



The Youth Agenda’s intended audience is for high school and college students **ages 16-23** with an interest in political science, tribal government, and Native American legislative and governmental affairs. The **NCAI Youth Commission**—which **includes all interested youth** as well as elected officers—provides a unique perspective on issues relevant to tribal youth. It is an opportunity to acquire knowledge from—and be a resource to—NCAI and Tribal Leaders about the organizational processes of NCAI and structure of Tribal politics.

Sunday, October 15

- 9:00–4:00 **Check out a Pre-Meeting on the Main Agenda!***
Youth Attendees are encouraged to attend any of the Pre-Meetings, including any listening sessions, Task Force meetings, and other great sessions.
- 9:00–12:00 **Morning Meetings***
- 1:00–5:00 **Registration/Rules & Credentials Open**
Hall C Foyer
- 1:00–4:00 **Afternoon Meetings***
- 4:00–5:30 NCAI Youth Meet & Greet**
Room 201 B
Come eat, meet other Native youth from across Indian Country, network with NCAI’s partner youth organizations, and get an overview of the Conference! All Youth in attendance are invited.

Monday, October 16

- 7:00–8:00 **Native Prayer Sunrise Gathering***
First Floor Lobby
- 8:00–9:00 Youth Morning Gathering**
Room 201 B
Come collect the daily challenges, get prepped for the week, and say good morning to other Youth Attendees.

Monday, October 16

9:00–10:00 Youth Session 1: **How NCAI works and How to Get Involved at Annual 2017!**
Room 201 B

10:15–11:00 Youth Session 2: **Unconscious Bias Workshop with Google**
Room 201 B
 Unconscious Bias (UB@Work) is an introduction to the concept of unconscious bias—the mental shortcuts our brains take to help us make decisions quickly. The course is aimed at raising awareness of how unconscious biases work, and how they can negatively influence our interactions.

11:15–12:00 Youth Session 3: **Tools for the Future—Financial Education**
Room 201 B

12:00–1:00 **New Member Orientation***
Room 102 B
 All members and officers are invited to this welcome session for new members of NCAI and a briefing on membership, committees, voting, and process.

Marketplace Grand Opening Celebration
Exhibit Hall C
 Come help kick off the opening of the marketplace with light food, prizes, and special entertainment from the Oneida Nation Smoke Dancers.

1:30–4:00 **First General Assembly**
Ballroom ABC

4:15–6:00	COMMITTEE MEETINGS	<i>closed to press</i>
	Economic Development, Finance & Community Development	<i>Room 102 E</i>
	Human Resources	<i>Room 102 D</i>
	Land & Natural Resources	<i>Room 102 C</i>
	Litigation & Governance	<i>Room 102 A</i>
	Veterans	<i>Room 102 B</i>

5:00–6:00 **Youth End of Day Wrap Up**
Room 201 B
 Youth Attendees please join us to share what your day was like, learn about opportunities, ask questions and mingle with fellow Attendees.

6:00–8:00 **Welcome Reception presented by HCN & Husch Blackwell**
Harley Davidson Museum, 500 West Canal Street, Milwaukee, WI 53203
 This is a networking evening with live entertainment; food & beverage so please join this fun evening. Sponsored by the Ho-Chunk Nation.

SAMHSA Tribal Youth Leadership Academy (STyL)

The purpose of the STyL Academy is to engage Native Youth to develop your behavioral health knowledge, engage with your peers, and develop leadership skills to support your efforts to be the generation for change in your communities! Don't miss out on this opportunity on **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday!**




Tuesday, October 17

7:15–8:15	Regional Caucus Meetings	<i>closed to press</i>
	Alaska Region	Room 102 A
	Eastern Oklahoma Region	Room 102 B
	Great Plains Region	Room 102 D
	Midwest Region	Room 102 C
	Northeast Region	Room 102 E
	Northwest Region	Room 102 A&B
	Pacific Region	Room 103 C
	Rocky Mountain Region	Room 103 D&E
	Southeast Region	Room 201 A
	Southern Plains Region	Room 202 A
	Southwest Region	Room 202 B
	Western Region.....	Room 202 C

8:00–8:30 Youth Morning Gathering
Room 201 B
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8:30–12:00 Second General Assembly (*leave for Youth Sessions by 10:15*)
Ballroom ABC

