



## **DRAFT AGENDA**

**WELCOME TO THE 2022 NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE!**

***Theme: "Restoring the Spirit of Native Youth"***

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### **Thursday, July 7 (Pre-Conference Activities)**

3:30 - 6:30 pm        Videos 25 Under 25/NUC EC  
6:30 - 9:00 pm        Youth Leaders Training and Prep (Room TBA)  
12:00 a.m.            Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

### **Friday, July 8 (Theme: SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT)**

7:30 a.m. -        Conference Registration Opens

8:30 a.m. -        Youth Leaders Training and Prep continues (NUC male and female reps, EC, 25U25)

9:00 a.m.        UNITY 101 - Learn about UNITY, NUC, Constitution & Bylaws, find out how you can get more involved - Jared Ivins-Massey

10:00 a.m.        Welcome/Exhibit Hall Opening

11:00 a.m.        Lighting of the UNITY Fire  
                          -Meaning of the UNITY Fire  
                          -Sleepyeye LaFromboise, *Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux/Tonawanda Seneca*  
                          -Hunter Genia, *Saginaw/Swan Creek/Black River Bands of Chippewa and Grand River Ottawa*  
                          -EshTakaba LaFromboise, *Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux/Tonawanda Seneca*  
                          -Sheldon Smith, *Navajo*  
                          -Introduction of Special Guest

- 12:00 pm Lunch Break
- 1:30 pm EC/Peer Leaders Huddle (main stage)
- 1:30 pm DJ Music - Emcee One (Marcus Guinn), *Osage/Potowatomi*
- 1:45 p.m. Grand Entry Line Up - Male & Female Reps (Wear your regalia!)
- 2:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony  
Video Welcome  
Grand Entry! Parade of Nations by Region - Chance Rush, *Three Affiliated Tribes (Hidatsa)*  
Color Guard  
UNITY Drum/ Junior Sierra and Michael Killer, *Cherokee*
- 2:30 p.m. TIME TO POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA  
Welcome/Call to Order - NUC Co-Presidents  
-Presentation of the Flags  
-Blessing Host Tribe  
-Welcome (Tribal & State Leaders)  
-Cultural Presentation  
-UNITY NEWS!
- 3:00 p.m. Welcome Remarks  
Loretta Tuell, *Nez Perce*, Chairman, UNITY Council of Trustees  
Introductions of Council of Trustees
- 3:15 p.m. Introductions of the National UNITY Council Executive Committee
- 3:30 p.m. Roll Call of Regions—  
-Great Plains: Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota  
-Midwest: Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin  
-Northeast: Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont  
-Northwest: Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Alaska  
-Pacific: California, Hawaii  
-Rocky Mountains: Montana, Wyoming  
-Southeast: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia  
-Southern Plains: Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas  
-Southwest: Colorado, New Mexico

-Western: Arizona, Nevada, Utah

3:45 pm Video Messages  
Keynote Speaker

4:15 p.m. Special Announcement/Presentation UNITY 25 Under 25 Leaders

5:00 p.m. Dinner Break  
Meet and Greet

6:30 p.m. General Assembly - Explain purpose of caucus/announce tentative election procedures  
Input of youth issues

6:45 p.m. - Go to Area Caucuses Session #1 (Rooms TBA)  
-Great Plains: Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota  
-Midwest: Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin  
-Northeast: Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont  
-Northwest: Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Alaska  
-Pacific: California, Hawaii  
-Rocky Mountains: Montana, Wyoming  
-Southeast: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia  
-Southern Plains: Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas  
-Southwest: Colorado, New Mexico  
-Western: Arizona, Nevada, Utah

8:15 p.m. General Assembly - Clans/Fun and Games!  
Advisors Meeting (Room TBA)

9:30 pm Announcements/Adjourn (EC/Peer Leaders Debrief)

9:30 pm UNITY Fire- Storytelling and Cultural Sharing (Optional)  
(No instruments after 9 pm due to noise ordinance)

12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

**Saturday, July 9 (Theme: PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT) - Traditional Skirt/Shirt Day**

7:00 a.m. Wellness Warriors Fitness Activity event - Zumba with Eileen Crocker  
1 mile walk with UNITY Executive Director Mary Kim Titla! Fun Run with a buddy!  
Meet at hotel entrance

