UNITY 2024 Midyear Conference
“UNITY Advocacy in Action”

DRAFT Event Schedule
Subject to Change

Monday, Jan 29 - Webinars

Virtual Webinars Pre-Conference
4pm - 5pm Advisor Logistics & Safety plan for Mid-year
- Pearl and Eileen

6pm - 7pm Training for Native Youth Emcees & UNITY News
- LoVina and Eileen

Thursday, February 1 - Pre-Conference Events

10 am - 5 pm Load-in/Storage

12 pm - 4 pm Healing Circle Training With Dr. Pearl Yellowman (Main Ballroom)

5 pm - 6 pm Welcome Networking Event (Outdoor Patio)

6 pm - 8 pm Youth Empowerment Night for NUC Reps

6 pm - 9 pm UNITY News: Video recordings (Room TBA)

Registration Opens

Friday, February 2 - Day One

7 am - 5 pm Registration

8:00 am Morning Music in the Main Ballroom
8:30 am Opening General Assembly
   Opening - NUCEC Co-Presidents
   Color Guard -
   Blessing/Cultural Presentation
   Welcome - UNITY Council of Trustees, Loretta Tuell, Nez Perce
   Roll Call - NUC Secretary
   UNITY NEWS videos

9:30 am Keynote Address: To Be Determined

10:30 am Motivational Message - TBD

10:40 am Meet your Trainers/Announcements/Head to your breakout session
   Trainers:
   - Dr. Pearl Yellowman
   - LoVina Louie
   - Tommy GhostDog
   - J’Shon Lee
   - Eileen Crocker

10:45 am - 12:15 pm Curriculum Session 1: Lighting the Fire steps 1-3 (Break out into 4 rooms)

10:45 am - 12:15 pm Advisor/Chaperone Session 1 with Pearl Yellowman, Navajo
   (Room TBA)

12:15 pm - 1:45 pm Lunch (on your own)

1:45 pm - 3:00 pm Curriculum Session 2: Lighting the Fire steps 4-6 (Return to assigned rooms)

1:45 pm - 2:45 pm Advisor/Chaperone Session 2 (Room TBA)

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm - Advocacy in Action: Hands-on Activities with Community Advocates
   (Rooms TBA) Attendees and Advisors split into four groups to rotate to each topic:
   - Mental Health Advocacy with Special Guest
   - Art as Advocacy with Special Guest
   - Environmental Advocacy with UNITY Earth Ambassadors
   - Wellness Advocacy with Special Guests

3:00 pm - 3:25 pm - Groups meet for Discussion 1
3:30 pm - 3:55 pm - Groups Rotate to Discussion 2

4:00 pm - 4:25 pm - Groups Rotate to Discussion 3

4:30 am - 4:55 am - Groups Rotate to Discussion 4

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm NUC EC Business Meeting with NUC Reps - Session 1

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner (on your own)

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - UNITY Mock Pageant (Room TBD)
    Fun & Games Social Night with Trainers
    Featuring Emerson Fry Bread Food Truck

**Saturday, February 3 Day Two**

8:00 am Morning Music in the Main Ballroom

8:30 am Morning General Assembly
    Emcees:
    Day One Evaluation - LorenAshley, Yamassee
    Giveaways and prizes for your feedback!
    Invocation/Cultural Presentation
    UNITY NEWS videos

9:00 am Special Guests -TBA

9:50 am - 9:55 am Instructions for Workshops and Advisors:

10:00 am - 10:25 am Youth Speed Workshops 1

10:30 am - 10:55 am Youth Speed Workshops 2

11:00 am - 11:25 am Youth Speed Workshops 3

11:30 am - 11:55 am Youth Speed Workshops 4

11:00 am - 12:00 pm NUC EC Business Meeting - Session 2 (additional time if needed)

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Luncheon & Program
1:30 pm - 1:45 pm Break

1:45 pm - 3:15 pm Curriculum Session 3: Lighting the Fire steps 7-9 (Meet in assigned rooms)

1:45 pm - 3:15 pm Advisor/Chaperone Session 3 (Room TBA)

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm Break

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Curriculum Session 4: Lighting the Fire step 10, safe practices and report out (Return to assigned rooms)

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Advisor/Chaperone Session 4 (Room TBA)

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Dinner (on your own)

6:00 pm - 10:00 pm UNITY Round Dance - Intertribal Round Dance (Room TBD)
   Featuring Emerson Fry Bread Food Truck

   **Sunday, February 4 - Final Day**

8:30 am Morning Music by Emcee One in the Main Ballroom

9:00 am Closing General Assembly
   Emcees:
   Invocation/Hymns:
   Save the Dates Healing Circles Announcements
   UNITY NEWS videos

9:30 am Reports on Top Advocacy Plans

10:15 am Day Two Evaluation - LorenAshley, Yamassee
   Earn Prizes for your feedback!

10:30 am Special Guest - TBA

11:45 pm Wrap Up/Closing Friendship Circle

12:00 pm Lunch (on your own) / Departure