

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL

N.C. INDIAN YOUTH UNITY CONFERENCE

**East Carolina University
GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

June 19-22, 2013

***“Protecting Our Traditions, As We Soar Into the
Future”***

PURPOSE

- * To bring about UNITY among American Indian youth.
- * To provide an opportunity for Indian youth, **ages 14-18, grades 9-12**, and adults who work with them to share ideas, concerns and information.
- * To develop Indian youth leadership and promote positive self-esteem.
- * To assist and inspire our youth toward a more productive life.
- * To expose youth to Indian role models and issues that affect their lives.
- * To promote healthy lifestyles free of tobacco, alcohol and other drug abuse.
- * To expose Indian youth to educational and career opportunities.

SPONSORSHIP

The North Carolina Native American Youth Organization will sponsor the conference in collaboration with the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs' Educational Talent Search Program, the N.C. Tribal and Urban Indian organizations, and the Title VII Indian Education programs.

REGISTRATION/ADDITIONAL FEES

The **registration fee** of **\$175.00** per person includes lodging for three nights in the East Carolina University dormitories (double occupancy), nine meals beginning with the Wednesday lunch through the Saturday breakfast, all conference sessions, materials and breaks. Participants will also receive a conference T-shirt and book bag. **There will be an additional parking fee of \$10 per vehicle including buses. Participants and counties are responsible for paying this fee.**

The registration fee must be returned with the completed conference application to the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs. **The DEADLINE for registration is May 30th.**

Make checks or money orders payable to: ***NORTH CAROLINA NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION (NCNAYO)***. Please note that NCNAYO is registered on the state's eprocurement system.

LODGING

Conference participants will be housed in dormitories at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. There will be two people per room. All rooms are air-conditioned. **Each participant will be responsible for bringing his or her own linens, (sheets, towels, etc.) soap, and toiletries.**

ART & ESSAY CONTEST

Art entries will be judged in categories of paintings, drawings, pottery and beadwork. The deadline for submitting art entries is **June 19, 2013**.

Essay entries must be written on the conference theme and consist of 300-500 words. The deadline for submitting essay entries is **June 19, 2013**. The winning essay will be read at the awards banquet.

SPORTS EVENTS

Athletic events this year will include coed basketball and volleyball. A "4 on 4" basketball tournament will be held on Wednesday afternoon.

MISS/MISTER NCNAYO PAGEANT

The Annual Miss North Carolina Native American Princess Pageant and Mister North Carolina Native American Prince Pageant will be held Wednesday evening. Contestants will be judged on regalia, talent, evening wear, personal interview and on-stage questioning. The pageant is open to all registered participants. All interested pageant applicants must return the enclosed Princess Pageant application and the **\$25.00** pageant registration by **May 15, 2013** (**no late registrants will be accepted.**)

POW WOW/CULTURAL EXCHANGE

An inter-tribal powwow and cultural exchange will be held on Thursday evening. All students are encouraged to bring their regalia and share their cultural heritage through dancing, drumming, and singing.

NCNAYO SCHOLARSHIPS

Two \$ **500.00** scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors attending the 2013 conference. The scholarship winners will be named at the Awards Banquet on Friday night. The scholarships are made available through NCNAYO's fund raising activities.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Elections will be held for the positions of Chairperson, Vice-Chair, Secretary/Treasurer, Historian and Senior Male and Female Representatives for the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization. Candidates must give brief speeches during the General Assemblies. Elections will be held on Friday, June 21, 2013. The 2012-2013 County/Tribal Representatives for NCNAYO will also be selected at the conference.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

N.C. Indian Youth Conference
P.O. Box 25811
Raleigh, NC 27604-5811
(919) 807-4449 or fax (919) 807-4461
(252) 343-6093 (Cell of Consuela Richardson)

ATTN: MICKEY M. LOCKLEAR, Advisor

The NC Commission of Indian Affairs works in collaboration with the NC Native American Indian Youth Organization (NCNAYO) to sponsor the NC Indian Youth Unity Conference. The NC Commission of Indian Affairs provides staff support to the NCNAYO Officers in terms of conference planning. However, the NC Indian Youth Unity Conference is not a state sponsored event, therefore, the commission is not liable for any expenses or liability associated with the conference. Information used by the commission to advertise and promote the NC Indian Youth Unity Conference was prepared by the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization; therefore, the information contained in it does not reflect the views and opinions of the state of North Carolina.

