FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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

Yes. Please go to the registration site and follow the directions. You will be able to go back and make edits to your registration. https://events.american-tradeshow.com/UNITY

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 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. We also encourage the banquet dress code to be that of 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 participant 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?
A No Refund Policy will be in effect starting July 1, 2019. There is a $25.00 processing and administrative fee (for each registration) for all requested refunds prior to July 1, 2019. All cancellations after June 30, 2019, will not be refunded or reimbursed.

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 already included in the conference registration.

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

No. The host hotel this year will be Gaylord Palms Resort and Conference Center. We expect our host hotel to be able to host all conference participants of our National Conference this year. Be mindful, if you do decide to stay at another location, other hotels may higher rates and may be at further distances from the conference site.

10. Do I need 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.

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

The Orlando weather will be in the 90’s degrees with heavy humidity, with night time low temperatures in the 70’s. The high humidity will make it feel like above 100 degree weather, so dress accordingly. There is always the possibility that storms can develop throughout our time in Orlando. 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. Also please note, workshop presenters must register if they plan to participate in the rest of the conference.
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 may be 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 is no shuttle transportation for the host hotel, to and from the airport.

There are Shuttle services available through the Orlando airport, which can be found at: https://www.orlandoairports.net/parking-transportation/

17. What are the fees for the public transportation?

There is local transportation, via bus, or by rail. More information could be found at: http://www.downtownorlando.com/getting-around/bus-system/#.XJGMPS2ZPOQ

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

Parking at the host hotel will be $22 a day for self-parking and $33 a day for valet parking, plus applicable tax currently at 7.5%.

19. What are some fun things to do around Orlando?

There is plenty to do around in and around Orlando:

- Local Museums
- With great local places to eat all around the city
- The host hotel has a water park
- Disney Board Walk
- Disney Springs
- Monorail around Disney attractions

20. Is there a discount opportunity for UNITY conference attendees to visit Disney World?

Yes. Go to the following link here to access a discount: www.mydisneygroup.com/unity19