

North Carolina Department of Administration

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N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs Gregory A. Richardson, Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Title VII Indian Education Programs, Tribes and Urban Organizations

FROM: North Carolina Native American Youth Organization Board Members

RE: NCNAYO Youth Conference

The 32nd Annual NC Indian Youth Unity Conference will be held June 13-16, 2011 at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC. This is an excellent opportunity for North Carolina's American Indian Youth. This year's theme is "Uniting Tribes to Enhance Our Future" and will feature Charly Lowry as the banquet keynote speaker and her band Dark Water Rising (DWR) performing at the banquet also.

Many great workshops have been planned to provide students with information relative to tribal histories, traditional arts and crafts, HIV/AIDS awareness, career exploration workshops and a variety of other topics. (See attached agenda)

The registration fee to attend this year's conference is \$175.00 per person. This includes lodging for three nights in NC State dormitories (double occupancy), nine meals, and all conference sessions, materials and breaks. Participants will also receive a conference t-shirt and book bag.

We are encouraging all tribes and other organizations to assist your youth to attend the conference. Unfortunately, there aren't enough resources to send all youth to the conference, but with your help, more will be able to have this experience. It would be a tragedy if deserving and needy youth were unable to have such an educational, social, and spiritual opportunity.

Additionally, we are securing ads for the program booklet. Ads are \$200 for a full-page ad or \$100 for a half-page ad. Ads must be submitted by June 1st.

Conference application materials are enclosed for your convenience. If you need additional information, please contact Mickey Locklear, NCNAYO Advisor at (919) 807-4449.