Elections for the Executive Board of the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization will be held June 21, 2013, at the Indian Youth Conference at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC.

Positions to be elected are chairperson, vice-chair, secretary/ treasurer, historian, senior representatives and area representatives. To qualify for an Executive Board Office, one must meet the following requirements:

1. Candidate must be an underclass student in high school.
2. Candidate for the chairperson must be a rising high school **SENIOR** (Class of 2013).
3. Candidate for senior representative must be a 2013 graduate attending college in the fall.
4. Candidate must be present at the June conference.
5. Candidate must complete the section on the application stating why they want to run for an Executive Office.

The North Carolina Native American Youth Organization (NCNAYO) will provide an excellent opportunity for young Indian men and women to gain valuable experiences through working on projects, researching issues, speaking at Indian and non-Indian conferences, holding press conferences, working to promote unity among Indian groups across the state and nation, meeting with political and civic leaders, and planning the 2013 Indian Youth Unity Conference. This organization will be a vehicle through which Indian youth can better serve their communities; therefore, we encourage Indian tribes and organizations to make an extra effort to assure that their communities have qualified young people running for each of the elective offices.

DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

Executive Board

The Executive Board shall consist of the chairperson, vice-chair, secretary/ treasurer, historian, senior representatives and area representatives.

Chairperson

The chairperson shall preside at all meetings of the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization and the Executive Board shall call special meetings; and shall be ultimately responsible for the leadership and direction of the organization. The chairperson will also represent NCNAYO on the Board of Directors for the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs and United Tribes of North Carolina.

Vice-Chair

The vice-chair shall perform all the duties of the chairperson in his/her absence or at his/her designation; shall appoint all committee chairpersons, with appointees subject to the approval of the Executive Board; and shall be responsible for all committees.

Secretary/Assistant Secretary

The secretary shall keep the minutes of all the meetings and send copies to the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs and to all tribal organizations within two weeks after the Executive Board and/or North Carolina Native American Youth Organization meetings shall handle all assigned correspondence; and

shall maintain attendance records. She/he shall keep the financial records; shall, with the chairperson and Executive Board, develop the annual budget; shall make written quarterly reports; and shall make regular reports on all funds and expenditures.

Historian

The historian shall keep photographic and narrative reports of all NCNAYO activities and make video/power point presentations upon request.

Senior Representatives

The senior representatives shall serve as liaisons between NCNAYO and students who are graduates that year. The senior representatives will act as liaisons between NCNAYO and Native American organizations at all post-secondary institutions.

Area Representative

At least two representatives shall be elected by the individual tribal/county organization representing: Coharie, Eastern Band of Cherokee, Haliwa-Saponi, Lumbee, Meherrin, Occaneechi Band of Saponi Nation, Sappony , Waccamaw-Siouan, Cumberland County Association for Indian People, Guilford Native American Association, Metrolina Native American Association, Triangle Native American Society, and other counties present at the conference.

Please Note:

There will be an additional parking fee of \$10 per vehicle including buses. Participants and counties are responsible for paying this fee.

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East Carolina University
Conference At A Glance

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013

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| 9:00 am – 11:00 | Registration |
| 11:30 am – 12:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm | General Assembly I |
| 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm | Basketball Tournament/Sporting Events |
| 5:15 pm – 6:15 pm | Dinner |
| 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm | Pageant |
| 9:30 pm – 11:30 pm | Talent Show /Get Acquainted Pizza Party |
| 12:00 midnight | Room Curfew/Room Check |

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2013

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| 7:45 am – 8:45 am | Breakfast |
| 9:00 am – 10:00 am | General Assembly II |
| 10:15 pm – 11:15 pm | Workshop Session I |
| 11:30 pm – 12:30 pm | Lunch |
| 12:45 pm – 1:45 pm | Workshop Session II |
| 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm | Workshop Session III |
| 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm | Craft Workshop |
| 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm | Dinner |
| 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Powwow |
| 9:30 pm – 11:30 pm | Clan Activities /Pizza Party |
| 12:00 midnight | Room Curfew/Room Check |

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2013

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| 7:30 am – 8:30 am | Breakfast |
| 8:45 am – 10:00 am | General Assembly III |
| 10:15 am – 11:15 am | Workshop IV |
| 11:30 am – 12:30 am | Workshop V |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | Lunch |
| 1:45 pm – 2:45pm | Workshop VI |
| 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm | Academic/College Fair |
| 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm | Free Time (voting for Officers and Area Reps) |
| 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm | NCNAYO Awards Banquet |
| 9:00 pm –midnight | Dance |
| 1:00 am | Room Curfew/Room Check |

SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2013

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 7:45 am – 8:45 am | Breakfast |
| 9:00 am – 10:30 am | General Assembly IV |
| 10:30 am – 11:00 am | New NCNAYO Representatives' Meeting |
| 11:00 am – 12:00 noon | Checkout |

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NCNAYO 34th ANNUAL INDIAN YOUTH UNITY CONFERENCE APPLICATION **June 19-22, 2013** **East Carolina University**

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

DATE OF BIRTH: ___/___/___ SCHOOL: _____ GRADE: _____

MOTHER’S NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

MOTHER’S WORK PHONE #: _____ FATHER’S WORK #: _____

FATHER’S NAME: _____ TELEPHONE: _____

The information below is needed for statistical purposes only:

TRIBE: _____ SEX: _____

TRIBAL AFFILIATION(S): _____

ROOMMATE PREFERENCE: (no roommate assignments are guaranteed)

Please specify any medical concerns, special diet or disability requiring special arrangements:

Please indicate your workshop choices in order of preference by numbering 1-9 (**for each column**) in the spaces provided. Every effort will be made to honor at least two of your top choices each day. **NOTE: These are subject to change due to the availability of facilitators.**

(Day 2)

- ___ North Carolina Tribal History
- ___ Native Languages
- ___ Powwow Etiquette
- ___ Native Drumming
- ___ Regalia Construction
- ___ Native American Spirituality
- ___ Domestic Violence Prevention
- ___ Healing Communities
- ___ Safe Driving

(Day 3)

- ___ Entrepreneurship
- ___ Youth Rap Session
- ___ College Life
- ___ Academic Preparations for College/Academic Success
- ___ Careers in Teaching
- ___ Preparing for Careers in Medicine
- ___ Careers in Fire/EMS/Police
- ___ Gates Millennium Scholarship/College Funding
- ___ Careers in Military

Why would you like to attend this year's conference? PLEASE EXPLAIN:

Are you interested in running for a N.C. Native American Youth Organization Executive Office? _____

Office of _____

If yes, please explain reasons for running: (*students will be required to give candidate speech.*)

I agree to give my full participation in all sessions and activities of the N.C. Native American Youth Organization Conference and pledge to conduct myself in a manner that will bring only credit to American Indians. In the event of an accident or injury, I will not hold the N.C. Native American Youth Organization or any of its agents, volunteers or other organizations involved in this conference liable. I also agree to pay for any damages I may incur or associated with the room to which I am assigned. The use of tobacco, alcohol or other drugs at the conference or other conduct unbecoming of a conference participant will result in my immediate dismissal from the conference.

Student Signature

Date

I hereby approve the participation of my son/daughter in the N.C. Native American Youth Organization Conference. In the event of illness or accident, I give my consent to do any acts that may be necessary or proper to provide for the health care of the minor child. Also, I hereby release and agree to hold harmless the State of North Carolina and its employees, agents, and officers of the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization and any of its agents, volunteers, or other organizations involved in this conference from any and all claims, including those of our heirs or assigns which may arise from any action or failure to act by any employee, officer, or agent of the State of North Carolina or the N.C. Native American Youth Organization in connection with the participation of our (my) child (PLEASE ENTER CHILD'S NAME ON LINE PROVIDED) _____ in the North Carolina Indian Youth Unity Conference. I also agree to pay for any damages that may be incurred by my child.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Chaperone's Name: _____

Chaperone's Signature: _____

If you are not selected to be a participant, your money will be refunded. **No refunds for cancellations will be given after June 5, 2013.** If you are paying for yourself, send your check to the group you will be coming with and they will pay your fee with the rest of the group from your area. ***The deadline for conference registration is May 30th.*** Artwork and essays can be brought directly to the conference.

Amount Enclosed: _____ T-shirt Size: _____

Please note: **There will be an additional parking fee of \$10 per vehicle including buses. Participants and counties are responsible for paying this fee.**

Mail registration and other conference materials to:

**N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference Coordinator
P.O. Box 25811
Raleigh, NC 27611-5811**

Parent/Guardian

I hereby approve the participation of my son/daughter in the N.C. Native American Youth Organization Conference. In the event of illness/injury, I give consent to do any act which may be necessary or proper to provide for health care of my minor child. In doing this, I agree to relinquish the state of North Carolina and/or its employees and agencies from any claims from participation in the North Carolina Indian Youth Unity Conference.