- 8:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens  
*Registration Desk*
- 8:15 a.m. UNITY Drum  
EC/Peer Leaders Huddle (Ballroom)
- 8:30 a.m. General Session  
-Blessing and Cultural Presentation TBA  
-UNITY NEWS!
- 9:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker - Chef Pyet, Pottawatamie
- 9:45 p.m. Speeches - Candidates for Male and Female Co-President
- 10:00 a.m. NUC Initiative "Restoring the Spirit of Native Youth"  
Special Presentation
- 10:30 a.m. Keynote Speaker - Nike N7 TBA
- 11:00 a.m. Go to Area Caucuses Session #2 (Rooms TBA)  
-Great Plains: Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota  
-Midwest: Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin  
-Northeast: Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts,  
New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island,  
Vermont  
-Northwest: Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Alaska  
-Pacific: California, Hawaii  
-Rocky Mountains: Montana, Wyoming  
-Southeast: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana,  
Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia  
-Southern Plains: Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas  
-Southwest: Colorado, New Mexico  
-Western: Arizona, Nevada, Utah
- 12:00 pm Lunch Break (on your own)  
Autograph signing
- 1:00 pm Free Afternoon!  
3 on 3 Tournament (TBA)
- 7 - 9 p.m. Talent Night (sign up required)

- 9:00 p.m. UNITY Fire- Storytelling and Cultural Sharing (Optional)  
No instruments due to noise ordinance
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

**Sunday, July 10 (Theme: MENTAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 7:00 a.m. Wellness Warriors Fitness Activity event - Zumba with Eileen Crocker Rm TBA  
1 mile walk with UNITY Executive Director Mary Kim Titla! Fun Run with a buddy!  
Meet at hotel entrance
- 8:15 a.m. UNITY Drum  
EC/Peer Leaders Huddle (Ballroom)
- 8:30 a.m. General Session  
-Blessing and Cultural Presentation TBA  
-UNITY NEWS!
- 9:00 a.m. Panel Presentation  
“Native Youth Research is Good Medicine”
- 9:45 a.m. Visit Exhibit booths - Pick up a raffle ticket to win prizes!
- 10:15 a.m.- Meeting of Advisors and Chaperones
- 10:15 a.m.- Workshops Session #1 (45 minute workshops)
- 11:00 a.m. Break - Go to your next workshop!
- 11:15 a.m.- Workshops Session #2
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch on your own
- 1:30 p.m. Visit Education booths - earn a chance to win raffle prizes!
- 2:30 p.m. Workshops Session #3 (45 minute workshops)
- 2:30 p.m. National UNITY Council Business Meeting - Mandatory for male and female reps  
(Room TBA)
- 3:15 p.m. Break - Go to your next workshop!
- 3:30 p.m. Workshops Session #4 (45 minute workshop)

- 4:15 p.m. Break - Get ready for the Gala!
- 5:30 p.m. Line up for Gala
- 6:00 p.m. Pre-Gala Fashion Show
- 6:30 p.m. UNITY GALA
- 9:00 p.m. DJ Dance
- 10:00 p.m. UNITY Fire - Storytelling and Cultural Sharing (Optional)
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

**Monday, July 11 (Theme: SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 7:00 a.m. Wellness Warriors Fitness Activity event - Zumba with Eileen Crocker! TBA  
1 mile walk with UNITY Executive Director Mary Kim Titla! Fun Run with a buddy!  
Meet at hotel entrance
- 8:15 a.m. EC/Peer Leaders Huddle (Ballroom)
- 8:30 a.m. General Session  
-Blessing and Cultural Presentation-UNITY NEWS!
- 9:00 a.m. Healing Indigenous Lives Initiative presentation by UNITY Peer Guides
- 9:30 a.m. Education and Career Expo Kick off  
Panel Presentation "Tribal Leaders under 30"
- 10:15 a.m. Visit Exhibit booths - Pick up a raffle ticket to win prizes!
- 10:30 a.m. Workshop Session I
- 11:30 p.m. Lunch on your own
- 1:30 p.m. Orientation Training for Newly elected NUC Executive Committee - Room TBA
- 1:30 p.m. Workshop Session II (45 minute workshops)
- 2:15 p.m. Go to next Workshop
- 2:30 p.m. Workshop Session III
- 3:15 p.m. Go to next Workshop
- 3:30 p.m. Workshop Session IV
- 4:15 p.m. Dinner Break

- 6:00 p.m. Cultural Sharing (sign up required)
- 9:00 p.m. UNITY Fire - Storytelling and Cultural Sharing (Optional)
- 12:00 a.m. Curfew/Lights out! (Daily)

**Tuesday, July 12 (MENTAL DEVELOPMENT)**

- 8:45 a.m. EC/Peer Leaders Huddle (Ballroom)
- 9:00 a.m. General Session  
-Blessing and Cultural Presentation  
-Message from UNITY Peer Guides  
-UNITY News
- 9:30 a.m. Special Presentation “Native Activism Then and Now”  
Panel Presentation
- 10:25 a.m. Get ready for 2023 in Washington, DC!  
Video TBA
- 10:30 a.m. Friendship Circle
- 11:00 a.m. Commitment Ceremony at UNITY Fire
- 12:00 p.m. Adjourn
- 12:00 p.m. Optional Activities/Travel Day

**HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME! SEE YOU AT THE  
2023 NATIONAL UNITY CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, DC!**