

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH
AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENT COUNCIL
American Indian Leaders of Today and Tomorrow



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Dear Parent or Educator:

It is with great honor that we announce our upcoming American Indian Leaders of Today and Tomorrow Higher Education Conference (AILOTT) to be held on Friday, November 14, 2008 at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB). Our theme is "The State of Native America: Raps to Remember, Raps to Re-Present".

Native Music continues to expand its dynamic reach into the 21st century. Reggae, Funk, Rock, Punk and Hip Hop have become active expressive agents for contemporary Native people. This Program, hosted by the American Indian Student Council at CSULB, will feature a multi-generational panel discussion by Native composers/performers/producers who cross musical divides fostering new creative and critical Native music that amplifies the current tone of Native America. This event will include a performance by the Native Hip Hop troupe "One Nation" (South Dakota).

The AILOTT Conference is designed to bring together American Indian students in middle school, high school, community colleges, and re-entry programs to provide them with an awareness of culture, career and educational opportunities. AILOTT enhances the opportunity for the community and campus to unite and work towards a better future for American Indians as a whole. AILOTT's success is attributed to the full participation from students, parents, educators, community members, and our student committee at CSULB.

We will also have a workshop pertaining to university admissions and financial aid. Dinner will be served.

In addition to students partaking in this conference, we encourage teachers, aides, counselors, parents, and concerned community members to participate with the students. We ask that you supervise your students.

If your student, school, or program is interested in attending, please fill out the enclosed Registration Form and Release Form, one for every participant, and mail, email or fax to us by November 13, 2008.

If you have any questions please contact Anna Nazarian-Peters, Coordinator of American Indian Student Services, at (562) 985-8528 or email her at anzarian@csulb.edu. We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you at AILOTT!

With much appreciation,

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