Should any damages occur, I and/or my son/daughter would accept full responsibility for the cost of repairs/replacements of goods damaged. I am fully aware that the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs or any of its agents or programs therein, will not be held accountable for damages or injuries that my child may incur.

I am aware that my son/daughter will be chaperoned by appropriate adult authorities and agree to give them permission for direct supervision of my son/daughter. Should my child behave in inappropriate and/or unethical practices, I am aware that it is my obligation to pick up my child immediately from the conference. I am also aware that improper behavior might lead to the dismissal of my son/daughter from the conference events, as well as NCNAYO events therein.

Should my son/daughter provide his/her own transportation to the Indian Youth Unity Conference, they will be instructed to release their keys to the appropriate authority, be it chaperons or the conference administrator. I am also aware that the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs will not be held liable for any injuries or accidents by way of transportation or other measures which may incur on the way to the conference or thereafter.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

I can be reached at these numbers:

Day

Night

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Please complete the questions that apply and return with the registration. *FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED.*

AUTHORIZATION TO CONSENT TO HEALTH CARE FOR MINOR & STUDENT 18 AND OLDER

I, _____, of _____ County, _____, am the custodial parent having legal custody of _____, a minor child, age _____, born _____, 19____, **OR** I, _____, of _____ County, _____, authorize the Educational Talent Search staff, in whose care I am or the minor child has been entrusted, located at 116 West Jones Street, Raleigh, N.C., to do any acts which may be necessary or proper to provide for the health care of the minor child or me, including, but not limited to, the power (i) to provide for such health care at any hospital or other institution, or the employing of any physician, dentist, nurse, or other person whose services may be needed for such health care, and (ii) to consent to and authorize any health care, including administration of anesthesia, X-ray examination, performance of operations, and other procedures by physicians, dentists, and other medical personnel except the withholding or withdrawal of life sustaining procedures.

This consent shall be effective from the date of execution to and including June 19-22, 2013.

By signing here, I indicate that I have the understanding and capacity to communicate health care decisions and that I am fully informed as to the contents of this document and understand the full import of this grant of powers to the agent named herein.

Please indicate any need that requires special arrangements/accommodations (i.e. allergies or other conditions):

Please check if special meals are required due to allergies: _____

Hospitalization Insurance Company/Provider

(SEAL)

Hospitalization Insurance Policy/Provider/Medicaid

Custodial Parent

(SEAL)

Date

Participant's Signature (if 18 or older)

Date

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF _____

On this ___ day of _____, ____, personally appeared before me the person named, _____, to me know and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the same and being duly sworn by me, made oath that the statements in the foregoing instrument are true.

Notary Public

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East Carolina University

Greenville, NC

June 19-22, 2013

RULES OF CONDUCT

(MUST BE SIGNED BY PARTICIPANT)

WHEREAS, the NCNAYO Code of Ethics prohibits possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and illegal drugs, or remaining in the presence of individuals who are using or taking illegal drugs; and

WHEREAS, sexual contact at any event or activity occurring within the time frame for the conference is prohibited; and

WHEREAS, any behavior that violates any of the laws of the United States or the State of North Carolina or any local ordinance is also prohibited; and

WHEREAS, the attendance and punctuality of scheduled meetings of the NCNAYO Youth Conference is considered mandatory by all participants; and

WHEREAS, any student driving their own vehicle will be required to give the keys to the NCNAYO Conference Coordinator for the duration of the Conference, and

WHEREAS, the NCNAYO Code of Ethics demands that all participants conduct themselves in a manner representative of American Indian youth, including showing respect for the property of others and the facility in which the Youth Conference is held.

WHEREAS, NCNAYO requires that all participants dress in a manner that is reflective of the American Indian culture and is comparable to the **dress code requirements** at the participant's school. No skirts or dresses are to be worn at the dance. If your religion prevents you from wearing shorts/jeans, you may refrain from the dance or agree to wear shorts under your dress or skirt.

THEREFORE, I _____, agree to abide by all of the rules of the NCNAYO Youth Conference Code of Ethics and am aware that any infraction of the Code will result in my parent(s) being notified. In the event that it is determined that I have violated the Code, I may be sent home. The responsibility for making this determination is vested in the Director of the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs, Educational Talent Search Director or her designee.

This the _____ day of _____, 2013.

(Participant's Signature)