10:30–11:30  **STyL Session 1: You Are Braver Than You Think: Learn How To Effectively Spread Your Ideas** [2-part session]
Room 201 B
 Do you have ideas that you are passionate about? Want to strengthen your leadership skills? Come participate in a two-part session where you will learn tips on sharing your ideas, listening for potential, and building leadership skills. You will learn to engage from some of the very same training tips that TED speakers receive!
Presenter/facilitator: *Laura McClure*, TED-Ed Editor

11:30–12:00 Prep for Youth Honoring Luncheon

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Ballroom D
 NCAI Youth Leadership Awards presented by Ernie Stevens, Jr., Chairman, National Indian Gaming Association. Invocation: David Powless (*Oneida Nation of Wisconsin*), Cultural Advisory for the Gerald L. Ignace Indian Health Clinic. And, don't miss a special performance by Nick Courtney!
[^]*Tickets are available for purchase.*

Tuesday, October 17

1:30–4:00

Concurrent BREAKOUT SESSIONS – select a Session that interests you

- **Tax Reform for Indian Country & the Indian Trade and Commerce Regulations**
Room 102 C
- **10 Years After UNDRIP: International Advocacy to Protect Tribal Sovereignty**
Room 103 C
- **Roundtable Implementing the Tribal Behavioral Health Agenda in a Culturally Relevant Manner**
Room 103 A&B
- **Tribal Homeland Security/Emergency Management**
Room 102 A
- **Identity, Belonging, and Citizenship: Sustaining Our Tribal Nations**
Room 102 B
- **Tribal Proposals to Improve Federal Permitting Consultation**
Room 102 D
- **Strengthening Tribal-State Relations and Sovereignty through Education and Training**
Room 202 B
- **First Kids 1st: Engaging in the Movement through Community Mapping**
Room 103 D

3:00–3:45

Youth Session 4: Strategies for Organizational & Community Engagement

Room 201 B

Nicholas Courtney (George Washington University, Native American Political Leadership Program) leads a session on asset building, and an introduction to the *POP process*. POP stands for Purpose (why is this important), Otcomes (what do we need most to accomplish), and Process (how will we accomplish the outcomes and achieve your vision).

4:15–6:00

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

closed to press

Disabilities/Elders	<i>Room 102 A</i>
Economic Development, Finance & Employment	<i>Room 102 B</i>
Education	<i>Room 102 D</i>
Energy & Mineral Policy	<i>Room 202 B</i>
Environmental Protection & Land Use	<i>Room 102 E</i>
Health	<i>Room 103 A&B</i>
Housing	<i>Room 103 D&E</i>
Human, Religious, & Cultural Concerns.....	<i>Room 202 A</i>
Indian Child & Family Welfare	<i>Room 202 D</i>
Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	<i>Room 102 C</i>
Taxation.....	<i>Room 201 A</i>
Technology & Telecommunications	<i>Room 202 E</i>
Transportation & Infrastructure	<i>Room 203 D</i>
Tribal Gaming	<i>Room 103 C</i>
Trust Lands, Natural Resources, & Agriculture.....	<i>Room 202 C</i>
Veterans	<i>Room 203 A&B</i>

5:00–6:00

Youth End of Day Wrap Up

Room 201 B

Join us to share what your day was like, learn about opportunities, mingle with other youth attendee, create health walk posters and get ready for tomorrow’s agenda.

Tuesday, October 17

- 6:00–7:00 **Special Recognition Pre-Gala Reception** (open to all)
Ballroom D Foyer, Level 1
Enjoy this chance to mingle as we highlight some of our generous Annual Convention sponsors, and other special recognitions prior to the Gala Banquet.
- 7:00–10:00 **Gala Banquet**[^]
Ballroom D
Come to an enjoyable evening as we wind down the convention. This will be an evening you won't want to miss! [^]*Tickets are available for purchase.*

Wednesday, October 18

7:15–8:15 **Regional Caucus Meetings** *closed to press*

8:00–8:15 **Youth Morning Gathering for the Healthy Lifestyles Walk**
Ballroom ABC Foyer, Level 1
Grab your posters, gather to meet, and energize for this morning's Health Walk!



8:15–9:15 **National Native American Just Move It! Healthy Lifestyles Walk, Run and Rally**
Ballroom ABC Foyer, Level 1
14th Annual National Native American Health & Fitness Walk. Come and join leaders from more than 500 nations as we all "Walk the Talk," and show our commitment to wellness. All participants will receive healthy lifestyles incentives!

