

Treaty #3 Youth Conference
“Empowering Youth Leadership”
December 3rd & 4th 2009
Best Western Lakeside Inn
Kenora, Ontario

Information Package

Accommodations

Grand Council Treaty #3 will be able to cover the costs for two (2) guest rooms per community from outside of the Kenora area. These rooms will be used by the youth participants (one room for females, and one room for males). Any additional rooms will be at the communities own expense. This includes guest rooms for chaperones.

Travel

Due to limited funds, Grand Council Treaty #3 will not be able to cover mileage for participants or chaperones.

Meals

On both days of the Treaty #3 Youth Conference, breakfast and lunch will be provided for everyone in attendance. Dinner will be the responsibility of the participants and/or the chaperones. Grand Council Treaty #3 will not be able to cover the costs for dinner due to limited funds.

Attendees/Participants

The Treaty #3 Youth Conference is an opportunity for youth to engage community officials/leaders in discussion, as well as participate in open discussions amongst their peers. Youth participants must be **at least** 15 years of age to attend and participate in the Treaty #3 Youth Conference. The target age of the Treaty #3 Youth Conference is ages **15-25**. Youth who are between the ages of **25-30** and who wish to participate are asked to make their own arrangements for accommodation and travel.

Chaperones

Youth participants who are age 17 and under will be required to attend the Treaty #3 Youth Conference with a chaperone. Chaperones will be responsible for their own travel arrangements and the travel arrangements of the youth they are chaperoning. Chaperones will be responsible for their own dinners. Grand Council Treaty #3 cannot provide funds for mileage. It is ideal that chaperones are at least 21 years of age or older. Participation in the Treaty #3 Youth Conference is open to youth who are 15-30. Chaperones who are over the age of 30 are asked to only participate as observers at the Treaty #3 Youth Conference.

Evening Entertainment

On the evening of December 3rd 2009, there will be a mini powwow taking place at the Best Western Lakeside Inn. The invited drum group is award-winning Brown Eagle. Youth participants are encouraged to bring their regalia as we celebrate our culture and our people of

Treaty #3 through powwow. Dancers are responsible for the care of their regalia during the Treaty #3 Youth conference.

Special Pre-cautions

Due to the current H1N1 situation this flu season, we ask that participants and chaperones refrain from attending the conference if they are suffering from any flu-like symptoms. There will be hand sanitizers available at the premises for participants and chaperones.

Agenda

A draft agenda will be made available as soon as all the presenters are confirmed. The agenda was created with the help of a Treaty #3 Youth Planning Committee that have been meeting for the past couple months. The Treaty #3 Youth Planning Committee meetings comprised of youth from throughout the Treaty #3 Nation. The Treaty #3 Youth Conference Coordinator was able to incorporate the ideas of the Treaty #3 Youth Planning Committee into the set up of the conference. These youth have identified who they would like to see do presentations at the conference as well as their ideas for the entertainment portion among other things. It was very important to Grand Council Treaty #3 that the Treaty #3 youth play a key role in the organization of the Treaty #3 Youth Conference.

Organizational Booths

There is an opportunity for different organizations to set up their booths during the first day of the conference (the 3rd). The youth will be given the opportunity to visit these booths throughout their scheduled breaks. There will also be a scheduled booth visit during the day, which will be scheduled into the agenda. Grand Council Treaty #3 asks that organizations pay a fee of \$75 for their booth table set up at this conference.

Registration

Youth and chaperones are asked to register and submit their forms as soon as possible. There is no registration fee. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the information below

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