



Call for Workshop Proposals

The Student Board planning the annual Colorado Youth Diversity Conference is currently seeking workshop proposals on a wide variety of topics, and we invite you to submit a proposal.

About the Colorado Youth Diversity Conference

This event welcomes hundreds of high school students and educators from schools and youth organizations across Colorado, and will feature two workshop sessions on the day of the conference, which takes place on **Saturday, January 31, 2026** and will be hosted by Cherry Creek High School.

Presenters will need to arrive on the CCHS campus no later than 10:30am for registration. The first workshop session will run from 12:10 – 1:20pm; the second workshop session will run from 1:30 – 2:40pm. Each workshop will include a mixture of 20–30 students and adults from various schools across the state.

More information about the program is available at <https://ycdiversity.org/events/colorado-youth-diversity-conference/>

Priority Topics

We welcome workshops on a variety of topics, to help students find the information they need to address the social challenges they are facing in their local schools and communities. The teens on this year's YCD Colorado Student Board are particularly interested in receiving proposals on the topics below:

- Anti-oppression 101
- Courageous conversations with people who think differently than you
- Normalizing curiosity
- Developing empathy, understanding, and openmindedness
- Anti-bullying
- Different forms of youth activism, including how to stay safe
- Creating safe and brave spaces

- Genocide
- Racism
- Sexism
- Modern-day and historical segregation and its impacts
- Embracing self and individuality
- Thinking independently
- Mental health (including stigmas)
- Cliques
- Standing up to peer pressure
- Social media (issues, traps, concerns, how to use it for good)
- Communication skills (effectively turning your ideas into words)
- Relationship-building
- How to find reliable trustworthy information and how to recognize propaganda
- Diversity is much more than just skin color
- Gang and gun violence
- Age discrimination
- Societal pressure to perform well
- Slurs and how to be an upstander when they happen
- Queer identities and history
- The importance of diversity and not erasing DEI
- Upstander training
- and any other topic you may want to propose for consideration

Process and Deadline

Please visit our website at <https://ycdiversity.org/get-involved/propose-a-workshop/> to propose your workshop idea. The form takes approximately 15 minutes to complete.

We encourage you to submit a proposal by **Friday, December 5, 2025** for priority consideration.

Once we've received all of the proposals, the Student Board will be going through them to determine which workshops to feature at this year's conference. If you have presented a workshop with us before and would like to be considered for the same workshop/content once again, you can email us (info below) to notify us.

Questions

Please contact Caleb Munro at cmunro@ycdiversity.org or (720) 507-0746. We hope you'll consider presenting at this year's event!