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(March 29, 2024) A colorful expression of song and dance will fill the Cougar Sports Center on Saturday, April 6, when the Circle of Nations Indian Association (CNIA) students hold the 39th Annual CNIA Powwow.

The CNIA Powwow is an intertribal and free public event. CNIA welcomes the campus and the Morris-area community to this contemporary style powwow, with all the dancing and feasting—and coming together of many Indian people—that accompanies such events across Indian Country. The audience will see dancers representing different tribal nations in full regalia.

There will be a concession stand and Native arts and crafts may be purchased directly from noted jewelers and artisans.

Each powwow begins with the Grand Entry, a procession of all the dancers into the dance arena. Grand Entry will occur at 1 and 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 6. Doors open at 9 a.m. Free parking is readily available in the South Lot near Big Cat Stadium off Second Street. For additional information about the 39th Annual CNIA Powwow, contact the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Intercultural Programs at 320-589-6095.

A nonprofit student organization, the CNIA Powwow Committee depends on University, local, and tribal support for its yearly event.