Polls show that even the majority of Indians do not feel it is a slur.

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Wellpinit High School, which has a 93% Native American student body, has a football team named Redskins. How is this offensive or a racial slur???

There was an Annenberg poll showing that less than 10% of Native Americans were offended by the "Redskins" name.

I am a Creek Indian, and an American citizen. And my "red skin" is a point of pride.

If Native Americans were really offended by this, then I would be on their side, but they're not.

We would never consider naming a team the 'Blackskins' or the 'Brownskins' or the 'Whiteskins.'

This isn't a word used by natives, that's the point. It's derogatory.

Washington needs to just change the name and get over it. Good grief!

Surely you can take one second to see how others would be offended and respect their opinion.

The truth is, almost all individual North American Indian tribes... are full-force in opposition to the use of the term.

I've heard the true accounts from my relatives who are elders as to where this word originated. It was NEVER used as a term of honor or respect.

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This issue is like Benghaz... media driven controversy that most regular people don't care about.

I've always hated that name! I'm Native by the way! It sure has been a derogatory term around my res! Just as bad as n*g*r

The dialogue surrounding the "Redskins" name controversy is polarizing to both sides, the polls and statistics ambiguous, and the opinions as rousing as ever. Centuries of Native American tradition and heritage are fighting against the multi-billion dollar business of American major league sports. The online commentary models this divide—with both sides speaking passionately and neither willing to compromise. A debate growing since the team's inception in 1932 continues almost 100 years later.

The Washington Redskins is a professional American football team based in Washington, DC. Established in 1932, it was one of the first professional sports teams to use stereotypical Native American imagery as a part of the team's branding. Since the adoption of the "Redskins" name, an historically derogatory phrase intended to describe Native Americans, the team's name has been the subject of much controversy and scrutiny. Native American groups demand the team's name be removed due to its racist connotations, while Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder states the name will never be changed.

Redskin: noun, slang: Often disparaging and offensive.

1. A North American Indian

nou: 1. An old-fashioned informal name, now considered taboo, for a Native American.