

## 12th ANNUAL MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE



"Your Voice Matters: Make a Difference"

Friday, November 30, 2018

Perelman Quadrangle, Houston Hall University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA

## 2018 DVCEE Middle School Student Leadership Institute

## Agenda

8:15a-8:45a **Registration and Breakfast** 

Houston Hall - Hall of Flags

9:00a-9:10a **Welcome** 

Dr. Bob Jarvis - Director of DVCEE

Irvine Auditorium

9:10a-10:00a **Keynote** 

Carlos Ojeda Jr. Irvine Auditorium

10:10a-11:05a **Breakout Session 1** (*Choose* 1)

Various

11:15a-12:10p Breakout Session 2 (Choose 1)

Various

12:15p-12:45p **Lunch** 

Houston Hall- Hall of Flags

12:45-1:30 Poetry Slam with Tim Stafford and Natasha Carrizosa

\*\*\* First come, first serve basis for registrations\*\*\*\*

## Please select 1 session for each time slot:

**Session A:** Level UP! No Time for the Fake Ones

**Presenter:** Andrea Lawful

**Location:** Irvine Hall - Green Room

This workshop is designed to teach you The Value and Freedom in Being Authentic and The Power in Going Against the Grain to excellent results not only as a teenager, but in LIFE, through the sharing of true events, that will amaze and energize you! You will also learn how to discover what drives YOU, and use whatever that is, to create the life YOU want to have. Simply put, it is time, to Level UP!)



Session B: Who R U?: Self-Awareness as a Source of Power

**Presenter**: Griselda Rodriquez **Location**: Irvine Auditorium

This interactive and educational workshop is developed to assist students on the path of self-development. Existing academic and medical research illustrates that high levels of self-esteem are positively correlated with high levels of educational achievement and leadership. A strong sense of self, therefore, is essential to creating leaders. This multimedia presentation will help students to realize that the way they think of themselves affects the way they will live their lives. In short, the students will walk away

multimedia presentation will help students to realize that the way they think of themselves affects the way they will live their lives. In short, the students will walk away understanding that who they are has been shaped by several factors — family, education, religion, media, etc. — and who they are becoming is partly up to them. Students will feel prepared to believe that they have more control over their

futures than they may have been led to think.

Session C: I am... A Super Hero

**Presenter:** Joey Negron **Location:** Irvine Hall, G16

This workshop brings out the "SUPER POWER" in students who admire what super heroes as Iron Man or Wonder Woman stand for. This leadership workshop is tailor-made to inspire middle and high school students to STEP UP to achieve their dreams and aspirations instead of backing down while facing life challenges.)



Session D: Speak up, Stand up!

Presenter: Tim Stafford

Location: Irvine Hall, Amado Room

We can't wait for others to take care of things for us. It's time to speak up and take charge of our lives and our community. In this workshop, participants will learn how to use their voices effectively to bring about the changes they want to see in the world. Participants will work with each other to come up with creative ways to share their messages with their communities and beyond.



**Session E:** 10 People Ways to Love and Lead w/ Passion!

**Presenter:** Lamarr Womble

**Location**: Houston Hall, Hall of Flags

Passion and People is P4L's powerful Anti-Bullying program! Middle and High School students face a number of social challenges throughout their young lives and this interactive program puts a positive spin on issues that surround bullying. This program will focus on how students can create, develop and maintain positive relationships with everyone they interact with in their lives. The ideas taught in this program are tangible and

can be utilized immediately to build better relationships with friends, foes, acquaintances, family, teachers, coaches and even complete strangers.)



**Presenter:** Shantae J Edwards **Location:** Irvine Hall – Café 58

During this empowering experience, Shantae J. exposes students to identify what impact looks like when they use their voice to foster change. This workshop will allow students to gain a better sense of self and understand the power and skill sets they have to make change possible. Students will identify things that matter to them and discuss ways they can use their passions to shift ideas into actions. Students will design and share ways they can create impact in their schools and communities.)



Session G: My Story

**Presenter:** Natasha Carrizosa **Location:** Irvine Hall, G7

Defining self and freedom of expression is vital to the individual. This is especially true for young people. Writing is a powerful tool. It can be an avenue of self-discovery, creativity, and connection to the world around us. Everyone of us has a story. This workshop is designed to provoke thoughts, invoke self-actualization, reflect on who we are as individuals and as people. Using the art form of poetry, students will write their own personal MY STORY poem and have the opportunity to share their work in an open mic following the writing session!



**Session H:** The Heart of the Activity

**Presenter:** Carlos Ojeda Jr

**Location:** Houston Hall, Bodek Lounge \*\* For teachers and administrators only\*\*

Anyone can do an icebreaker, energizer or activity, but how do make them truly memorable and impactful? By getting to the heart of the activity. During this session, participants will learn how to infuse their energizers, icebreakers and activities with the energy and emotion needed to change them from fun, physical activities to transformative

moments that are relevant and meaningful to students. Come to this session ready to laugh, feel and learn activities and approaches through participation and leave with the technique to take your activities to another level.)

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