



KOLA INITIATIVE



What is the KOLA Initiative?

The KOLA Initiative (Knowledge of Lakota Ambassadors) is a program that has been developed to offer an in-depth and lifechanging experience for leaders who want to expand their knowledge and find opportunities to collaborate with others and youth on the Cheyenne River Reservation.

Things That Will Be Covered During the Initiative

The KOLA programming covers a broad but connected collection of subjects. Ranging from intercultural competency to food justice and handling certifications, to diversity, equity, and inclusion training. You can expect an all-encompassing experience when you sign up for the KOLA initiative.

Tentative Initiative Schedule

Welcome

Our activity this month will be a virtual welcome meeting and introduction to the initiative.



MARCH 2023

APRIL 2023

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Regional Trainings

This month there will be an in-person regional training near you. Providing certifications and trainings.

History and Culture

A virtual training on the history and culture of place. Specifically the location you will be visiting.



MAY 2023

JUNE 2023

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Dupree Sessions

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JULY 2023

AUGUST 2023

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Debrief

Virtually offering debrief conversations about the Dupree Sessions

Continued Action

Learning and brainstorming ways to advocate for communities that have been effected by marginalization



SEPTEMBER 2023

OCTOBER 2023

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