9:30–10:45 **STyL Session 2: You Are Braver Than You Think: Learn How To Effectively Spread Your Ideas** [Part Two]
Room 201 B
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9:30–12:00 **Second General Assembly** (*Youth will join the General Assembly at 11:00 to listen to candidate nominations and speeches*)
Ballroom ABC

12:00 Lunch Recess

1:30–4:00 **STyL Session 3: Elders & Youth Roundtable**
**Room 103 A&B*
Elders and youth will be invited to sit together and participate in this roundtable. Through this session, attendees will be given the opportunity to collaborate on skills to increase our resiliency to stress and strengthen our abilities to be leaders at home, with our families, in the classroom, in our communities, and in our tribal governments.

4:15–6:00 **SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS** *closed to press*

Wednesday, October 18

5:00–6:00 **Youth End of Day Wrap Up**
Room 201 B

7:00–9:00 **Cultural Night***
Hosted by the Indian Community School, 10405 W Saint Martin’s Road, Franklin, Wisconsin

The Indian Community School, serves urban Native children, started by a grassroots effort of three Oneida mothers, took root during a takeover of unused federal property by AIM, blossomed with gaming dollars and is growing toward perpetuity through investments.

Join us for a night featuring cultures of the woodlands and great lakes. Enjoy watching smoke dancers and woodland dancers, warm up with wild rice soup, Oneida corn soup, or three sisters stew; make a corn husk doll, play games, learn a few words in Ojibwemowin, Oneida and Menominee; hear and singalong with songs composed by our students about treaties, experience the beauty of our School and learn about the award winning architecture.

You choose what you want to see and hear!

Buses will leave the convention center starting at **6:30pm** on Wednesday and return from the school starting at 9:00 pm.

Thursday, October 19

7:15–8:15 **Regional Caucus Meetings** *closed to press*

8:00–8:30 **Youth Morning Gathering**
Room 201 B
Come collect the daily challenges, ask questions about yesterday’s agenda, and the upcoming day.

8:00–10:00 **NCAI Executive Board Elections**
Ballroom D
Membership must be current by 5:00PM CT, Wednesday, October 18, to vote in the NCAI elections.

8:30–12:00 **Fourth General Assembly** *(leave for Youth Sessions at 10:00)*
Ballroom ABC

- UNITY, Inc.
- NCAI Youth Commission Report

10:00–12:00 **STyL Session 4: How You Manage Stress Matters** *[Part One]*
Room 201 B

Our normal lives are filled with stressors—whether it is home life, school, community, country, or the world—how we manage stress affects our health. However one terms it (self-care, mindfulness, journaling, art, meditation, soft belly breathing, etc.) is not important, the importance lies in the tools these practices provide in strengthening our inner resilience.

Presenter/facilitator: *Linda EagleSpeaker*, Faculty, The Center for Mind-Body Medicine (CMBM combines modern science and wise tradition to create a powerful new medicine centered on simple concepts: self-care & group support).

12:00 Lunch Recess

Thursday, October 19

1:30–2:30

STyL Session 5: How You Manage Stress Matters [Part Two]

Room 201 B

Presenter/facilitator: Linda EagleSpeaker, Faculty, The Center for Mind-Body Medicine

2:45–3:30

STyL Session 6: Why Native Youth are essential to the Tribal Behavioral Health Agenda

Room 201 B

The Tribal Behavioral Health Agenda (TBHA) is framed by four cross-cutting tribal issues: youth, culture, identity, and individual self-sufficiency. The TBHA also includes the five foundational elements. Come to this session to hear the Youth Commission Officers present the TBHA issues important to them—and discuss how to strengthen the youth voice.

Facilitators: Youth Commission Officers

4:00–6:00

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

closed to press

5:00–6:00

Youth Annual Convention Wrap Up

Room 201 B

Your feedback is valuable, and we want to know your thoughts on the Convention—and the Youth Track. Take this time to share with peers your opinions, and what you look forward to taking back to your community—plus share ideas for next year!

Friday, October 20

8:30–12:00

Sixth General Assembly

Ballroom ABC

Questions? Contact us before, on-site, and after the Annual Convention. We looking forward to seeing you!

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