



# 2025

## CHATCOLAB CALL FOR PROPOSALS

OPEN THROUGH AUGUST 28, 2025

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](http://www.Chatcolab.org)

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 [chatcolabprograms@gmail.com](mailto:chatcolabprograms@gmail.com)

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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](http://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 28, 2024 for Chatcolab 2025 to [chatcolabprograms@gmail.com](mailto:chatcolabprograms@gmail.com)  
or complete the google doc HERE: <https://forms.gle/1A7teFnLhrUNJS6Y7>  
For further direction email [chatcolabprograms@gmail.com](mailto:chatcolabprograms@gmail.com)

## 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. 2025 will be the 76th 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.