

COLORADO YOUTH DIVERSITY CONFERENCE



FEBRUARY 1, 2025
DENVER, COLORADO

Schedule of Events

- 8:00 – 9:00 am **Breakfast** We provide a light breakfast and then usher participants to the main auditorium to register.
- 8:45 – 9:30 am **Registration and Morning Entertainment** Adult mentors will register their groups as they enter the Fine Arts Building. An emcee and various student groups from around the state keep participants entertained.
- 8:00 – 9:30 am **Diversity Fair** We invite colleges, universities, non-profit organizations and community partners to send representatives to speak with high school students about their commitment to diversity. Interested students and adult mentors are free to browse the tables after going through breakfast and registration.
- 9:30 – 10:20 am **Opening Ceremonies** Each year the YCD Colorado Student Board selects a notable keynote speaker with an inspiring message related to diversity, inclusion and social justice.
- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Discussion Groups & Lunch** Students join a discussion group to talk about diversity issues with students from across the state. Past topics included cliques, peer pressure, and harassment. Meanwhile, adult mentors gather to have their own discussions for professional development or about mentoring youth-led groups and chapters.
- 12:10 – 1:20 pm **Workshop A** Both students and adult mentors attend a workshop of their choice. Workshops focus on a variety of themes, including gender, class and poverty, race and ethnicity, sexuality, disabilities, history, and conflict resolution.
- 1:30 – 2:40 pm **Workshop B** Everyone attends a second workshop of their choice.
- 2:50 – 3:30 pm **Closing Ceremonies** We finish our day with another performance, a video montage of the day's events, and the awarding of the Human Rights Award to one group or individual in the community.