Through an art competition with the theme, “Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women,” sponsored by the Education, Culture, and Public Relations Committee of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, Keely Oxendine, a 2022 Purnell Swett High School graduate, received the overall winning position. Her art piece depicted six Native American women who were murdered in Robeson County.

Keely’s art also was selected for a billboard display to proclaim justice and bring awareness for the victims and their families.
Native American women are much more likely to be victims of violence than the general population. Native women face murder rates 10 times the national average.

**OUR VISION**

One may say, “It’s not my problem.” The problem may become everyone’s problem. The healing becomes everyone’s healing; otherwise, the problem continues to exist. The problem—a epidemic, so serious, so traumatic, so haunting and so alarming—missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls—is real. The struggle to remember, to say their names, to recognize that this is a national issue that affects all communities, is a critical step in the process of healing and justice for all.

**MISSION**

The mission of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women/People (MMIW/P) is to bring awareness of Indigenous women/people that have been murdered or have gone missing across the United States. Along with acknowledging murdered and missing Indigenous women/people, there is a push to provide support to the families of the victims and encourage Indigenous communities to come together to take a stand in support of protecting our women. The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, along with the Tribal Council, have partnered together to create an awareness billboard. This campaign goal is to spread the message and purpose of awareness boards. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

Any donation amount is greatly appreciated.

- Buffalo (Strength) - $100
- Eagle (Wisdom) - $250
- River (Life Flow) - $50
- Mother Earth (Creation) - $1000

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**YOU CAN HELP**

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**STATISTICS**

Murdered, Indigenous Women - People. Native American women are much more likely to be victims of violence than the general population. Native American women are much more likely to be victims of violence than the general population. Native American women are much more likely to be victims of violence than the general population. Native American women are much more likely to be victims of violence than the general population.

Artwork: "Say My Name" 
Artist: Keely R. Oxendine 
School: Purnell Swett High School

These are the victims represented in the artwork, "Say My Name." It is with great honor that I was given permission from the victims’ families to include and represent each one of the victims. To honor the victims, their unique stories, and their families, I have created a piece of art that represents the loss and pain of each victim. To show respect for the victims and their families, I have included their names in the artwork.

Keaira Breedon (bottom right) 
Morgan Odom (middle right) 
Kimberly Dung (top right) 
Brookda Jones (bottom left) 
Cassey Young (middle left) 
Marlaya Banks (top left) 
School: Purnell Swett High School
Artist: Keeya R. Oxendine 
Artwork: "Say My Name"