Native American High School students traveled to Washington State University on October 28–30 2016, to attend the EXCEL program that allows them to explore opportunities and resources available to them.

Twelve students from around the Northwest experienced the college atmosphere first-hand—boarding with a roommate, going to the cafeteria for lunches and dinners, all while attending different workshops that included: Athletic Training, Sports Management, Hospitality Business Management and Journalism.

They received the full WSU student experience of walking up and down the campus hills from one workshop to the next.

Dorian Kinley, 11th grader at Ferndale High School, said, “I really enjoyed the hospitality workshop because I thought it was interesting that there was so many different ways to prepare a certain dish, and that hospitality isn’t just involving hotels.”

Adam LaFountain, senior at Tigard High School in Oregon, said he enjoyed, “the Biological Chemistry Lab Exploration because it was a really hands on experience and it gave me the chance to explore the lab.”

Overall the participants seemed to have enjoyed their stay at Washington State University, and were able to learn about a variety of majors.