



## All You Need to Know about... Latinos In Action Boot Camp 2018

### IMPORTANT UPDATES:

As of Monday, April 16, 2018, we learned that our partner universities suddenly had to reduce the number of students they can accommodate. Unfortunately, this means that we can only guarantee 3 spots for students, per school. We are grateful for your patience and understanding. We know this may be frustrating for students. As LIA, we are working to respond to the unexpected change with grace.

The good news is that we have a waiting list! Please email the names, emails, and phone numbers of students you'd like on the waiting list, with the email subject titled "WAITING LIST," to: [valeria@latinosinaction.org](mailto:valeria@latinosinaction.org).

To our schools with 3 or more sections of LIA, we may be able to accommodate an additional student for you because you have more sections and leaders. Your Regional Program Manager will contact you if that's the case.

### REGISTRATION:

1. Registration opened April 15, 2018. <https://latinosinaction.org/bootcamp/>
2. **Registration is on a first come, first served basis.** Please register your students as soon as possible!
3. **Students will be asked to pay a \$10 for their t-shirt/materials before proceeding to register.** (At the time of registration, they may either pay online or mark that they will mail in a check).
4. **Confirming Registration: Three weeks prior to boot camp, we will text the students to confirm that they will be attending.**

**If students do not respond within two days to confirm that they will be attending, we will give their spot to someone on the waiting list.**

### WHAT AND WHY?

Latinos In Action strives to continually enhance our support of LIA teachers and students so that you can better serve and lead in your schools and communities. To do that, we seek your feedback and then work to put your ideas into action.

Two years ago, as we surveyed teachers, we heard you asking for help training your LIA presidencies. In response, we created the annual LIA Boot Camp, a three-day, two-night

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leadership training designed to fortify your LIA presidency with the tools, skills, and self-efficacy needed to be visible leaders in your LIA program, in your school, and in the community the following school year.

The Goals of Boot Camp:

1. Develop an awareness of self and others in order to better serve and lead
2. Facilitate an effective meeting
3. Motivate and inspire others
4. Refine communication skills
5. Plan and execute projects/events

## WHO?

Each school is invited to send up to 3 student leaders. Students are invited by the teacher to participate; **all attendees must be approved by the LIA teacher.**

These should be students who are selected to serve in LIA leadership roles for the following school year. This means that teachers and LIA classes need to begin preparing in April or May to select leaders for the following school year.

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## WHAT TYPICALLY HAPPENS AT CAMP?

**Skills-Building Workshops:** Students engage in workshops that help them develop and refine their leadership skills such as how to organize, how to run meetings, how to delegate and follow-up on assignments, and how to best fulfill their position in the LIA presidency. Each student will also learn how to “Mastermind,” or set goals and resolve challenges together as a presidency. Schools will then create a goal to work on for the first quarter. During the school year, Regional Program Managers will bring cohorts of LIA schools together to continue to Mastermind on a quarterly basis. At these quarterly Mastermind meetings, presidencies will report on their goal. If they accomplished the goal, they will set a new one. Each time an LIA presidency achieves a goal, LIA will donate a monetary reward to the class LIA fund.

**Professional Etiquette Dinner:** On one of the nights, Latino community leaders and professionals join us for an etiquette dinner and panel in which they share their journeys and personal advice with students. Afterwards, students practice networking with these leaders.

**Team-Building Activities:** Each day, students participate in team-building activities designed to help unify them as a school team along with getting to know LIA peers in nearby schools. In

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essence, this becomes a “train the trainer” model; we encourage students to use these activities with their LIA classes in order to build greater unity at their schools.

**Collaboration:** We have dedicated “School Planning” time in which LIA presidencies meet to set goals for the year and plan activities. Teachers are invited, and highly encouraged, to join their students for this session.

Additionally, during the first day and a half, we structure the majority of activities to intentionally mix students so that LIA students develop friendships with leaders from other schools. This encourages an exciting exchange of new ideas as students hear about the innovative things that other schools are doing.

