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I work for the department that runs Destination Western and I've seen the impact it makes first hand. Kids come in nervous and anxious and after a couple days have friends and are already enjoying the college experience. They get an early look into the academics of college and get to learn how to function in college courses in a practice environment. The program is also so important for student leaders already enrolled at Western. The skills they learn will take them far in their chosen careers. I've seen so much growth from DW Students and the leaders.