



CENTRAL OREGON
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Culturally Specific Programs



L.E.A.D.
Legacy Education for
Afrocentric Development



SUMMER TRAINING TO REVIVE INDIGENOUS VISION AND EMPOWERMENT





- Leadership
- Team Building
- Personal Responsibility
- Communication
- Public Speaking Skills
- Conflict Resolution

High school participation and requirements:

High school students who are selected to participate in ¡AVANZA! enroll in a college level course that focuses on leadership, cultural and academic development. Students who meet all course requirements receive one college credit and high school credit(s).

1. Attend class *
2. Class participation
3. Complete assignments
4. Group Work
5. Final Presentation



“Avanza has helped me be a better presenter and a better speaker. People have always labeled me as an immigrant that would not make it to college, and I would always let people put me down but with the help of Avanza, I started to believe in myself”

“This class has helped me in many ways to prepare for college and what I will be doing after I graduate. Being in the class actually motivated me even more to attend college. I attend the AVANZA program because it is very helpful and provides me with tasks I should consider doing to prepare for college”

“I participate in Avanza because there, I know that my voice matters. The feeling of a safe space where I can connect with other youth of my ethnicity has been very educational, as well as fun! This class has been very helpful to me, as I have learned tips for scholarship interviews, resume writing, scholarship searching, and even networking. I have especially learned the importance of utilizing available resources, and to never be afraid to ask questions”

“When I started high school, I never saw myself as a student who was trying to go to college. College never even crossed my head since I was always viewed as a Latina that had no chances to dream big. I first joined Avanza because one of my friends was going to join so I just tagged along without realizing that the program was about to change my life”

“Without Avanza, I would not know what to do with my life or what direction to go in. I feel like every Latino deserves the opportunity to be able to be guided by Avanza like I was”



Civic Action and Community Involvement

Student Voice Project



Letters to the Governor



Franklin Tunnel Proyecto Mural





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Latinx Student Program

COCC's Latinx Program assists in the recruitment, retention and academic success of immigrant and native Latino students. It assists students with planning and implementing relevant programs and activities on campus and in the community. This is a great place to go to get connected on campus.





Representation and Connections

- Culturally relevant programming and curriculum
 - Activities and projects relevant to students' lives
- Connecting with students
 - Responsibility for educators to educate themselves
- Connecting with communities
 - Recognizing legacy of trauma from centuries of white institutions proclaiming they know what is best
 - Recognize when we are perpetuating those same oppressive patterns
 - Genuine relationships in and out of the classroom
 - Including families in educational experiences





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Questions?

