The Find Your Future Summer Education Camp is a five-day residential program hosted by the Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education at the University of Oklahoma. This program is designed to recruit and prepare high school students of color who are interested in becoming educators in order to address the critical shortage of educators from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds in the state of Oklahoma and across the country. Students who participate will be encouraged to reflect upon their own educational experiences and develop a deeper understanding of themselves and their relationships with others in their schools and in society. This program is offered at no cost to participants.

For more information about the program or for assistance with completing the application, please visit our website at http://bit.ly/FYFEdCamp or contact Krystal Golding-Ross at (405) 325-6220 or krystalg@ou.edu.

APPLICATION DEADLINE - APRIL 15, 2018.

Applications will be accepted after the deadline until all spots have been filled.

*The University of Oklahoma is an equal opportunity institution.*
PARTICIPANTS MUST BE:

- Students of color who are currently enrolled in high school, with preference given to students who will be juniors or seniors in Fall 2018
- Interested in exploring the possibility of a career in education
- Academically motivated with plans to attend college after graduation

PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE:

- Five days of housing and meals at OU
- Transportation to and from campus (if in the OKC or Tulsa metro areas)
- Opportunities to learn from speakers and panelists
- Opportunities to engage in collaborative learning activities
- Information about careers in education
- Information about applying to and paying for college
- Information about scholarship opportunities
- Mentoring from faculty, staff, and students in the College of Education at OU
- Ongoing support for success in high school and beyond
- Invitations to OU events

APPLICATION CHECKLIST – All materials are required.

- Form 1 – Student Information Form
  To be completed by student

- Form 2 – Parent/Guardian Information Form
  To be completed by parent(s)/guardian(s)

- Form 3 – School Official Recommendation
  To be completed by a school official, such as a teacher, counselor, principal, coach, etc. who knows you well.

- High School Transcript (no minimum GPA requirement)

- Written Essay (250 words maximum)
  Essay requirements are listed on the last page of this application.

Please scan and email completed application to krystalg@ou.edu or mail to:

Krystal Golding-Ross
Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education
820 Van Vleet Oval, Rm 100
Norman, OK 73019
Form 1 – Student Information
Please print clearly.

Legal Name: __________________________  Preferred Name: _________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip: _____________________  Phone: ________________________________

Email: _______________________________  Alt. Phone: ____________________________

Gender:

☐ Boy

☐ Girl

If neither of the above applies, please describe your gender identity: ______________________

Race/Ethnicity – check all that apply:

☐ White/Caucasian  ☐ Black/African American

☐ Asian/Asian American  ☐ Hispanic/Latino(a)

☐ American Indian/Alaska Native (Tribal Affiliation ________________________________)

☐ If none of the above applies, please specify: ________________________________

Current School: __________________________________________________________________

Current GPA: __________  What grade will you be in as of Fall 2017? _____________

Do you currently have a job or work on a regular basis?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO; #hours/week _________

Please describe your extracurricular, volunteer, or leadership activities (if none, write N/A):

_____________________________________________________________________________

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Did you have a teacher of color in elementary school? (circle one)  YES  NO

Have you had a teacher of color in middle or high school? (circle one)  YES  NO
Form 2 – Parent/Guardian Information
Please print clearly.

Parent/Guardian Name: ___________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Please indicate highest education obtained:
☐ High School Diploma or GED (If none, please specify highest grade: _____________)
☐ Some college, no degree
☐ Associate’s degree
☐ Bachelor’s degree
☐ Graduate or Professional degree

Employer: __________________________ Occupation: __________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: __________________________________________________________

Phone: __________________________ Email: ________________________________

Please indicate highest education obtained:
☐ High School Diploma or GED (If none, please specify highest grade: _____________)
☐ Some college, no degree
☐ Associate’s degree
☐ Bachelor’s degree
☐ Graduate or Professional degree

Employer: __________________________ Occupation: __________________________

Are there any languages other than English spoken in the home? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, please specify which languages: ___________________________________________
Form 3 – School Official Recommendation

The Find Your Future program looks for students who genuinely possess the desire and potential to prepare for a college education and who wish to become educators themselves. Your candid and honest appraisal of the candidate will be most helpful during the selection process. Place an “X” under the column which best describes the applicant below. Also, please add any other comments and provide your overall recommendation. You are welcome to attach additional pages if desired. This form should be placed in a sealed envelope or scanned and emailed directly to Krystal Golding-Ross (krystalg@ou.edu). Please contact Krystal via email or by phone at (405) 325-6220 if you have any questions.

Applicant Name: ____________________________

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COMMENTS: ____________________________________________

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Overall recommendation of the applicant based on your ratings and comments: (Please check one)

☐ I highly recommend this applicant.
☐ I recommend this applicant.
☐ I recommend this applicant, with some reservation.
☐ I am not able to recommend this applicant.

Recommender Name (Please Print) ____________________________

Job Title ____________________________

Signature ____________________________ Date ____________________________
Statement of Goals

Written Essay

Please attach an essay of no more than 250 words that addresses the following areas:

1. Please describe your future academic goals and how you plan to achieve them through the Find Your Future program.

2. Please briefly explain why you are interested in exploring the field of education.

This essay must be typed. Please be sure to put your name on the attached sheet.