



2024 MESA Student Leadership Retreat
Happy Valley Conference Center, Santa Cruz, California
April 4-April 6, 2025

Welcome to the 30th Annual MESA Leadership Retreat!

One hundred and sixty students and staff representing California MESA Community College programs throughout the state are here this weekend. Meet your peers and future colleagues who come from colleges as far north as the Oregon border; down through the wine country, the rural and farmland country; big cities; all the way to the very southern deserts of the state. In addition to getting to know each other and your common journeys, this weekend is intended as a time of reflection, inspiration, exploration, skill-building, and challenge.

Agenda at a Glance
Friday, April 4, 2025

<p>3:00 pm-5:30pm</p>	<p align="center">Registration (Outside Dining Hall) settle in to your room, explore, relax, or study <i>Set up dining room tables:</i></p>
<p>5:30pm-6:30pm</p>	<p align="center">Dinner (Dining Hall) <i>Serving:</i> <i>Clean Up wipe down tables 6:35 pm</i></p>
<p>6:15pm-7:00pm</p>	<p align="center">Orientation/ Welcome (Dining Hall)</p>
<p>7:00pm-8:00pm</p>	<p align="center">Opening Session (Dining Hall) Keynote Get inspired by a powerhouse in STEM!</p>

<p>8:15pm-9:00pm</p>	<p align="center">Field Project Meetings Plan out your weekend long project with your team.</p>
<p>8:15m-8:45pm</p>	<p align="center">Mandatory MESA Directors' and Chaperone Meeting (Outside Lodge)</p>
<p>9:00pm-11:45pm</p>	<p align="center">Free Time Activities Marshmallow Roast.....Campfire Circle <i>Campfire Duty :</i> Study TimeCreekside Hall <i>All Quiet or Indoors Reminder Duty :</i></p>
<p>11:45pm</p>	<p align="center">Lights out <i>Duty</i></p>

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Saturday April 5, 2025

7:30 am	<p>Rise & Shine</p> <p><i>Wake up call Duty:</i></p>
8:00am-8:50am	<p>Breakfast (Dining Hall)</p> <p><i>Serving: Clean Up wipe down dining room tables: (8:45 am)</i></p>
9:00am-10:15 am	<p>Breakout Session #1</p> <p>Renewable Energy Lab Parking Lot</p> <p>Natural History WalkCampfire Circle</p> <p>Evolution GameLawn</p> <p>Arduino-Based ProgrammingDining Hall</p> <p>Intention– Setting and Mindfulness Practice.....Gazebo</p> <p>Leadership Network.....Creekside Hall</p>
10:30am-11:45am	<p>Breakout Session #2</p> <p>(See Breakout Session #1 for sessions and locations.)</p>
12:00pm-12:45 pm	<p>Lunch (Dining Hall)</p> <p><i>Serving:</i></p> <p><i>Clean Up wipe down dining room tables</i></p>
1:00pm-2:15pm	<p>Breakout Session #3</p> <p>(See Breakout Session #1 for sessions and locations.)</p> <p>Director’s meeting (patio)</p>
2:30pm-3:45pm	<p>Breakout Session #4</p> <p>(See Breakout Session #1 for sessions and locations.)</p>

4:15pm	<p>Mystery Spot Field Project (Front of Kitchen)</p>
5:00pm-6:00pm	<p>Break time</p> <p>Quiet study time Lodge and Creekside Hall</p>
6:00pm-7:00pm	<p>Turn in your Autograph Sheet Ping Pong Table</p> <p>Dinner (Dining Hall)</p> <p><i>Serving:</i></p> <p><i>Clean Up wipe down dining room tables (6:45 pm)</i></p>
7:00pm-8:30pm	<p>Saturday Night Live</p>
8:30pm-9:30pm	<p>Ice Cream Sundaes (Outside Lodge)</p> <p><i>Sundae Service Duty:</i></p> <p><i>Clean-Up:</i></p>
9:00pm	<p>Stargazing (Front Lawn)</p> <p>Cosmic Joe explores the wonders of the universe.</p>
9:00pm-11:45pm	<p>Free Time Activities</p> <p>Marshmallow Roast.....Campfire Circle</p> <p><i>Campfire Duty : (9:00-10:00 pm)</i></p> <p>Quiet Study TimeCreekside Hall</p> <p><i>All Quiet or Indoors Reminder Duty :</i></p> <p>10:00pm</p>

Agenda
Sunday April 6, 2025

7:00 am	Rise & Shine <i>Wake up call Duty:</i>
8:00am- 8:30am	Breakfast (Dining Hall) <i>Serving:</i> <i>Clean Up wipe down dining room tables: (8:25 am)</i>
8:30am- 11:00 am	Field Study Finale!
11:00am- 11:30am	Design Test– Engineering Field Study (Front Lawn)
11:30am- 12:00 pm	Field Study Awards & Closing (Front Lawn)
12:00pm- 1:00pm	Lunch (Dining Hall) <i>Serving:</i> <i>Pick up tables and chairs</i>
1:00pm	Everything Must be Out of the Rooms And Cabins Items left behind will be donated