



Raza Youth Conference

Sponsored by M.E.Ch.A de Sonoma and SRJC

Dear Community Member,

You are receiving this letter because you have been identified as an individual who has demonstrated a commitment for positive social change and as a person with a strong and meaningful educational foundation. We feel that what you have to offer can prove to be a pivotal life altering experience for our participants. That is why we would like to invite you to our Raza Youth Conference as a workshop presenter on Saturday April 24th.

The purpose of this Youth Conference is to prepare and push our Latino youths to attain a higher education by exposing them to crucial material that is not often readily available to them. Our workshops will vary in content but will never deviate from our purpose. We aim to make them feel at home on a university campus by equipping them with tools needed to attain a degree meanwhile allowing them to embrace their rich Latino roots.

In order to accomplish our purpose our workshops must be innovative, interactive, designed for Latino students, culturally and currently relevant to modern day issues our Raza face today. It is no easy task to do this, but we have witnessed that the State is unable and unwilling to properly educate our youths. So instead of allowing education to go underfunded and overlooked, we invite you to join us in taking the struggle into our own hands.

We will be having three workshop sessions throughout our conference and we are asking for 23 workshops per session. You are free to apply for whatever workshop you would like to do (It does not have to be from our "wishlist"). All workshops will be pre-screened and we would also like to ask that you to keep in mind our Spanish only and English only speakers. We will of course be more than happy to accommodate any needs that you may have.

We would like to thank you in advance for taking it upon yourself as a responsible community member to educate our youths. Many of you already work with Latino youths and we hope you will bring that experience to our conference.

Respetuosamente,
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“My Roots Will
Strengthen Who I Will
Become”

This Year's Motivational Theme

Workshop Wish List

How to get to College

FAFSA

How to Interview

Latinos as Educators

Chicanos in College- Panel

Latinos in Sciences

Chicanas in College- Panel

AB 540 – Panel of Immigrants

Zapatistas

Aztec Dancing

M.E.Ch.A History/101

Women Empowerment

Chicana Feminist Thought

Chicano Art

Chicano Movement

RIFA

Chicana Empowerment

Know Your Rights Training

Gang Prevention

Immigrant Empowerment