**Fun:** We build in lots of recreational activities like swimming, volleyball, other sports like soccer of course, a dance, a movie, and games.

**Mentorship:** Students are assigned a “famiLIA” while at camp. This is a team of 7-10 students of the same gender who work together for the entire camp. Each “famiLIA” is mentored by a camp counselor who is a current LIA college student which provides for one-on-one mentoring. These college students share their experiences as former LIA leaders. In addition, the college camp counselors share their personal paths to college, along with insight into college life and advice to help you be successful at all levels.

## WHAT DOES THIS COST?

Latinos In Action, Inc. covers all the cost of Boot Camp. This includes all the food and lodging while at camp. LIA contracts buses to transport students to camp as well. Students will be assigned a pick up/drop off location and must arrange for personal transportation to that location. From there, the bus and LIA chaperone will take the students to and from camp.

Students will be asked to pay a \$10 fee for their t-shirt/materials.

## INFORMATION FOR THE 2018 BOOT CAMP:

Locations/Dates:

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- Utah State University-Eastern (Price, Utah) – June 26-28, 2018
- Saint Leo University (Tampa, FL) – July 11-13, 2018
- Utah State University (Logan, Utah) – July 18-20, 2018

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## PARENT NIGHTS:

Please share this video with students and parents:

■ English: <https://youtu.be/g7ZPN-XfXVo>

■ Español: <https://youtu.be/jjclEBoEODw>

[PowerPoint with information for parents](#)

Latinos In Action also provides parent nights in both English and Spanish to share the vision of Boot Camp with parents and discuss the safety and protection of students. Please encourage your students and parents to attend the informational sessions.

**Each will last from 6:30-7:30PM and childcare will be provided.**

- Granger High School - May 22, 2018
- American Fork Junior - May 23, 2018
- Ogden High School - May 24, 2018
- Canyons School District (9361 S 300 E, Sandy, UT 84070) - May 29, 2018
- Woods Cross High School - May 30, 2018
- Springville High School - May 31, 2018

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Q: Who will supervise the students?**

A: Each student will be assigned to a same gender group of 7-10 students, supervised by one "Camp Counselor," a current LIA college student who will attend all workshops & activities with them.

**Q: How is the lodging arranged?**

A: Boys and girls stay in separate dorms with adult supervision. They are not be allowed to enter each others' rooms. We conduct roll call each night and morning.

**Q: Why don't students stay in dorm rooms with their classmates?**

A: Students are mixed with other students of the same grades and gender but from different schools. This is to promote collaboration amongst schools and facilitate the exchange of exciting ideas. It also helps LIA students learn to network with others and get outside their comfort zone to learn how to develop friendships and lead.

**Q: Can parents participate?**

A: Parents are invited to **drop-off and pick-up** their student instead of the student riding the school bus.

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**Q: Who is invited to attend?**

A: 7-12 grade LIA students who have been elected to leadership positions or selected by their LIA teachers.

**Q: What does my child have to bring to camp?**

- A SIGNED WAIVER!
- School supplies to donate!
- **Can my child bring medicine?**
  - Per state educational regulations, students will need to check in all medicine with the designated camp leader upon arrival. Medicine needs to come in its appropriate container with the prescription on it. Students will be able to keep only the following medicines on their person: Inhaler for asthma, Epi-Pen, Diabetes medications/supplies.
- Once the student is registered, we will email a suggested packing list

**Q: Is there a cost?**

A: \$10 for materials but the student receives the camp for free, an experience worth over \$200!

**Q: Where do I drop off and pick up my child?**

A: Parents have the option of dropping off and picking up their students from the campus or relying on the provided transportation.

**Q: Will parents be able to get a hold of their child during the boot camp?**

A: Yes, but students should remember they will be at camp to learn and experience, not surf on their phones.

**Q: Can a child leave early or arrive late?**

A: We strongly advise that students arrive on time and stay the entire time in order to be fully trained and prepared to lead.

## QUESTIONS?

**Contact your Regional Program Manager:**

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