



# University of Northern Colorado AmeriCorps K2H Civic Futures

In collaboration with Campus Compact of the Mountain West

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## University of Northern Colorado Office of Academic Engagement and K2H Civic Futures

- The **University of Northern Colorado (UNC) K2H Civic Futures** program is an ongoing collaboration between the **Office of Academic Community Engagement (ACE)**, **AmeriCorps K2H Civic Futures (K2H)** and **Campus Compact of the Mountain West (CCMW)**.
- The program focuses on civic learning and engagement opportunities and skill development for students ranging from kindergarten through higher education (K2H).
- **UNC Office of Academic Engagement** is one of 12 partnerships within the state of Colorado in addition to numerous higher education institution collaborations across the United States.
- **K2H Civic Futures** is a federally funded AmeriCorps program through the **Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)**, administered by CCMW.
- **Primary Goals of AmeriCorps K2H Civic Futures:** 1) To create stronger partnership pipelines for civic learning and engagement between K-12 schools/districts and higher education institutions, and 2) provide direct civic learning and engagement youth within our K2H Public Achievement designated sites
- **The Office of Academic Engagement with AmeriCorps K2H Civic Futures is collaborating** with the **Greeley-Evans School District 6 (D6)** and the **University Schools** system. Our PA project begins Spring 2020.

## Public Achievement Curriculum

- **Public Achievement (PA) curriculum** is a internationally recognized foundational piece for civic engagement learning. The PA curriculum model was developed at the University of Minnesota's Center for Democracy and Citizenship. PA curriculum access is now administered within Augsburg University, Minneapolis, MN.
- The PA curriculum model empowers middle and high school students to use their voices and make meaningful, transformative change in their schools and communities.
- Students use a deliberative process and work to identify an issue and implement change. Students are encouraged to develop their voices and awareness of social issues, enhancing engagement and connections within their communities.
- All PA projects are entirely student driven, legal, non-violent and contribute to the public good. Students learn from their experiences through reflection and evaluation. Previous project topics have included: environmental concerns, public services, teen suicide, immigration, texting while driving and drug addiction.
- All UNC K2H Civic Futures PA projects promote college readiness, success and leadership.

## UNC K2H Civic Futures Team

**All K2H Civic Future Teams are comprised of Liaisons and Mentors:**

**K2H Liaisons** are full time and part-time seasoned professionals, graduates, graduate students and retirees, who act as project administrators providing support to where needed to build inclusive learning environments for students learning, family support and community collaborations.

**K2H Mentors** are part-time undergraduates over the age of 18 and professionals, who assist with the curriculum delivery. Undergraduate mentors gain experience within an educational setting by providing weekly in-class instruction and tutoring to student participant groups.



**Our UNC K2H Civic Futures is currently looking to increase the team! Interest ....**  
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