



JUNE 15-20, 2024
RATHDRUM, IDAHO

75 YEARS

OF LEARNING LEADERSHIP THROUGH RECREATION

CHATCOLAB 2024 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

OPEN THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2024

To submit a proposal, please read all of the information included, prepare your material, and submit your proposal through our online portal at www.Chatcolab.org

Chatcolab Northwest Leadership Laboratory's 75th Annual Theme is **TURNAROUND 180**.

With our past guiding us, we can take the knowledge, lessons, and respect for who and what has come before and focus it on five areas of leadership as we plan and prepare for the future. Those five areas include:

- **TRADITIONS** In today's world it is a joy to look back at how CHAT started (College of Hidden Arts and Talents). In what ways can you share humor, philosophy, ideas, & knowledge?
- **ENVIRONMENT** A beautiful camp setting along the Twin Lakes in Northern Idaho lends itself to many different aspects of environmental education including science, games, arts, water sports, hiking, writing and more.
- **PERSONAL GROWTH** An opportunity to expand knowledge and share new ideas. Learning to work with groups in various settings including networking, communication, promotion, cooperation, trying new experiences and exploring new skills.
- **DIVERSITY** By definition, to be diverse, we need to be inclusive. Do you have ideas to share outside of the box thinking and sharing culture and values.
- **CELEBRATION** As we focus on traditions, environment, personal growth and diversity we also need to take stock in the amazing opportunity we have each year to gather together and celebrate. Sharing party and activity ideas, games, and just being silly are all encouraged.

Presentation proposals and participants from anywhere within North America are encouraged.

Chatcolab draws primarily from Idaho, Washington, Oregon, and Montana. If selected you will receive anywhere from a partial to a full campership (valued up to \$450) that includes housing, meals and program attendance and may be eligible for travel expenses.

QUESTIONS?? Please reach out to Vice Chair Janell Marmon at (863) 969-9272 (cell/text)



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Information below may be completed and attached to an email or completed utilizing a google doc HERE: www.chatcolab.org/proposals

Please complete your workshop proposal that includes:

1. Workshop Title
2. Who Can Attend (age limit/# of participants limit)
3. Picture of Yourself/Project
4. Your Name/Title
5. Address/Phone Number/Email/Contact Information
6. Workshop Description [About 100 Words]
7. Biography of Presenter [75 Words or Less]
8. Please attach a list of resources to your proposal (websites, books, people, etc...)
9. Cost per Participant (if required)
10. Compelling argument on how this workshop will foster leadership [100 Words or Less]
11. Resources [books / websites / classes that you have used to build this laboratory proposal]
12. Type of Presentation [Check All That May Apply]
 - All Lab Presenter [8 + hours]
 - In-Depth Presenter [6 + hours]
 - Mini-Presenter [About 2 hours]
 - Special 'Evening/Campfire' Program [30 - 45 minutes]
 - Other [Please Describe]

Submit by August 31, 2023 for Chatcolab 2024 to chatcolabprograms@gmail.com
or complete the google doc HERE: <https://forms.gle/1A7teFnLhrUNJS6Y7>
For further direction call/text Janell Marmon, Chatcolab Vice Chair at (863) 969-9272

WHAT IS CHATCOLAB?

Chatcolab Northwest Leadership Development Laboratory is a blend of the recreation laboratory ideas born in the early thirties at Waldenwoods, Michigan and an older model for education the "Chautauqua" from New York. 2022 will be the 73rd year for this Idaho based leadership laboratory and non-profit corporation. This lab developed out of partnerships with the College of Forestry [Now College of Natural Resources] & the Idaho State 4-H Office at the University of Idaho; 4-H at Washington State University, Oregon State University and Montana State University. It is focused on leadership education in a natural resource setting using recreation as a framework. It serves 13 western states. It is slow paced and reflective.



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A GLANCE AT PLANNING YOUR WEEK

Health & Safety: The physical and emotional well being of Chatcolab participants is our top priority. Please do your part by taking care of yourself and be courteous to others. Do not disturb classes or activities and respect camp quiet times.

Twinlow Camp policy mandates NO firearms, weapons, alcohol, or illegal substances on the premises. Smoking is allowed only in designated areas. Vehicles may be driven to the cabins and the lodge for unloading and loading purposes only. Only drive on roads. Vehicles must be parked in the parking lots. Roads must always remain open for fire lanes and emergency use. Lakefront use is allowed only when Twinlow Staff is present.

Activities: We encourage you to take part in all that Chatcolab has to offer. All presenters and board members have volunteered their time and resources to ensure a successful lab. We ask that you be respectful and considerate by not interrupting sessions or activities. Please be on time for all facets of lab.

Workshops: Class locations announced daily. Workshops may have participant limits, age requirements and/or fees. Silence phones and do not use electronics during classes, workshops or activities.

Facilities: Please enjoy the amenities but leave them in the best possible condition to show our gratitude for using Twinlow Camp. If you move furniture for classes, return it by the end of the week. If you see litter, please put it in trash or recycle bins. Report any damaged facilities or equipment.

Daily Duties: Many hands make light work - when everyone does their part, no one must do more than their share.

Supplies & Costumes: Use any items you need during lab and take a moment to tidy up after using supplies or costumes.

Library/Resource Center: The reference library is for everyone's enjoyment. Please return items when you are finished.

It All begins With You: Labbers 18 or older are Chatcolab voting members and eligible for election to the Board of Directors. Three volunteer board positions are filled each year. A returning youth under 18 may be selected by peers as a non-voting Youth Representative during Chatcolab. Chatcolab's constitution and by-laws will be posted for the annual meeting. Annual meetings are required by the State of Idaho for non-profit corporations.

Please consider serving on the board.

PHILOSOPHY

Chatcolab Northwest Leadership Laboratory is designed as a stimulating experience for people who are interested in leadership recreation.

The Lab is a few days of group living where there is an exchange of ideas and techniques in the field of leadership recreation.

The Lab is a retreat from the daily routine. Group unity flows as individuals develop together in work and play.

**MAJOR EMPHASIS IS PLACED IN
JOY AND CAMARADERIE.**

NEW KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES are gained through the sharing of creative activities - leading to mental, emotional and spiritual growth.

THE SPIRIT OF CHATCOLAB

A sharing camp, with no distinctions of leaders from campers, pupils from teachers

A fellowship separated from any sponsoring institution and self-perpetuating by a process of democracy

Goals for the enrichment of all life and not merely to add skills and information to already busy folk

Attendance from diverse vocations and backgrounds and never seek uniformity for its campers

Those who gather here assume cooperation in complete sharing as a way of life

CHATCOLAB, INC Recreation Leadership Laboratory is an equal-opportunity, affirmative-action, non-profit educational organization begun in 1948 to offer leadership development through recreation. Youth and adults come together to build leadership skills. The lab meets annually at a residential camp and offers learning through general leadership sessions and interactive workshops. Anyone interested in personal, professional or volunteer development is welcome.