

## 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 (NCNAYO) Board Members

RE: N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference

The 33rd Annual N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference will be held June 13-16, 2012 at N.C. Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, NC. The conference provides an opportunity for American Indian youth to learn about issues of importance to American Indians in North Carolina. This year's theme is "Dancing within our Communities to the Beat of our own Drum".

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

The registration fee to attend this year's conference is \$175.00 per person. This includes lodging for three nights in NC Wesleyan College dormitories (double occupancy), nine meals, and all conference sessions, materials and breaks.

Tribes and other organizations are encouraged to sponsor youth to attend the conference. With your assistance, more youth will be able to participate in this educational, cultural, and social learning opportunity and engage with other American Indian youth with shared life experiences.

Additionally, we are securing ads for the program booklet. Ads are \$200 for a full-page, \$175 for a half-page, \$150 for a quarter-page, and \$25 for a business card. Ads must be submitted by June 4, 2012.

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

The N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs (Commission) staff provides advice to the N.C. Native American Youth Organization (NCNAYO) officers and members in terms of conference planning. However, the N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference is not a State sponsored event. The Commission is not liable for any expenses or liability associated with the NCNAYO conference. Information shared by the Commission regarding the N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference was prepared by the N.C. Native American Youth Organization. The information contained in it does not reflect the views and opinions of the State of North Carolina.

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