



# WASHINGTON STATE MULTICULTURAL STUDENT SERVICES DIRECTORS' COUNCIL

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Dear MSSDC members, SBCTC, DEOC, WSSSC, students, and community:

The Multicultural Student Services Directors Council (MSSDC) initiated and has facilitated the Students of Color Conference (SOCC) for over 30 years. We truly understand the significance and value that it brings to our students and community members. After careful consideration and a re-evaluation of our capacity this year to deliver SOCC, we write to inform you that we have collectively decided to cancel the event scheduled for April 2023 in Yakima, WA.

MSSDC is encountering severe limitations including capacity and financial constraints that currently preclude us from effectively launching a statewide event of such great magnitude. We have decided to take this next year to reconvene and to reposition our council re-centering our efforts and strengths to develop a plan and structure for the future and sustainability of the conference. We are excited and confident that this moment of reflection and reimagination will provide us with the opportunity to work collectively to continue with the 33-year legacy of the SOCC, thus reaffirming our commitment and values to our cherished colleagues, our communities, and more importantly to our students.

We invite stakeholders to join us and actively participate in our efforts and with your support we look forward to hosting SOCC in 2024. Communication will be forthcoming with more details as to how you can be involved and support our Council.

In Solidarity,

MSSDC