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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – A traditional Lakota tipi will be constructed on the Illinois Wesleyan University Robert S. Eckley Quadrangle on Wednesday, November 3, as part of a day of teaching and learning in conjunction with Native American Heritage Month.

Events will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the program called *Sights and Sounds of the Lakota: Interactive Teachings on the Life of the Plains*. Participants will take part in the raising of traditional tipi, learning about the medicine wheel and understanding sacred pipe traditions. The day will end with Spirit of the Rainbow Drum & Dancers, a Native American dance troupe that will perform from 4-5 p.m.

The events are free and open to the public.

### **The schedule includes:**

- 11 a.m. – Teachings on Native American celebrations in Evelyn Chapel (1301 N. Park St., Bloomington).
- Noon-2 p.m. – Tipi set-up and preparation (on the Quad)
- 2-4 p.m. – Teachings on Native American life, including the medicine wheel, life in a Lakota tipi and sacred pipe traditions (on the Quad)
- 4-5 p.m. Spirit of the Rainbow Drum & Dancers (on the Quad)

For further information, contact the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs at (309) 556-3412.

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