of '92 !!

Matt H.

Connecticut

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Pamela M.

Connecticut

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A graduate of Watertown high. No need to change ANYTHING

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It's history

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As a graduate of Watertown High this PC change is unnecessary, I had always thought of the Indian tittle meaning Courageous, Brave and Strong,,I believe the town of Westbury early on had some settlements of Native Americans . The name NEVER meant anything or was meant to be derogatory.

Kim C.

Connecticut

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The Indian has been the mascot for years. I think it's an honor to to the American Indians

Stacey L.

Connecticut

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I am a graduate of the Class of 1988. We were the Indians and always will be. I am Proud to be a Watertown Indian.

Nella S.

Connecticut

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Watertown High School Class of 1991 Go Indians!!

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There's no reason to change it. If anything it it shows the grit and fight of Indian warriors. There's nothing racist about it !!!

De'Anna F.

Connecticut

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The Indian has been our mascot since the beginning. Why Change it now. I'm proud to be a Watertown Indian graduate.

Brian B.

Connecticut

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I grew up in Watertown. Raised my children in Watertown. This cancel culture is ridiculous and the Watertown Indian has never been offensive until now. It is part of what Watertown is!

Jennifer V.

Connecticut

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Indians is our school mascot and there is no reason to change it.

Jennifer W.

Connecticut

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Once an Indian always an Indian

Rhonda L.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Raised here....my kids also...we have always been the Indians ...

George F.

Connecticut

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It's part of our history and shouldn't be change because a bunch of 18 year old Confused Immature Snowflakes need a cause !

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We have been WATERTOWN INDIANS forever ! It's a distinguished name

Jennifer G.

Connecticut

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Not every mascot is a symbol of discrimination. Why can't an Indian mean a symbol of strength

Mark F.

Connecticut

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Tradition!! Stop erasing history

Jean C.

Connecticut

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This has been an icon for our town. We have always been the Indians.

Ralph R.

Connecticut

19 days ago

The Indian symbol is one of honor and respect and deserves defending. It is neither racist nor offensive but instead is worn with pride. I did not attend WHS but grew up in town and this cancel culture crap has to END!

Kathy R.

Connecticut

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As an alumni, very important to retain it.

Deanna P.

Connecticut

19 days ago

Born and raised in oakville/watertown i am now 30. My mother and father both lived and grew up in watertown their whole lufe and they were also the indians. I coach pop warner for the town and i cheered at the high school and pop warner for 14 years. I now have a 7 year old daughter who goes to watertown schools and cheers for our town. We are proud to be indians! This is tradion not only for my family but many others!!!!