Inland Empire Future Leaders 2024

IEFLP 2025 Summer Leadership Conference

June 22 - 27, 2025 Oak Glen, California

40th Anniversary

STUDENT LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

"WE DEVELOP FUTURE LEADERS" 1984 - 2025



In 1983, San Bernardino County Educator Susan Castro attended a statewide association of Mexican American Educators (AMAE) conference. She was impressed with a presentation by high school students who had attended an AMAE leadership conference. Susan recognized that such a program could benefit Inland Empire Latino Youth, the largest ethnic group in our public schools, and the population with the highest dropout rate. She enlisted the help of local educators to realize her vision. Henry Vazquez, Bill Ellison and Frank Acosta answered her call. Additional support was provided by Dr. Tom Rivera, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies at California State University, San Bernardino.





This core group of educators created Inland Empire Future Leaders. And for the next three decades, they dedicated themselves to nurturing the program; training, motivating, and preparing participants to reach their highest potential. in 2010, several dedicated IEFL alums joined the Board of Directors. In 2022, a 13-member Associate Board was established, consisting of IEFL Alum, young professionals. Today, the original founders' mission is carried on my IEFL Program Alumni.





Need for Program:

- Hispanics have a "medium" rate of graduation across the district
- Hispanic students in the Colton Joint Unified School District are the highest number of students to dropout of school than any other student demographic in the district.
- Hispanics are less likely than their white counterparts to complete a bachelor's degree.
- Increase the percentage of students who graduate and are prepared for college and/or a career.
- Leaders needed for the 21st century





Mission:

To develop leaders for our communities, while instilling the values of Familia, Leadership, and Pride



OUR PURPOSE

- Explore career choices
- Graduate from high school
- Enroll in college
- Acquire Leadership Skills and Strengths
- Learn how to run for office and win

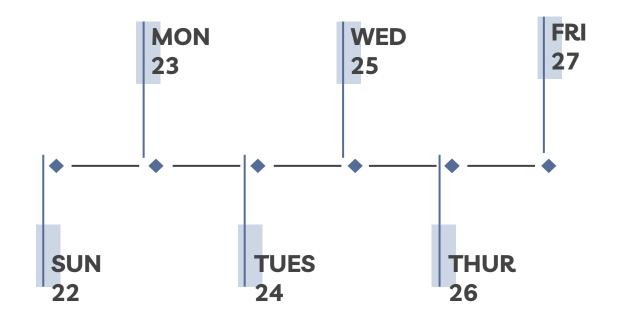


6-day Overnight Conference 120 Students, 65 Staff



IEFLP 2025 CONFERENCE

JUNE 22ND 2025 TO JUNE 27TH 2025





SELECTION CRITERIA

| CURRENTLY AN 8TH OF 9TH GRADER | MINIMUM 2.5 GPA |
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| LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL/ EXPERIENCE | COMPLETED APPLICATION |



Application Components

- Completed application form
- Description of school and Community activities (on app.)
- Autobiographical statement (250 words)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Transcript of grades
- Consent and Agreement
- Medical History





Application for students are AVAILABLE NOW

Student Applications are due on March 7th, 2025 by 11:59 PM

Student Applications can be found online at <u>https://iefl.org</u>



Alumni Quotes:

"Ever since I attended camp in 2014, many things have happened... I have achieved so much which makes me very proud of myself.... All my accomplishments have motivated me to give back to my community and continue to make a difference in the future."

- Maribel R.

"This experience has increased my confidence level to communicate with a lot of people. It encouraged me to get involved."





Alumni Quotes:



"Going to this camp made a major impact on me. This camp also made me realize how much minorities have struggled to get where we are today."

– Maribel B.

"How can I describe with words one of the BEST times I had in many years? It was a MAGICAL experience getting to know everyone and knowing that I could be MYSELF... it made a big change in my person, my soul, my mind and the best thing was that everyone at the camp made me realize how I could be the BEST."

– Nubia G.



What we do at camp:

- Workshops
- Public Speaking
- Cultura Sessions
- Build Community
- Recreation Activities
- Play games and

Chant!

Two notable IEFLP



Alumni:





Dr. Raúl Ruiz ('87) U.S. Congressman **36th** California Congressional District Pete Aguilar ('93) U.S. Congressman 31st California Congressional District

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