



LORENZO DE ZAVALA

NATIONAL HISPANIC INSTITUTE PRESENTS 2024 LORENZO DE ZAVALA

YOUTH LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Established in Austin, Texas, in 1979, the National Hispanic Institute (NHI) is a leading, educational nonprofit organization that fosters future community leaders throughout the Americas. NHI creates experiences that engage achieving high school and college youth in projects designed to advance our quality of life. NHI's international network includes tens of thousands of industry leaders and community changemakers who are highly successful.



UNLOCK THE POWER OF YOUR VOICE

The LDZ is an internationally recognized, eight-day transformational leadership experience for students, ages 16-17. Filled with twists and turns, they are challenged to create and manage a student-led government. During this process, they voice their opinions, present and defend their ideas, and build networks of support. In the LDZ game, delegates get to decide what ideas, ideals, and values are most important to communities of the future. LDZ is designed to spark in them the creative collaboration that inspires community change!



SCAN QR CODE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NHI



NHI BY THE NUMBERS



- 98% of NHI members enroll in college immediately after high school
- 90% of NHI members are admitted to selective colleges and universities
- 90% of NHI members complete their undergraduate degrees in 5 years or less
- Since 1979, over 100,000 youth have participated in NHI learning experiences
- Seven Nations & 25 U.S. States were represented at NHI Summer Programs in 2023
- More than 75% of NHI participants receive financial support and investment from community leaders, resources, and organizations



SCAN TO HEAR FROM ALUMNI

THE LDZ CHALLENGES YOU TO BELIEVE IN YOURSELF & YOUR COMMUNITY

For eight magical days, LDZ participants from throughout the Americas form a youth government that focuses on positive community change. Together, the cohort organizes a democratic system to write and review policies of the future. Whether it be running for election, building a network, or playing a leadership role, the LDZ challenges all students to collaborate with a diverse group of perspectives. Additionally, students grapple with issues of priorities, time management, and competing ideas. As each delegate is elected or appointed to a role – including senators, representatives, executive, and judicial branch members – learning to be an influencer becomes increasingly real and fun! The question is: how effectively can their leadership class organize and build consensus?



[HTTPS://WWW.NATIONALHISPANICINSTITUTE.ORG/LDZ-2024](https://www.nationalhispanicinstitute.org/ldz-2024)

2024 LDZ TUITION

Tuition for the LDZ covers eight days on a college in dorms, a full meal plan, private access to training areas, a college day exclusively for program participants, a staff-student ratio of one adult to every fifteen students, supplies and materials, a commemorative program t-shirt, a certificate of participation, and a highly-motivating curriculum. *Tuition does not cover transportation.

The LDZ tuition is \$1,050 (for Texas and Colorado) & \$1,120 (for American LDZ) plus a \$25 application fee & and a \$150 non-refundable deposit (prices in U.S. dollars). Upon official acceptance to the program, NHI requires this deposit to secure your spot. Families manage tuition in various ways from setting up an approved payment plan, seeking out sponsors, easy online fundraising, or even qualifying for special select community grants. NHI makes it a point to work with each family on their specific plans for tuition.

Students who complete the LDZ will be granted all the rights, privileges, and honors of NHI membership, so long as they remain in good standing and will hence be invited to future opportunities for personal growth as well as volunteerism and faculty development within the organization.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

- 10 - 11th grade students
- 3.2 GPA or higher
- Enrollment in a college-bound curriculum



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Recent report card or high school transcript
- Completion of a Parent/Guardian Release Document
- \$25 Application Fee

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1 Scan QR code or visit our LDZ landing page
- 2 Select preferred program location and dates

Dennis Chavez New Mexico LDZ June 9 - 16, 2024 University of New Mexico Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA Colorado LDZ June 16 - 23, 2024 Colorado State University Fort Collins, Colorado, USA	American LDZ July 7 - 14, 2024 St. Mary's College of Maryland St. Mary's City, Maryland, USA Texas LDZ July 2024 Central Texas, USA *** Dates & Location TBA
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- 3 Select "Apply Here"
- 4 Submit the \$25 application fee
- 5 Upload a recent card or transcript (Last reporting period for 2022 - 2023 school year accepted).
- 6 Enrollment Office reviews application within 3-5 business days & emails admission results

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ADMISSION DEADLINES

- Golden Ticket, Sept. 30, 2023
- Early Admission, Oct. 20, 2023
- Fall Admission, Nov. 20, 2023
- Winter Admission, Dec. 20, 2023