



# Northern California Consortium

## Program Update Fall 2008 Edition

### Upcoming events:

- LEAP Academy  
Sessions at Butte College  
  
12/13/08  
01/10/09  
01/13/09  
02/21/09  
03/07/09  
04/04/09
- Proyecto Navidad  
December 6, 2008  
Plumas National Forest,  
Feather River Ranger District

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### Entered as High School Students, Exited as College Students



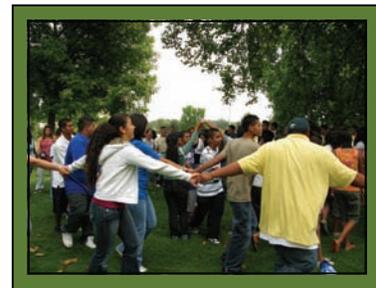
Students from across the north state descended upon Shasta College to participate in the first ever Shasta Leadership Academy in July. During the week-long residential academy students participated in a variety of leadership, college preparatory and career awareness activities while developing academic skills.

The Shasta Leadership Academy was a collaborative endeavor between the Northern California Consortium, Migrant Education Program and Shasta College.

Each of the 80 participating students completed 48 hours of class time and earned three college units. In addition to the structured class time students were exposed to the college environment including the computer labs, dorm living and various major departments.

Group leaders guided students through career exploration; speech and debate; and leadership activities

to prepare them for the culminating presentation for school administrators and guests. Following the presentation, students were rewarded for their hard work throughout the week with a dance with music provided by local disc jockey Miguel Rodriguez.



Students participating in teambuilding activities



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## Students Camp Under The Stars

The Northern California Consortium; Migrant Education, Region II, Area IV Program; and Boy Scouts of America collaborated to escort 43 migrant high school students to Camp Lassen, in Butte Meadows, CA. Students enjoyed an overnight camping trip that included mountain biking, kayaking, archery, and an exercise in Natural Resources lead by Humboldt State Recruiter Lisa Perry.

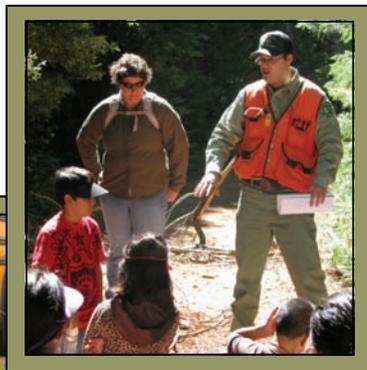
The camp's main focus was to provide students with leadership skills while introducing them to the many outdoor opportunities available to them.



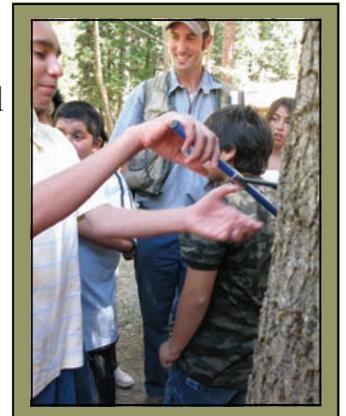
## Outdoor Adventures

As a part of the US Forest Service's initiative "More Kids In The Woods," the Northern California Consortium teamed up with the Migrant Education, Region II, Area III Program to provide local migrant students the opportunity to see the outdoors this summer. Students were invited to join the Forest Service on two "Outdoor Adventures."

The first adventure was to the Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge to discover local wetlands and marshes

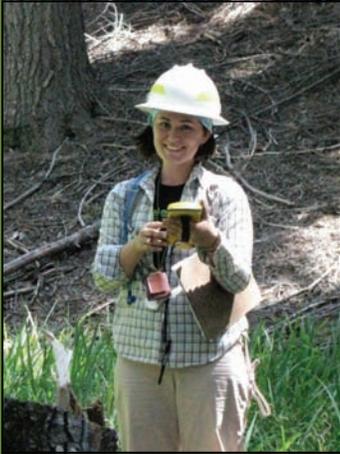


and their relationship to fire management and habitat restoration. Professionals from the refuge guided students on a tour, providing students access to areas typically closed to the general public.



The second adventure took us to the Plumas National Forest to explore hydrology, botany, and forestry. Feather River Ranger District staff lead students on an educational hike where they learned about trail and stream restoration projects. Students also got to visit an active Fire Lookout and learn about their importance to National Forests. Sierra Pacific Industries Professional Forester Eric Sweet spoke with students about different varieties of tree species and demonstrated how to determine the height and diameter of various trees.

## 2008 Summer Intern Program



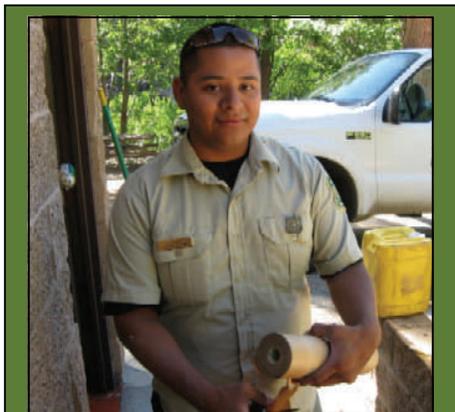
**Erica Helton**  
**Hydrology Intern**  
**Mendocino National Forest**

The summer internship program was designed to provide students the opportunity to gain valuable work experience, training and leadership skills. This summer the Northern California Consortium successfully placed 17 students in Student Temporary Employment Program positions throughout the Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region and the National Park Service. Students were placed in various technician, office automation clerk, and laborer positions. We would like to thank the following National Forests for hosting and being mentors to our students: Inyo, Mendocino, Plumas, San Bernardino, Shasta-Trinity, Six Rivers, and Tahoe.

“Casara took the internship very seriously, applying her education to work tasks and using work experience to build on to her education.”  
**Six Rivers National Forest, Intern Supervisor**



“My internship has benefited me by giving me the experience and knowledge of what a Cultural Resource Management Archaeologist does.” **Michella Rossi, Archaeology Intern**  
**Plumas National Forest**



**Gregory Eusebio**  
**Recreation Intern**  
**San Bernardino National Forest**

“The most exciting thing about my internship was meeting President Bush.”

**Jesse Gutierrez, Public Affairs Intern**  
**Shasta-Trinity National Forest**

“My internship showed me how to read construction plans and how to look for specifications. This was a great experience since I am studying engineering.”  
**Jorge Pompa, Civil Engineer Intern**  
**Tahoe National Forest**



## STUDENTS

Looking for a paid internship?

Students, if you are looking for employment where you gain valuable work experience, training, and leadership skills, our internships are for you. We offer positions in a variety of fields that span many majors.

## SUPERVISORS

Looking for student interns?

If you are looking for a bright and talented intern to work for you, let us find you that intern!



**Fire,  
Forestry,  
Engineering,  
Business,  
... and more!**

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## Northern California Consortium Mission Statement



The Northern California Consortium is an environmental education, outreach and recruitment program of the Forest Service designed to assist forests in establishing networks in Hispanic and other diverse communities. The program's three main components are: community, environmental education and employment.

The Northern California Consortium mission areas are to establish and strengthen relationships; raise awareness of public lands; encourage careers in natural resources; and provide job placement opportunities.

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