



National UNITY CONFERENCE

July 5th – 9th, 2018 • San Diego, California
“Answering the call of our Ancestors.”

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

1. Can I register my group early even if I don't have all the names?

Yes. Please call and we can add the names for you, or to make name changes.

2. Can I attend the conference by myself, if I'm 18, without chaperone?

All youth participants ages 14-24 must be chaperoned.

3. What is the dress code for the conference?

The dress code would be similar to school dress code, but we do encourage you to dress to impress since you will be representing your tribe, communities, as well as yourself. Keep in mind, there will be interactive activities throughout the conference that will elicit movements such as ice breakers. We also encourage the banquet dress code to be that of semi-formal/ business casual.

4. Do advisors need to register?

Yes. All participants, including chaperones, are required to have a name badge to access all sessions including the banquet.

5. Is there a one-day registration fee?

No. If you only plan to attend for a day or two, you are required to pay the normal registration fee.

6. If I volunteer, will I be able to attend the conference as a participant?

No. Although we do need help with many parts of the conference, you will need to register to participate in the conference. You may volunteer even if you are registered for the conference.

7. Can I get a refund if I don't show up?

No. UNITY will credit you for a future event.



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8. Can we pay a fee to attend just the banquet?

Yes, conference registrants may purchase an add-on ticket for the banquet. Keep in mind the banquet is included in the conference registration.

9. Will there be other host hotels with discounted rates?

Yes. The Handlery Hotel will have a discounted rate under UNITY’s room block. The hotel is located, close to the Town and Country Resort and Convention, at 950 Hotel Cir N, San Diego, California 92108. To reserve rooms, contact the hotel’s reservations department at 619-298-0511 or 800-676-6567. Guests must refer to the group name of “National UNITY Conference” to book rooms at the discounted rate. The discounted rate is set at 179.00 per night, not including fees or tax.

10. Do I have to be in a UNITY affiliated youth council to attend the conference?

No. We encourage all youth councils to find out how to become affiliated and take advantage of the benefits, otherwise you are welcome to attend as an individual.

11. Are students under the age of 14 allowed to attend?

Yes. Parents and advisors must consider whether topics and length of sessions are age appropriate.

12. Can I participate in the conference if I’m not a U.S. citizen?

Yes, however, per the National UNITY Council Constitution and Bylaws, youth participants who wish to vote in the business meeting are required to be a U.S. citizen. You may be an observer if you are not a U.S. citizen.



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13. What will the weather be like in San Diego, during the conference days?

The San Diego weather will have highs of low-90's to around 100 degrees, with night time low temperatures in the 70's. There is always the possibility that storms can develop throughout our time in San Diego. Remember to drink water and stay hydrated, and bring a light jacket.

14. Is electrical power available for Exhibitor booth space?

Exhibitors and workshop presenters must specify ahead of time if they have any audio or visual needs. A charge may apply.

15. What will presenter workshop rooms be equipped with?

The workshop rooms will have chairs and a podium. A/V support is available through the convention center; however, the workshop presenter is responsible for requesting such items, and a fee maybe required. You are welcome to provide your own projector, computer and screen.

16. What are transportation options to and from the airport to the conference site?

There are Shuttle services available through the San Diego Airport, which can be found at:

<http://www.san.org/Parking-Transportation/Shuttles>

17. What are the fees for the public transportation?

There is local transportation, via bus, or by rail.

For more information, you can go to the Metropolitan Transit System website at:
<https://www.sdmts.com/schedules-real-time>



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18. Will there be transportation for the 3-on-3, to and from the conference site?

Yes, there shuttles transporting conference participants to and from the university campus where the 3 on 3 basketball activities will take place.

19. Where can I park and what are the parking fees?

Parking at the Town and Country hotel will be \$14 a day.
Parking at the Handlery is set at \$10 per car, per day.

20. What are some fun things to do around San Diego?

There is plenty to do around in and around the San Diego area.

- San Diego Zoo
- Hit the beach
- Shopping (Fashion Valley Shopping center)
- Local Major League team
- Explore the Balboa Park and Botanical gardens
- Local Museums
- Explore the Gaslamp district
- With great local places to eat all around the city