



# Think College

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## Think College in the Classroom

An eight session classroom program + college visit to help students learn how to attend college. Simulates the college application process through fun, hands-on games and activities.

## College Carnival

A lunchtime event that spreads college awareness through engaging students in carnival-like activities.

## Think College in the Home:

Two workshops to help caregivers support their children's goal of attending college. Includes information on how to get from middle school to college as well as how to finance a college education. Includes hands-on learning activities, didactic instruction and a panel of Spanish speaking college students and their caregivers sharing their experiences.

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## Think College in the Classroom Format

Session	Learning Activities
1. Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore interests/goals</li> </ul>
2. Motivational Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Listen to local college students/graduates talk about their journey to college</li> </ul>
3. Academic Road Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decorate and design an artistic road map based on interests, goals and a plan</li> </ul>
4. A-G requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Learn about and collect A-G required courses while progressing through an obstacle course</li> </ul>
5. Extra-curricular activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create a flyer about a favorite activity</li> </ul>
6. Personal Essay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Write a short essay on: "What makes me, me."</li> </ul>
7. SAT/ Financial Aid	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Play in-class "game-show" with questions related to: SATs, Financial Aid &amp; study skills</li> </ul>
8. College visit	Visit USC!

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