

Connections • Week of Jan 27/28, 2015**College Access Corps—SPARKS DAY!**

Connections Objectives:

- Facilitate activities that allow youth to work hands-on with materials, ideas, and/or skills
 - Balance concrete and abstract ideas
 - Provide youth opportunities to practice group process skills and work in groups of different sizes
 - Give youth opportunities to lead a group (with support)
 - Provide youth opportunities to make open-ended content choices based on their interests
 - Ask youth for feedback on the activities and use the feedback when planning
 - Focus on college and career access and readiness
 - Incorporate service-learning in programming
- Give a chance to reflect upon their Connections experience

Schedule:

Time	Activity	Name of Activity
3:15-3:35	Arrival and Snack	Attendance chart/ prizes
3:35-3:50	Agenda & Opening Activity	Vote on game
3:50-4:15	Main Activity	College Access: Spark Day
4:15-4:45	Tutor Time	
4:45	Group Former	Mentee/ mentor
4:45-4:55	Reflection	
4:55-5:00	Celebrations / Group Check-in	Pows and Wows

Materials Needed:Arrival Activity

- Attendance chart/ prizes/stickers
- snack

Main Activity (include materials needed for planning strategy, when applicable)

- 2 bags marshmallows, toothpicks,
- Pen, Pencil, Paper, Markers
- Improv scenarios

Tutor Time

- New resources (math, science, social studies)

Forming Strategy & Reflection

- question sheets (for mentors/ mentees)
- pens

Details:Arrival Activity (approximate time)**What will the participants do upon their arrival?**

Participants will arrive, put a sticker on the attendance chart, and eat snack.